

THE FURTHER FASTER NETWORK

England & Wales · Charity number 1186278

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2019-11-11

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECT OF THE CIO IS THE ADVANCEMENT OF RELIGIOUS BELIEF FOR THE PUBLIC GOOD, IN PARTICULAR BY HELPING TO CREATE CHURCHES UNCHURCHED PEOPLE LOVE TO BE PART OF IN EVERY COMMUNITY. THE CIO WILL DO THIS BY ESTABLISHING A NETWORK OF FOUNDER PARTNER CHRISTIAN CHURCHES WHO ARE ALIGNED AROUND THIS OBJECT, AND A PARTNER NETWORK OF AUTONOMOUS CHRISTIAN CHURCHES FOCUSED ON REACHING UNCHURCHED PEOPLE AND HELPING EACH OTHER GO FURTHER FASTER. THE CIO MAY ALSO ENGAGE IN OTHER ACTIVITIES TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH AS AGREED BY THE BOARD FROM TIME TO TIME.

Activities: The Further Faster Network meets its charitable purpose primarily by offering coaching, community and content for the leaders of churches who want to grow their churches by creating churches that unchurched people love to attend.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies

Geography

- Ireland
- Northern Ireland
- Scotland
- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£164,691	£176,464	-	-
2023-12-31	£205,334	£116,862	-	-
2022-12-31	£87,044	£75,510	-	-
2021-12-31	£61,739	£46,381	-	-
2020-12-31	£57,521	£35,951	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
JAMES ANTHONY GALLAGHER	Chair	2019-11-11
Jonathan Jamie Corcoran		2023-05-17
NEIL CHARLES SERJEANT		2025-06-25
Rachel Barbara Roberts		2025-06-25
Ronald Lane Jones		2019-11-11

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

		Period start date			Period end date		
From	Day	Month	Year	To	Day	Month	Year
	01	Jan	2024		31	Dec	2024

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address

The Old Chapel	
Forward Green	
Stowmarket	
Postcode	IP14 5HP

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	James Gallagher	Chair		
2	Leon Evans			
3	Christopher Porter			
4	Christopher Simpkins			
5	Stephen Fenning			
6	Lane Jones			
7	Jonathan Corcoran		Appointed 17 May 2023	
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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

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Duncan Banks, Managing Director

Section B Structure, governance and management

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The charity is grateful to its trustees and other volunteers for their tireless efforts to establish and grow the charity in fulfilment of its objectives. The active engagement of the trustees in the day-to-day operation of the charity is part of its healthy ethos. Other volunteers provide essential support in the areas of planning, finance, HR and compliance.

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
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- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

A further 18 churches were added to the Network, bringing the total to 43 churches. This is ahead of the growth target in the strategic plan approved by the trustees in 2022. This success has encouraged the Network to develop and seek funding for an enhanced business plan for more rapid growth.

Continued growth has continued to stretch the employed staff and the time commitment that trustees can reasonably make voluntarily. Consequently, the trustees strengthened further strengthened the staff team in 2024. The Managing Director is now employed full-time and the Full Time Equivalent employees rose from 2.1 in 2023 to 2.7 in 2024.

The enhanced business plan sees the Network growing to around 100 churches in the UK and Ireland by the end of 2029 and includes further expansion and reorganisation of the staff team to facilitate a regional approach without loss of central control.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Trustees have agreed that reserves should be adequate to meet the charity's contractual commitments in the event of it ceasing to trade, estimated as 3 months' normal running costs. At 31 December 2024 the charity reported reserves of over £140,000; 3 months' running costs in 2024 amounted to about £44,000. The trustees support this level of reserves as they look to invest in order to grow the charity further in 2025 and beyond.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

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.

The charity's receipts in the period were just over £164K, a decrease of £41K on 2023. The reduction in income is due to a one-off donation of £50K in 2023 which is not expected to recur, partially offset by a growth in subscription income as the Network has grown.

The charity made payments in 2024 totalling over £176K, about £60K more than 2023. The increase in expenditure was driven by planned increases in the staff team and holding conferences in the UK and in Ireland. Both are deemed by the board as crucial drivers of growth. Growth in staff has enabled the Network to sustain strong relationships with the leadership of member churches and conferences have stimulated growth in membership of the Network.

The reported deficit of £12K is in line with the charity's business plans.

