

Charity Registration No. 1184841

Company Registration No. 11063630 (England and Wales)

BELMONT EXETER
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020. Following an earlier decision by the trustees, the charity changed its legal structure from an unincorporated trust to a company limited by guarantee. The majority of assets and liabilities of the unincorporated charity were transferred into the incorporated charity on 1 January 2020, the only asset remaining being the lease on part of the property, which was transferred later in the year. As this is the first year of operations as an incorporated charity only the 2020 figures are included in these financial statements.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)".

Objectives and activities

The objectives of the trust as set out in the Memorandum and Articles are:

The propagation of the Christian faith through the presentation of the Christian message and the running of services and other events in the locality of Western Way, Exeter. These events are open to the public and people are invited to attend

The practice of the Christian faith both at the building, throughout the area by the individual Christians, and further afield by the support for mission partners.

To provide facilities for social welfare of people who have need by reason of youth, poverty, social or economic circumstances.

The relief of hardship, poverty, loneliness through Christian service in our own community and further afield as deemed appropriate by the trustees.

The trust provides staff, funding and buildings to be used for the advancement of these objectives. The trust ensures that the church using the facilities has beliefs which are those specified in the deed.

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

The following are an example of our activities which are open to all:

- Toddler groups across the week with over 180 registered children attending with parent / carer
- Group for new-borns and their parents
- Basic English language tuition and information café supporting people who have limited English language ability
- Weekly activity for older people from the community, including games, trips out, quizzes, conversation, a meal. Often these older people will be visited personally on other occasions
- Courses to support marriages
- Christian worship accessible to all ages
- Support of a refugee resettlement programme
- Courses and events for those exploring the Christian faith
- Local groups for people to develop in their Christian faith and be encouraged to serve neighbours, workplaces, and community either individually or through serving in other groups

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The church aims to share the good news of Christianity ('Share the Story') and equip people to become more Christ-like ('Live the Life').

Our strategy to do this is to demonstrate the good news of Christianity in our actions and activities, to provide opportunities for encounter with Christians, and to explore further the claims of Christianity.

We teach, train, equip and encourage those who are followers of the Lord Jesus Christ. We provide opportunities for people to develop and utilize their abilities, gifts and resources in the service of the Lord Jesus and his command to go to all peoples with his gospel.

We provide staff and facilities for the church to use to advance these objectives. The *trust* regularly reviews its staffing levels and plans, and when finances permit, to increase its activities and consider staff appointments in areas which require more time than is available from volunteer commitments.

In 2020, the spread of the coronavirus pandemic across the world transformed the ways in which the church could fulfill these objectives. However, whilst unable to gather in groups for much of the year, substantial and effective work has been done. Some highlights are listed below.

Achievements and Performance

The announcement of lockdown measures on 23rd March 2020 had a huge and immediate impact on the charity, the church and its activities. We committed a significant amount of resources to online provision for activities, connected with people through our small groups and other group activities. Our staff team immediately moved to work from home, and the support team ensured the buildings were secure. We encouraged as many as were able to help out in local communities. It has been a demanding year in which we have seen a wonderful response of grace equipped by the Holy Spirit.

Significant Activities during the Year

Migration of Sunday services to online provision with access enabled for those without internet connection

Weekly contact with all members of the Third Age community throughout the year

Recruitment induction and support of 2 Contact Workers serving a wide variety of groups in the church and the community.

Recruitment of a new office administrator to provide admin and communications support.

Recruitment of Pastoral Care Coordinator to lead the Care Team and provide extra resource to respond to pressures from COVID-19

Established a communication ministry team with a new (volunteer) team leader

In-Person activities recommenced in the autumn following government guidelines.

Launch of Alpha series online to provide opportunity discussion of Christian faith for enquirers

Increased support for local schools through online mentoring and in-school visits where permitted

Home Groups operating in an online environment. We have 25 home groups operating across the city as people engage in learning about and practicing their faith in daily life.

