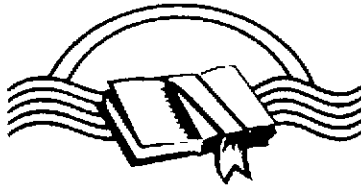


Charity registration number 1185274



NEW STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

22, New Street, St Neots, Cambridgeshire, PE19 1AE

Trustees' Report and Accounts 2020

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

New Street Baptist Church ("the church") was registered with the Charity Commission as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation ("CIO") on 12 September 2019 with registration number 1185274.

The trustees' first report covers the period from 12 September 2019 to 31 December 2020.

Aim and objectives

The church's aim is to serve as the body of Christ to extend the Kingdom of God and glorify his Name. In pursuing this aim its objectives are to:

- Worship and pray
- Evangelise at home and abroad
- Nurture Christians
- Unify the membership
- Encourage and equip the congregation for Christian service
- Give pastoral care
- Support social action at home and abroad

Activities and finances

The CIO was formed to take over the activities of an unregistered charitable unincorporated association ("the CUA" or "the unregistered charity"), also known as New Street Baptist Church. The trustees of both organisations sought permission from the Charity Commission to transfer the assets and liabilities of the CUA to the new CIO. This permission was obtained on 25 August 2020 and the transfer took place on 31 December 2020, the last day of the CIO's financial period. The CIO therefore did not have any financial activities to be reported in these accounts other than the transfer of funds from the CUA.

The receipts and payments account of the CIO shows the transfer of the bank balance of £46,752 from the CUA on the last day of the financial period. The balance sheet as at 31 December 2020 also shows other assets for church use with an original cost of £152,296 taken over from the CUA, along with a liability of £232 for a utility bill.

The trustees are aware of their duty to have regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and confirm that they have complied with such guidance where relevant to the exercise of their responsibilities.

The church building at 22 New Street, St Neots, Cambridgeshire and adjoining manse are owned by a separate premises trust of which the trustee is Grace Baptist Trust Corporation.

Trustees

The first trustees, all of whom were appointed on 12 September 2019 and who served throughout the period, except as stated, are as follows:

Daniel Coulling

Church Secretary

Irene Crawford

Malcolm Crawford

Church Treasurer

June Hawkins (resigned 13 January 2020)

Peter Hawkins (resigned 8 March 2021)

Judith Single

Steven Todd

David Williams (resigned 26 November 2019)

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued)

Subsequent trustee appointments:

Richard Williams (appointed 30 September 2019)
Ann Broughton (appointed 13 January 2020)

Pastor

Structure and governance

The church has adopted a constitution supplemented by a church handbook, both of which were approved by members of the charitable unincorporated association immediately prior to the registration of the new CIO. The Charity Commission approved the constitution on 12 September 2019.

The church is served by three officers appointed or elected by the members, namely, the pastor, the church treasurer and the church secretary. The officers are assisted in various aspects of church life and administration by a number of specific interest groups, each of which has a group leader, who is also a trustee. The groups currently cover the following areas:

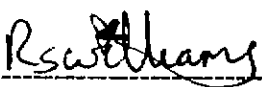
- Evangelism
- Fellowship
- Children and youth
- Social and community action
- Property

Reserves policy

The church's policy is to hold unrestricted funds equivalent to around three months' income in order to mitigate the impact of any unforeseen drop in income.

The church also aims to build up funds designated for future major building improvements and for periodic redecoration of the manse.

Approved by the trustees of New Street Baptist Church and signed on their behalf by:



Richard Williams Pastor

Date 06.09.2021

**Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of New Street Baptist Church,
St Neots, Cambridgeshire (charity registration number 1185274)**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of New Street Baptist Church (CIO) for the period ended 31 December 2020 which are set out on pages 4 to 5.

Respective responsibilities of the trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Charities Act'). The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently, no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair" view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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 which give me cause to believe that, in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept as required by section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting 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.



John Molyneux, FCA
27 Lannesbury Crescent
St Neots
Cambridgeshire
PE19 6AG

Date ... 8 September 2021

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS FOR THE PERIOD FROM 12 SEPTEMBER 2019

TO 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total 2020 £
Net Receipts (Payments) for Period	-	-	-	-
Bank and Cash Balances at beginning of Period	-	-	-	-
Transfer from New Street Baptist Church (unregistered charity)	48,752	-	-	48,752
Bank and Cash Balances at end of Period	<u>48,752</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>48,752</u>

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total 2020 £
Bank and Cash Balances at end of Period					
Bank accounts		46,752	-	-	46,752
Cash balances		-	-	-	-
	1	<u>46,752</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>46,752</u>
Other Monetary Assets					
		-	-	-	-
Investment Assets					
		-	-	-	-
Assets retained for Church use	2	<u>152,298</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>152,298</u>
Liabilities	3	<u>232</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>232</u>

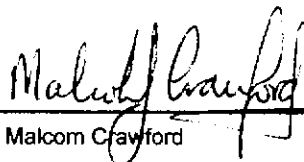
The notes on page 6 form part of these accounts.

The accounts on pages 4 to 6 were approved by the trustees on 6th September 2021



Richard Williams

Pastor



Malcolm Crawford

Church Treasurer

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NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

1. Designated Funds

Designated funds form part of the church's unrestricted funds.

Movements on designated funds during period:

	Building fund £	Manse redecorations £	Total 2020 £
At 12 September 2019	-	-	-
Transfer from New Street Baptist Church (unregistered charity)	21,194	3,300	24,494
At 31 December 2020	<u>21,194</u>	<u>3,300</u>	<u>24,494</u>

2. Assets retained for Church use

Movements on tangible fixed assets during period:

	Building improvements £	Furniture & equipment £	Total 2020 £
At cost - 12 September 2019	-	-	-
Transfer from New Street Baptist Church (unregistered charity)	122,926	29,371	152,296
At cost - 31 December 2020	<u>122,926</u>	<u>29,371</u>	<u>152,296</u>

The assets transferred from the unregistered charity (New Street Baptist Church) relate to refurbishment of part of the church building. The unregistered charity has acknowledged a grant from the Amey Community Fund (part of the Landfill Communities Fund) in 2020 which has contributed to the cost of the refurbishment project. The new CIO has taken over responsibility for ensuring that the grant conditions regarding availability of the facilities continue to be met.

Amey Community Fund has confirmed that the conditions on availability of the facilities will not be applied whilst the facilities have been closed under government Covid 19 lockdown restrictions.

The church building in New Street, St Neots, Cambridgeshire and the adjoining manse are owned by a separate trust of which the trustee is Grace Baptist Trust Corporation. Both buildings will be available for use by the CIO in 2021.

3. Liabilities

Liabilities at 31 December 2020 comprise:

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total 2020 £
Tax and pension	-	-	-	-
Other creditors	232	-	-	232
	<u>232</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>232</u>