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)	James Gallagher	Neil Serjeant
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair of Trustees	Secretary, Trustee
Date	October 2025	



Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01-Jan-24	To	31-Dec-24
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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					
			0	0	0
Subscriptions from Founder Members	34,962		0	34,962	34,255
Subscriptions from Other Members	54,864		0	54,864	35,754
Donations from North Point Ministries	46,437			46,437	51,437
Church to Church Income	11,902		0	11,902	23,910
Donations Received	0		0	0	52,735
Grant Income	0			0	0
Event Income	11,945		0	11,945	4,646
Miscellaneous Income	630		0	630	171
Interest Income	3,951		0	3,951	2,426
				0	0
				0	0
				0	0
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	164,691	0	0	164,691	205,334
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0
Sub total	0	0	0	0	0
Total receipts	164,691	0	0	164,691	205,334
A3 Payments					
Activities			0		
Digital & Web	200		0	200	481
Equipment	1,546		0	1,546	0
Miscellaneous	2,116		0	2,116	318
Professional Fees & Subscriptions	18,912		0	18,912	7,274
Travel & Subsistence	19,884		0	19,884	19,147
Church to Church Disbursements made	4,896		0	4,896	0
				0	
People				0	
Contractors	17,792			17,792	10,503
Salaries and National Insurance Contributions	85,974			85,974	65,736
Pensions	5,723			5,723	7,896
				0	
Events	19,422		0	19,422	5,506
				0	0
Trustees' Expenses			0	0	0
				0	
				0	
				0	
				0	
				0	
				0	
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				0	
				0	
				0	
Sub total	176,464	0	0	176,464	116,862
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0
Sub total	0	0	0	0	0
Total payments	176,464	0	0	176,464	116,862
Net of receipts/(payments)	(11,773)	0	0	(11,773)	88,472
A5 Transfers between funds	0	0	0	0	0
A6 Cash funds last year end	152,339	0	0	152,339	63,867
Cash funds this year end	140,566	0	0	140,566	152,339

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £
B1 Cash funds	CAF Current Account	5,049		-
	CAF Gold Account	135,517		-
				-
	Total cash funds	140,566	0	-



Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01-Jan-24	To	31-Dec-24
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(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

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Unrestricted funds
to nearest £

Restricted funds
to nearest £

Endowment funds
to nearest £

B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

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 asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
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		-	-
		-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	James Gallagher	30-Oct-25

NOTES



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

The Further Faster Network

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 December 2024

**Charity no
(if any)**

1186278

Set out on pages

CC16a report (all pages)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the CIO") for the year ended 31/12/2024.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the CIO, 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 CIO's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 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 order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

31 October 2025

Name:

Magdalena Shotter of ATS Accounting & Tax Solutions Ltd

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of England and Wales (Membership number 2383366)

Address:

6 Corfield Close

Finchampstead, Wokingham, Berkshire

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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Signed:

Date:

28 October 2024

Name:

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01-Jan-23	To	31-Dec-23
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Section A Receipts and payments

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A1 Receipts					
Subscriptions from Founder Members	34,255		0	34,255	37,688
Subscriptions from Other Members	35,754		0	35,754	26,791
Donations from North Point Ministries	51,437		0	51,437	12,776
Beta Test Project	23,910		0	23,910	
Donations Received	52,735		0	52,735	3,121
Grant Income	0		0	0	
Event Income	4,646		0	4,646	5,173
Miscellaneous Income	171		0	171	1,300
Interest Income	2,426		0	2,426	195
				0	
				0	
				0	
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	205,334	0	0	205,334	87,044
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0
Sub total	0	0	0	0	0
Total receipts	205,334	0	0	205,334	87,044
A3 Payments					
Activities			0	0	0
Digital & Web	481		0	481	1,688
Equipment	0		0	0	96
Miscellaneous	318		0	318	286
Professional Fees & Subscriptions	7,274		0	7,274	4,790
Travel & Subsistence	19,147		0	19,147	5,516
				0	
People			0	0	
Consulting Fees	10,503			10,503	10,118
Salaries and National Insurance Contributions	65,736			65,736	32,187
Pensions	7,896			7,896	3,009
Events	5,506		0	5,506	17,527
				0	
Trustees' Expenses	0		0	0	293
				0	
				0	
				0	
				0	
				0	
				0	
Sub total	116,862	0	0	116,862	75,510
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0
Sub total	0	0	0	0	0
Total payments	116,862	0	0	116,862	75,510
Net of receipts/(payments)	88,472	0	0	88,472	11,534
A5 Transfers between funds	0	0	0	0	52,333
A6 Cash funds last year end	63,867	0	0	63,867	63,867
Cash funds this year end	152,339	0	0	152,339	63,867

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 £
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Receipts and payments accounts

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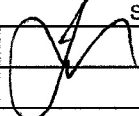
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Signature 	Print Name JAMES A CUNNINGHAM	Date of approval 21 Oct 24
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2023 was a year of continued re-building of momentum following the pandemic. A further 10 churches were added to the Network, bringing the total to 25 churches. This is ahead of the growth target in the strategic plan approved by the trustees in 2022.