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Other ongoing activities

Our Sunday services are attended by people across all ages. This has continued in our online format. We pre-record a service for broadcast via YouTube. This premiere is supported by an online welcome team and other media to enable connection and follow up. There are also video meeting formats provided for greater interaction in prayer. The evening service is operating in a video conference environment.

The services continue to be open to all people. They are an opportunity to present and demonstrate to the gospel, encouraging any who do not believe to consider the claims of Christ. Our services include times of sung worship, learning from God's word, praying for others. We have included many more personal stories as a result of being able to include video format. People have been encouraged to serve in their local community throughout the series of lockdowns.

Our theme for 2020 was 'Follow Me into the World', the third phase of our three year sequence about discipleship. The emphasis is to be making a difference in our communities near and far.

Our work with older people is well supported with a group of about 50 people meeting on Tuesdays. During the pandemic this group has been connected by phone calls and visits. The team running the group have met online every week to pray for those they are in contact with. The team produced a Christmas DVD and gift box for each person. These were delivered personally.

The church depends on every member's active involvement in the life of the church. Volunteers provide skills and time to enable the activities to be done in support of the objects of the charity. The voluntary workers are all church members. Voluntary workers carry out their tasks in a variety of ways. Some teach, some preach, some carry out financial and administrative work for the church, others do manual/skilled work to maintain the buildings and provide technical or professional expertise. This is a significant amount of time for which we are very grateful.

Achievements and performance

Our **Contact Worker** programme has been running for 20+ years. Contact Workers, (generally younger people, who come for a specified period and financially support themselves) undertake a range of activities and receive theological and other training. This is for approximately 20 hours per week. For the other half of their working week they find employment in the local community. The teams have varied in number of participants each year. Esther Awcock was the only contact worker for 2019/20 and responded with grace, energy and creativity when in-person activities stopped. Her contribution to the support of young families and third age ministries is greatly appreciated. In 2020/21 there are two contact workers, Alena Lüling and Louisa Collier who have worked within the constraint of lockdown, and made a huge contribution to the activities and session content through the latter part of 2020 and into 2021.

Gemma Cain follows on her role as SWYM Trainee to study for a BA in Applied Theology and working on placement at Belmont. Gemma has worked closely with Jon Hancock (Youth Work Leader) in groups and in schools to support young people through the pandemic.

We employ staff in roles where particular or dedicated expertise is needed to develop and support ministry activity and leadership in the church.

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The staff employed (part or full time) in the year 2020 were:

Amy Davis as Family Support worker	
Karen Fulls as Office Administrator	(started October 2020)
Nick Goldsworthy* as Teaching and Programme Leader	
Jon Hancock as Youth Work Leader	
Jenny Hudson as Students and Young Adults Team Leader	
Clive Hughes* as Church Manager	
Gill Marsden-Fegan as Administrator	(stepped down in June 2020)
Rachel Morris as Young Families Team Leader	
Laura Rawson as Pastoral Care Coordinator	(started November 2020)
Simon Richards* as Ministry Development Leader (1115)	(on sabbatical from November 2020)

Note: * = members of Leadership Team. The current staff compromises 7.3FTE, head count 9.

All staff have supervision arrangements for day to day working, and can also access professional counselling supervision where this is relevant to the work undertaken.

Buildings- Health and Safety:

The church buildings are all used extensively by church members and others. The trustees are pleased to report again that there have been no serious accidents during this year requiring reporting under RIDDOR.

The church is attended by several medical professionals as well as staff and key volunteers who, having received first aid training, are normally first call for any incidents.

The most recent inspection of our main kitchen was carried out in March 2019 when our Food Hygiene rating remained at '5'.

The conditions of the premises are under constant review by the maintenance team and remedial work carried out as soon as is practicable.

As lockdown restrictions were eased in the summer and autumn, the Support Team provided procedures and resources to enable meetings and services to take place within the government guidelines.