Network growth was already stretching the employed staff – our managing director – and the time commitment that trustees can reasonably make voluntarily. Consequently, the trustees strengthened the staff team with several part-time appointments covering growth, onboarding, ministry area support, and administration.

The charity secured further funding from two sources to fuel further growth:

- USD 60,000/year for 3 years from the Irresistible Churches Network in the USA
- £50,000 from the Exodun Trust

The trustees have developed and are implementing a plan to grow the Network; this includes expanding the paid staff team and increasingly delegating operational responsibility to the staff team.

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The charity's receipts in the period were £205,334 and it made payments of £116,862, giving rise to a surplus of £88,472. The surplus in 2022 was £11,534.

Income growth was fuelled by additional funding from North Point Ministries (USD 60,000/year for 3 years) to accelerate the growth of the Network, and a £50,000 one-off donation from the Exodun Trust.

Subscriptions from member churches grew from £64,479 in 2022 to £70,009 in 2023, as the number of member churches grew during the year.

The Network also received donations of 23,910 from 3 churches in North America wishing to pilot partnering with churches in the UK and Ireland – the Beta Test Project. These donations were to the Network with a request that the Trustees use the funds to support the growth of 3 member churches (Lighthouse in Dublin, Andover Community Church and LifeCentral Church in Halesowen. Approximately £7,000 was spent in 2023 to support travel costs for delegates from these churches attending conferences and networking events in North America. The remainder is expected to be spent in 2024.

Expenditure increased from £75,510 in 2022 to £116,862 in 2023. Whilst the cost for events was lower in 2023 (the Network held smaller regional events rather than a single international conference), staff costs (contractor, salaries and associated travel and subsistence) increased significantly.

Average full time equivalent staff members grew from 1.0 FTE in 2022 to 2.1 in 2023.

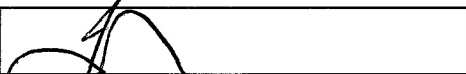
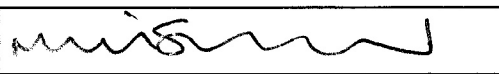
Section F

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)	James Gallagher	Neil Serjeant
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Secretary

Date

THE FURTHER FASTER NETWORK

England & Wales - Charity number 1186278

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 01	Month Jan	Year 2022		Day 31	Month Dec	Year 2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address

Postcode

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	James Gallagher	Chair		
2	Leon Evans			
3	Christopher Porter			
4	Christopher Simpkins			
5	Stephen Fenning			
6	Lane Jones			
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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

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Duncan Banks, Managing Director

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by the Trustees

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Further Faster Network is a charitable incorporated organisation first registered in November 2019. Its trustees and other volunteers are involved in the day-to-day running of the organisation. The organisation employs a director to take responsibility for the day-to-day activities of the network.

The charity is independent. However, it acknowledges and is grateful for the support of North Point Church in Atlanta, Georgia. North Point provides content that we make available within the network and provides financial support. Lane Jones from North Point serves as a trustee of the charity.

Section C

Objectives and activities

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

The charitable objects of The Network are to the advancement of religious belief for the public good, in particular by helping to create churches in every community that unchurched people love to be part of. The Network does this by establishing a network of founder partner Christian churches who are aligned around this object, and a partner network of autonomous Christian churches focused on reaching unchurched people and helping each other go further faster. The CIO may also engage in other activities to advance the Christian faith as agreed by the board from time to time.

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)

In considering and evaluating the activities of the charity, the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit. The charity seeks to deliver its charitable objects by providing coaching, community and content for like-minded church leaders from varying backgrounds.

- **Connection** includes coaching, conferences, workshops, webinars and calls.
- **Community:** we provide opportunities to build friendship and community with like-minded leaders through video calls and in-person at events for church leadership teams.
- Our **Content** includes sharing best ideas and materials including access to an ever-growing library of teaching material and assets, podcasts and training materials from both North Point Church in the USA and the member churches of the Further Faster Network.

2022 saw a gradual return to face-to-face meetings, culminating in a successful conference in Halesowen in June 2022 attended by over 300 delegates from across the UK and Ireland. The conference generated significant interest in the charity, and we were pleased to welcome 10 churches to a trial year's membership with the network.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

The charity is grateful to its trustees and other volunteers for their tireless efforts to establish and grow the charity in fulfilment of its objectives. The active engagement of the trustees in the day-to-day operation of the charity is part of its healthy ethos.

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The charity grew. The five founder-member churches continue their active involvement. Of the 7 churches which took out trial membership, 6 have continued to full membership. The leaders of these churches now play an integral role in shaping the charity for the future, reaching out to other potential members and ensuring the charity delivers its charitable purpose. Following the June conference a further 10 churches have subscribed for a trial year with the Network.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity has yet to adopt a formal reserves policy. The Trustees have agreed that reserves should be adequate to meet the charity's contractual commitments in the event of it ceasing to trade. At 31 December 2022 the charity reported reserves of almost £64,000. The trustees support this level of reserves as they look to expand the charity further in 2023.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

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.

The charity's receipts in the period were £87,044 and it made payments of £75,510, giving rise to a surplus of £11,534. The surplus in 2021 was £15,359.

Income growth was fuelled by trial partners becoming full partners and paying subscriptions at the full rate, and by the 10 new trial partners who joined in 2022. North Point Ministries continued their financial support, albeit at a reduced level as planned; they donated £12,777 in 2022 (£16,040 in 2021). Income from founder churches continued at historical levels. Income from new partners is forecast to grow as new trial partners join the network and existing trial partners commit to full membership.

Expenditure increased. We increased the paid hours of the managing director and continued to buy in professional support to build and run our on-line presence.

The trustees saw through their commitment to grow the charity in 2022. The June conference was a significant planned cost in excess of £16,000. 10 churches subscribed for a trial period of one year as a result.

The trustees further developed plans to accelerate the growth of the network and began discussions with potential funders.

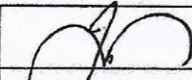
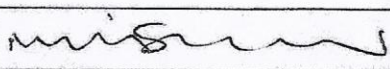
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Other optional information

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Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	James Gallagher	Neil Serjeant
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Secretary

Date



The Further Faster Network Draft Subject to Independent Examination		No (if any) 1186278	CC16a
Receipts and payments accounts			
For the period from	01-Jan-22	To	31-Dec-22

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					
Subscriptions from Founder Members	37,688		0	37,688	30,982
Subscriptions from Other Members	26,791		0	26,791	12,725
Donations from North Point Ministries	12,776		0	12,776	16,040
Donations received	3,121		0	3,121	
Miscellaneous Income	1,300		0	1,300	
Grant Income	0		0	0	0
Event Income	5,173		0	5,173	1,988
Interest Income	195		0	195	4
			0	0	
			0	0	
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	87,044	0	0	87,044	61,739
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0
Sub total	0	0	0	0	0
Total receipts	87,044	0	0	87,044	61,739
A3 Payments					
Activities			0	0	
Digital & Web	1,688		0	1,688	913
Equipment	96		0	96	0
Miscellaneous	286		0	286	278
Professional Fees & Subscriptions	4,790		0	4,790	4,975
Travel & Subsistence	5,516		0	5,516	1,897
			0	0	
People			0	0	
Professional Fees	10,118		0	10,118	5,395
Salaries and National Insurance Contributions	32,187		0	32,187	28,822
Pensions	3,009		0	3,009	1,724
			0	0	
Events	17,528		0	17,528	2,376
			0	0	
Trustees' Expenses	293		0	293	
			0	0	
			0	0	
			0	0	
Sub total	75,510	0	0	75,510	46,380
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0
Sub total	0	0	0	0	0
Total payments	75,510	0	0	75,510	46,380
Net of receipts/(payments)	11,534	0	0	11,534	15,359
A5 Transfers between funds	0		0	0	
A6 Cash funds last year end	52,333		0	52,333	36,974
Cash funds this year end	63,867	0	0	63,867	52,333

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	CAF Current Account	11,675		-
	CAF Gold Account	52,192	0	-
				-
	Total cash funds		63,867	0
		OK	OK	OK

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))



The Further Faster Network <i>Draft Subject to Independent Examination</i>		No (if any) 1186278	CC16a
Receipts and payments accounts			
For the period from	01-Jan-22	To	31-Dec-22

B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
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	-	-	-
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B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
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B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	James Callaghan	23/10/23



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

The Further Faster Network

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 December 2022

**Charity no
(if any)**

1186278

Set out on pages

1 and 2

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 December 2022.