Buildings- Works:

The trust has the power to maintain the original chapel buildings which are subject to the building trust known as 'Belmont Chapel Trust Deed' and Registered by the Registrar General (No:65399). The chapel buildings are freehold and held by the building trust.

As in previous years, volunteers from within the church have done work for the trust during the current year, although there have been fewer projects, there has been extensive work in good building maintenance whilst not in use. The trustees are very grateful for their help. The trustees are very appreciative of the major amount of time, effort and expertise contributed by the members in cleaning and maintaining the fabric and technical equipment in the building.

Whilst the building has not been used the team have taken opportunity to carry out some maintenance tasks. There is a rolling programme of maintenance to ensure the buildings are suitable for the ministry needs of the church. Larger developments are considered as part of the annual planning activity undertaken by the Ministry Teams and the Leadership Team.

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Financial review

The church is dependent up on the generous financial giving of individuals attend. We are grateful for this faithful and sacrificial act of discipleship. When the pandemic measures came into effect we revised out budgets to reflect a prudent approach to income. Income ceased from hiring the building out for use by other groups. Remarkably the regular giving of the church has continued at previous levels with some extraordinary gifts given for specific support in response to COVID-19. A hardship fund is in place which is overseen by a trustees and 2 members of the leadership team. Congregation members who may need short term financial assistance are encouraged to access this fund in confidence.

The finances are constantly under review so that appropriate action can be considered should there be any significant changes in income or expenditure. The aim of the church is to keep people informed with regard to financial needs through regular updates at the church meeting, appealing for increased giving when necessary. A budget has been submitted for 2021.

The buildings are provided primarily for use by the church and not as an investment for the trust. Where it is necessary to hold large sums of money, such as reserves for contingency and specific projects, the maximum balance in any financial organisation should not exceed £85,000.

The Trustees have adopted the following definition and policy definitions in respect of reserves.

"Reserves" are the resources of the trust that it has or can make available to spend for all or any of the trust's purposes once it has met its commitments and covered its other planned expenditure.

The Trust shall retain reserves to provide for 3 months contractual costs i.e. salaries and other contractual long-term commitments. Any surplus to this which is not part of planned income and expenditure is 'free reserves'.

If there were an unplanned deficit then appropriate cutbacks would be explored to ensure that the expenditure did not run ahead of income, or there would be an appeal to the church to reconsider their level of giving, taken over the accounting period as a whole. If there were a surplus of income over budgeted income then the surplus would be used in providing further activities for the church, initiating ministry projects, or specific larger scale replacements or renewals or in any other way that was considered appropriate at the time. On 31 December 2020, the trust held £1,133,194 in general funds including Fixed Assets.

As at 31 December 2020 the net current asset reserves (i.e. these reserves not represented by fixed assets) of the charity stood at £232,970 and were split as follows:

Contingency (3 months salaries & contracts)	57,900
Free reserves	175,070

As part of our participation in the wider mission of the Christian church we make donations to others in support of their activity. Gifts are made to three main classes of recipients:

Firstly, to charitable organisations with objects similar to those of the trust; second to those individuals who are missionaries or retired missionaries from the Church; and third to church members on short term missions at home or abroad to assist with their expenses. Exceptionally, other grants may be made to individuals in appropriate circumstances. Grants are considered at the beginning of each year by the Church leadership team. The team recommend to the trustees the intended recipients and the amount of each grant, and the grants are thereafter made throughout the year. This policy is reconsidered annually. The list of beneficiaries in 2020 is included in the notes to the financial accounts

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Compliance

Child protection:

The Safeguarding procedures have been working well during the year. The trust subscribes to 'thirtyone:eight', formerly CCPAS (Churches Child Protection Advisory Service), through which it processes DBS checks for all staff and volunteers working with Young people and vulnerable adults. 'thirtyone:eight' are also a point of reference for child protection issues and provide assistance and guidance for safeguarding policies. The procedures employed by the trust are considered appropriate and proportionate and are now generally accepted and have become part of the culture of the church. 'The Safeguarding Policy', formerly 'The Churches Child Protection Policy' was reviewed and issued in its new form during 2018. A further review/ update will be due 2021.