**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").

**Independent
examiner's statement**

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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 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 order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Signed:

Date:

Name:

M. S. HORTER on behalf of ATS Accounting & Tax Solutions Ltd.

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

Fellow of the ICAEW (Membership 2383366)

Address:

6 Corfield Close, Finchampstead

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

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THE FURTHER FASTER NETWORK

England & Wales - Charity number 1186278

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

		Period start date			Period end date		
From	Day	Month	Year	To	Day	Month	Year
	01	Jan	2021		31	Dec	2021

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address

The Old Chapel
Forward Green
Stowmarket
Postcode IP14 5HP

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	James Gallagher	Chair		
2	Leon Evans			
3	Christopher Porter			
4	Christopher Simpkins			
5	Stephen Fenning			
6	Lane Jones			
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

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Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Duncan Banks, Managing Director

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
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Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by the Trustees

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

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

The charitable objects of The Network are to the advancement of religious belief for the public good, in particular by helping to create churches in every community that unchurched people love to be part of. The Network does this by establishing a network of founder partner Christian churches who are aligned around this object, and a partner network of autonomous Christian churches focused on reaching unchurched people and helping each other go further faster. The CIO may also engage in other activities to advance the Christian faith as agreed by the board from time to time.

The Network was begun in early 2019. A group of UK and Irish churches had become enthusiastic about the model of church practiced by North Point Community Church in Atlanta, Georgia. The leaders of these 5 churches, all of which had already adopted many of the principles endorsed by North Point, approached North Point with a view to both better implementing North Point's principles in their own churches and helping other churches in the UK and Ireland to understand and adopt the model in a manner appropriate to the culture prevalent in their countries. North Point committed significant resource to help the Network become established, including funding, intellectual property and input from their staff. Each of the founding UK and Irish churches also committed leadership time and money to the Network.

From the outset the leaders of the churches wanted the Network to be an independent charity registered the charity as a Charitable Incorporated

The Network offers coaching, community and content.

Coaching

Lead Pastor Coaching: One-to-one and peer-based group coaching calls designed to help you with your specific church leadership needs.

Staff & Volunteer Coaching: personalised peer based group calls for staff & volunteers in the essential ministry areas of your church. (Kids, Youth, Groups, Programming, Guest Services)

Regular Touch-points: Conferences, workshops, webinars and video calls that connect you to a network of like minded church leaders who do your job in other churches. We learn better together.

Community

Community: You get regular opportunities to build friendship and community with like-minded leaders via video calls and in-person at events for your entire church leadership teams.

Regular Touch-points: Get access to regular group calls with a small group of other leaders who have the same vision of their church that you do for yours.

Resources: The chance to share best ideas and materials that have worked in your church with others. Access to an ever-growing library of podcasts and training materials from both North Point and the Further FASTER Network.

Content

Messages: Access to a library of helpful talk outlines, series artwork, videos and small group notes from Andy Stanley, other North Point

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)

communicators and UK & Ireland Network churches.

Training materials: Access to a library of volunteer and staff training materials from North Point and Further Faster Network churches in the UK & Ireland.

Tools: A dashboard tool to help capture your metrics around attendance and giving so as you can quickly track church trends and make better informed decisions.

Kids & Youth curriculum from Orange: Access to world class materials for your Kids & Youth programmes.