Data Protection

The trust is registered under the Data Protection Act 1998 number Z742023X. The trust and church database is now held within 'Churchsuite' and updated by authorised staff & volunteers. Individuals are able to gain access to check and update their own personal details through conventional IT channels, and also use its facilities to contact others who have given permission for their details to be held on the database.

Compliance

All the buildings owned and controlled by the trust are registered with the Registrar General. The registration numbers are for solemnisation of marriages: 31733 and under the Places of Worship Registration Act 1855: 65399.

The trust, which deals with the funds, is registered with the Charity Commission, and the accounts for last year (and the other documents required) were lodged with the Commission. Copies of the accounts and reports of the trustees and independent examiners are made available to church members and others on request. The accounts for the year under review have been independently examined. The present building trust does not need to be registered with the Commission because it is already registered under the 1855 Act.

The church has the necessary copyright licences to permit musical performance and the use of words and music related to songs, and the playing of recorded music and video images.

Risks

The trustees have in respect of the year ending 31 December 2020:

- given consideration to the major risks to which the trust is exposed and systems designed to mitigate those risks and;
- certified that the major risks to which the trust is exposed, as identified by the trustees, have been reviewed and that systems have been established to mitigate those risks.

The trustees recognize the following key risks to the ability of the church to continue to achieve its objectives:

- **False Teaching:** teaching which diverges from the Evangelical Alliance statement of faith would lead people away from serving the Lord Jesus Christ. There are team structures and feedback mechanisms to oversee those who provide Sunday teaching.
- **Division:** A significant split within the fellowship would severely impact upon the number of volunteers and potentially, the financial support. Team working, frequent and open communication provides the way by which differing views can be heard. We have a policy of 'living with difference' to help us to accept and honour those who see things differently.
- **Safeguarding:** Abuse of any kind would have a serious impact on the reputation of the church and its witness in the community (aside from the impact on individuals concerned). We regularly review our safeguarding policy. We provide training to those who work with children and vulnerable adult groups.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

Structure, governance and management

The name of the charity is Belmont Exeter.

The governing documents are the trust deed dated 14th November 2017. The charity is registered with the Charity Commissioners and the registration number is 1184841, and with Companies House, registration number 11063630. The trust uses three working titles: "Belmont Exeter", "Belmont Chapel" and "Belmont".

The address of the principal office of the charity is Belmont Chapel, Western Way, Exeter, Devon, EX1 2DB.

The bankers are CAF Bank and Lloyds Bank, and the independent examiner, Simpkins Edwards LLP, Chartered Accountants, Michael House, Castle Street, Exeter EX4 3LQ. Solicitors are appointed as required.

The trustees may invest in any investments authorised by law for trust funds, in respect of the redemption of loans or mortgages or the repair or maintenance of Belmont Chapel building. The trustees may also deposit money in building societies and trustee savings banks in the UK or any bank in England.

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

D Northcote-Passmore

C Naish

J Airdrie

A Heron

D Knowles

J Luckham

P Phillips

H Stevens

I White

P Winfield

Treasurer: Clive Hughes (Church Manager)

Trustees are appointed in accordance with governing documents. In practice the serving trustees appoint new trustees by resolution at a meeting at which the quorum, for that purpose, is 6.

New trustees are invited to attend a meeting to meet the existing trustees and to discuss their appointment.

The following documents are provided to assist in their new role as trustees:

- a) The Charity Commission Publication "The Essential Trustee - What you Need to Know".
- b) A copy of the Trust Deed.
- c) A copy of the last financial statements.
- d) A copy of the last minutes.