Covid-19

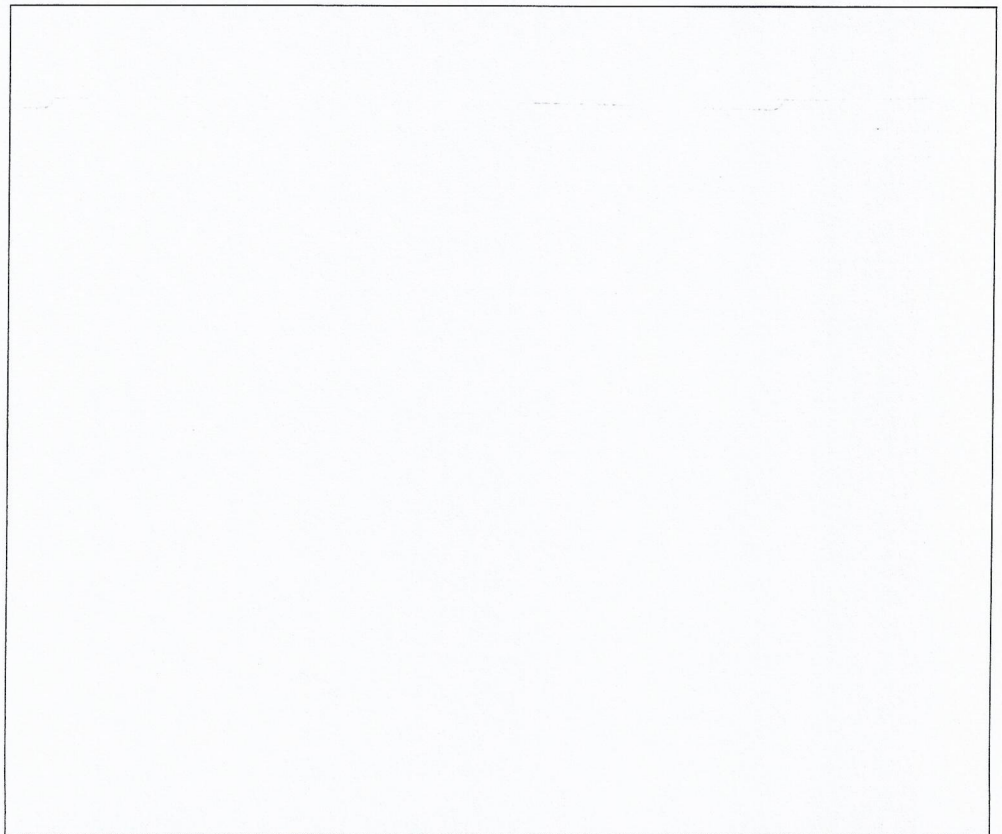
The restrictions put in place to control the Covid-19 pandemic represented a significant challenge to the Network in delivering on its charitable purpose.

Most activities in 2021 were conducted virtually, with coaching and community being created on-line. A number of webinars – many around the challenges and opportunities facing churches as restrictions eased – were heavily subscribed to and received very positive feedback. The Network’s main repositories of content were already online.

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.



Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Despite the challenging environment, the Network ended 2021 with 7 churches subscribing as trial members of the Network in addition to the 5 founder member churches.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity has yet to adopt a formal reserves policy. The Trustees have agreed that reserves should be adequate to meet the charity's contractual commitments in the event of it ceasing to trade.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

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.

The charity received income in the period of £61,739 and incurred expenditure of £46,381, giving rise to a surplus of £15,359.

Income was from founder member churches - £30,982 (64%) - from new members - £12,725 (8%) – and from North Point Ministries in the USA - £16,040 (28%). North Point Ministries had initially committed to support the Network for its first 5 years on a reducing scale. Income from founder churches is expected broadly to continue at the level reported. Income from new partners is forecast to grow as new trial partners join the network and existing trial partners commit to full membership.

Expenditure increased. 2021 was the first full year of employing a managing director, and we also bought in professional support to build and run our on-line presence.

In 2021 the trustees focussed on consolidating the network which has more than doubled in size. In 2022 the trustees will aim to grow the network further and develop plans for further expansion.

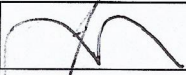

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Other optional information

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)	James Gallagher	Neil Serjeant
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Secretary

Date



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Receipts and payments accounts			
For the period from	01-Jan-21	To	31-Dec-21

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					
Subscriptions from Founder Members	30,982		0	30,982	37,058
Subscriptions from Other Members	12,725		0	12,725	4,660
Donations from North Point Ministries	16,040		0	16,040	15,803
Grant Income	0		0	0	
Event Income	1,988		0	1,988	
Interest Income	4		0	4	
			0	0	
			0	0	
			0	0	
			0	0	
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	61,739	0	0	61,739	57,521
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0
Sub total	0	0	0	0	0
Total receipts	61,739	0	0	61,739	57,521
A3 Payments					
Activities			0	0	0
Digital & Web	913		0	913	395
Equipment	0		0	0	132
Miscellaneous	278		0	278	
Professional Fees & Subscriptions	4,975		0	4,975	64
Travel & Subsistence	1,897		0	1,897	2,181
			0	0	
People			0	0	
Consulting Fees	5,395		0	5,395	15,988
Salaries and National Insurance Contributions	28,822		0	28,822	13,098
Pensions	1,724		0	1,724	1,445
			0	0	
Events	2,376		0	2,376	2,402
			0	0	
Trustees' Expenses	0		0	0	246
			0	0	
			0	0	
			0	0	
			0	0	
			0	0	
			0	0	
Sub total	46,381	0	0	46,381	35,951
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0
Sub total	0	0	0	0	0
Total payments	46,381	0	0	46,381	35,951
Net of receipts/(payments)	15,359	0	0	15,359	21,570
A5 Transfers between funds	0	0	0	0	
A6 Cash funds last year end	36,974		0	36,974	15,404
Cash funds this year end	52,333	0	0	52,333	36,974

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	CAF Current Account	7,328		-
	CAF Gold Account	45,005	0	-
				-
	Total cash funds	52,333	0	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))



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Receipts and payments accounts			
For the period from	01-Jan-21	To	31-Dec-21

B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

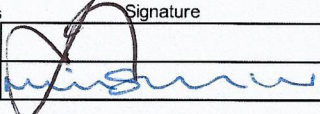
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
HMRC Employer Contributions	Unrestricted	1,269	22 January 2022
St James's Place - December 2021 pension contributions	Unrestricted	344	02 January 2022
		-	
		-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

	Signature _____ JAMES GALLAGHER NEIL SPORTEANT	Print Name _____ JAMES GALLAGHER NEIL SPORTEANT	Date of approval _____ 6-10-22 6-10-22
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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

		Period start date			Period end date		
From	Day	Month	Year	To	Day	Month	Year
	01	Jan	2021		31	Dec	2021

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address

The Old Chapel
Forward Green
Stowmarket
Postcode IP14 5HP

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	James Gallagher	Chair		
2	Leon Evans			
3	Christopher Porter			
4	Christopher Simpkins			
5	Stephen Fenning			
6	Lane Jones			
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

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Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Duncan Banks, Managing Director

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by the Trustees

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

<p>Further Faster Network is a charitable incorporated organisation first registered in November 2019. Its trustees and other volunteers are involved in the day-to-day running of the organisation. The trustees employ a part-time managing director to take responsibility for the day-to-day activities of the network.</p>

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

The charitable objects of The Network are to the advancement of religious belief for the public good, in particular by helping to create churches in every community that unchurched people love to be part of. The Network does this by establishing a network of founder partner Christian churches who are aligned around this object, and a partner network of autonomous Christian churches focused on reaching unchurched people and helping each other go further faster. The CIO may also engage in other activities to advance the Christian faith as agreed by the board from time to time.

The Network was begun in early 2019. A group of UK and Irish churches had become enthusiastic about the model of church practiced by North Point Community Church in Atlanta, Georgia. The leaders of these 5 churches, all of which had already adopted many of the principles endorsed by North Point, approached North Point with a view to both better implementing North Point's principles in their own churches and helping other churches in the UK and Ireland to understand and adopt the model in a manner appropriate to the culture prevalent in their countries. North Point committed significant resource to help the Network become established, including funding, intellectual property and input from their staff. Each of the founding UK and Irish churches also committed leadership time and money to the Network.

From the outset the leaders of the churches wanted the Network to be an independent charity registered the charity as a Charitable Incorporated

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Resources: The chance to share best ideas and materials that have worked in your church with others. Access to an ever-growing library of podcasts and training materials from both North Point and the Further FASTER Network.

Content

Messages: Access to a library of helpful talk outlines, series artwork, videos and small group notes from Andy Stanley, other North Point

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)

communicators and UK & Ireland Network churches.

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Kids & Youth curriculum from Orange: Access to world class materials for your Kids & Youth programmes.