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Conclusion

The trustees are pleased to report that the trust continues to meet its long term objectives, and has made significant progress in fulfilling its objectives in 2020 in the face of significant global challenges. The trustees are looking forward, if the Lord wills, to 2021 as we continue to serve our community and proclaim the good news of hope.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



D Northcote-Passmore

Trustee

Dated: **13 June 2021**

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

The trustees, who are also the directors of Belmont Exeter for the purpose of company law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company Law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that year.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF BELMONT EXETER

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Belmont Exeter (the charity) for the year ended 31 December 2020.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the charity are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). 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

Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of The Institute of Chartered Accountants England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- 4 the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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 financial statements to be reached.


Simpkins Edwards LLP

Michael House
Castle Street
Exeter
Devon
EX4 3LQ

Dated:



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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2020 £
<u>Income from:</u>		
Donations and legacies	2	392,695
Charitable activities	3	3,232
Other trading activities	4	4,956
Investments	5	749
Total income		401,632
<u>Expenditure on:</u>		
Charitable activities	6	387,987
Other Expenditure	8	14,306
Total resources expended		402,293
Net expenditure for the year/ Net movement in funds		(661)
Fund balances at 1 January 2020		1,133,855
Fund balances at 31 December 2020		1,133,194

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Notes	2020 £	£
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	11		900,224
Current assets			
Debtors	12	18,661	
Cash at bank and in hand		227,726	
		<u>246,387</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	13	<u>(13,417)</u>	
Net current assets			232,970
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>1,133,194</u>
Income funds			
Unrestricted funds			1,133,194
			<u>1,133,194</u>

The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 December 2020.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the charity keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Act and for preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

The Directors have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 13 June 2021



D Northcote-Passmore
Trustee

Company Registration No. 11063630

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Belmont Exeter is a public benefit entity and a registered charity in England and Wales, and is incorporated, being a company limited by guarantee. The address of the principal office is Chair of Trustees, Western Way, Exeter, EX1 2DB.

Following an earlier decision by the trustees, the charity changed its legal structure from an unincorporated trust to a company limited by guarantee. The majority of assets and liabilities of the unincorporated charity were transferred into the incorporated charity on 1 January 2020, the only asset remaining being the lease on part of the property, which was transferred later in the year. As this is the first year of operations as an incorporated charity only the 2020 figures are included in these financial statements.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the charity.

1.4 Income

All income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- Voluntary income is received by way of offerings, donations, gifts and legacies and is included in full in the Statement of Financial Activities when receivable.
- Investment income is included when receivable.
- Other income is included when receivable.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates:

- Costs of generating funds comprise the costs associated with attracting voluntary income.
- Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries.
- Other costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity.
- All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories of the SOFA on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resources. Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly and others are apportioned on an appropriate basis.
- Grants are considered at the beginning of each year by the Church leadership team. The team recommend to the trustees the intended recipients and the amount of each grant, and the grants are thereafter made throughout the year. This policy is reconsidered annually. Further details and grants payable may be found in Note 9.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses. Assets transferred from the unincorporated charity have been transferred at their initial cost.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Leasehold land and buildings	Over 50 and 15 years straight line
Plant and equipment	Over 3 and 5 years straight line
Lease	Over 125, 15 and 10 years straight line

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year.

1.7 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.8 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

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1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.9 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

2 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds
	2020 £
Donations and gifts	62,092
Legacies receivable	14,000
Gift Aid recoverable	61,641
Gift Aid donations	254,962
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	392,695
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3 Charitable activities

	Charitable Income 2020 £
Third age	1,251
Special events	410
Youth work	91
Young families	1,480
	<u>3,232</u>

4 Other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds 2020 £
Income from buildings	4,800
Miscellaneous income	156
	<u>4,956</u>

5 Investments

	Unrestricted funds 2020 £
Interest receivable	<u>749</u>

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6 Charitable activities

	Charitable Expenditure 2020 £
Staff costs	197,648
Depreciation and impairment	56,468
Child protection	291
Sunday program	9,822
Literature and resources	2,210
Care support and fellowship team	3,494
Training	10,800
Third age	1,484
Special events	529
Young adults	402
Under eighteens	1,942
Young families	2,774
Electricity	3,991
Gas	3,766
Water	1,283
Insurance	5,288
Repairs and renewals	15,214
General running costs	658
Computer costs	1,657
Printing and stationery	593
Telephone	1,871
Copyright	2,037
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	324,222
Grant funding of activities (see note 7)	63,765
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	387,987
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7 Grants payable

	Charitable Expenditure 2020 £
Grants to institutions:	
Devon and Exeter Manna House	650
Tear Fund	2,000
France Mission	2,500
Exeter ICE Charitable Trust	5,000
CTAX (Christians together across Exeter)	600
Evangelical Alliance	1,000
ECU	3,000
Rainbow Living	2,500
Devon United Missionary Offering	650
UCCF: In support of General Funds	2,000
Urban Saints	1,000
YMCA Exeter	2,000
Partnership (UK) Ltd	1,000
Devon Christian Youth Camps	650
Friends International	2,750
Scripture Union	225
A Rocha UK	500
Operation Mobilisation	20,040
Bernard's Acre	1,500
Asifunde Sanke	2,000
Exeter Food Bank	1,500
Crossline Soup Kitchen	750
SWYM	1,000
Sundry small gifts	2,950
	<hr/> 57,765
Grants to individuals:	
Grants to individuals for long term mission:	<hr/> 6,000
Collections and donations received for specific purposes:	
St Petrocks	155
K4C Pennies	69
Exeter ICE Charitable Trust	155
Take off Pennies	10
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The above collections and donations have been made by members of the congregation with a view to the monies collected being passed onto the organisations concerned by Belmont Chapel.

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8 Other Expenditure

	Unrestricted funds
	2020
	£
Wages and National Insurance costs	6,198
Staff pension	5,725
Printing and stationary	20
Legal costs	863
Independent examination	1,500
	<u>14,306</u>

9 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

The only expenses reimbursed are for purchases made on behalf of the Charity.

10 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2020 Number
	<u>9</u>
Employment costs	2020
	£
Wages and salaries	185,133
Social security costs	12,515
	<u>197,648</u>

The charity contributes to a defined contribution pension on behalf of its staff.

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11 Tangible fixed assets

	Leasehold land and buildings	Plant and equipment	Lease	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost				
Transferred from unincorporated charity	1,594,954	324,972	75,432	1,995,358
Additions	-	9,114	-	9,114
At 31 December 2020	1,594,954	334,086	75,432	2,004,472
Depreciation and impairment				
Transferred from unincorporated charity	742,746	288,617	16,417	1,047,780
Depreciation charged in the year	31,902	21,455	3,111	56,468
At 31 December 2020	774,648	310,072	19,528	1,104,248
Carrying amount				
At 31 December 2020	820,306	24,014	55,904	900,224

There is no value recorded in these financial statements relating to the purchase of the original church buildings, known as the North Wing.

12 Debtors

	2020 £
Amounts falling due within one year:	
Other debtors	18,661

13 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2020 £
Other taxation and social security	5,096
Trade creditors	4,479
Other creditors	1,490
Accruals and deferred income	2,352
	13,417

14 Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions during the year apart from the trustees continued offerings towards the mission at Belmont Chapel. In the year ended 31 December 2020 these totalled £16,225 (2019: £23,130 in the previous charity).

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15 Change in registration status

On 17 December 2019 the Charity Commission authorised a transfer of the assets and liabilities of the old, unincorporated charity (number 1079412), to a new incorporated charity (number 1184811). The transfer was effected on 31 December 2019, the end of the old charity's most recent accounting period. As this is the first year of operations as an incorporated entity, there are no comparative figures, which may be found in the 2020 financial statements of the unincorporated charity.