Covid-19

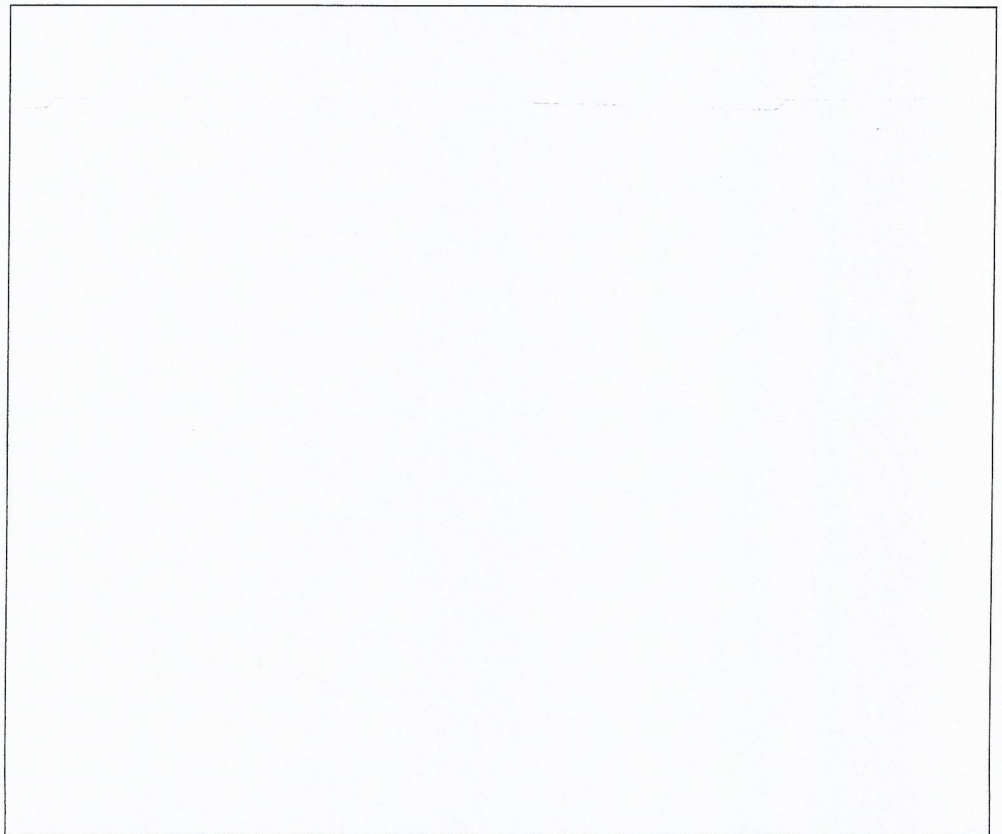
The restrictions put in place to control the Covid-19 pandemic represented a significant challenge to the Network in delivering on its charitable purpose.

Most activities in 2021 were conducted virtually, with coaching and community being created on-line. A number of webinars – many around the challenges and opportunities facing churches as restrictions eased – were heavily subscribed to and received very positive feedback. The Network’s main repositories of content were already online.

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.



Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Despite the challenging environment, the Network ended 2021 with 7 churches subscribing as trial members of the Network in addition to the 5 founder member churches.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity has yet to adopt a formal reserves policy. The Trustees have agreed that reserves should be adequate to meet the charity's contractual commitments in the event of it ceasing to trade.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

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.

The charity received income in the period of £61,739 and incurred expenditure of £46,381, giving rise to a surplus of £15,359.

Income was from founder member churches - £30,982 (64%) - from new members - £12,725 (8%) – and from North Point Ministries in the USA - £16,040 (28%). North Point Ministries had initially committed to support the Network for its first 5 years on a reducing scale. Income from founder churches is expected broadly to continue at the level reported. Income from new partners is forecast to grow as new trial partners join the network and existing trial partners commit to full membership.

Expenditure increased. 2021 was the first full year of employing a managing director, and we also bought in professional support to build and run our on-line presence.

In 2021 the trustees focussed on consolidating the network which has more than doubled in size. In 2022 the trustees will aim to grow the network further and develop plans for further expansion.

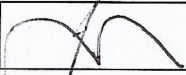

Section F

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)	James Gallagher	Neil Serjeant
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Secretary

Date



Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01-Jan-21	To	31-Dec-21
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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					
Subscriptions from Founder Members	30,982		0	30,982	37,058
Subscriptions from Other Members	12,725		0	12,725	4,660
Donations from North Point Ministries	16,040		0	16,040	15,803
Grant Income	0		0	0	
Event Income	1,988		0	1,988	
Interest Income	4		0	4	
			0	0	
			0	0	
			0	0	
			0	0	
			0	0	
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	61,739	0	0	61,739	57,521
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0
Sub total	0	0	0	0	0
Total receipts	61,739	0	0	61,739	57,521
A3 Payments					
Activities			0	0	0
Digital & Web	913		0	913	395
Equipment	0		0	0	132
Miscellaneous	278		0	278	
Professional Fees & Subscriptions	4,975		0	4,975	64
Travel & Subsistence	1,897		0	1,897	2,181
			0	0	
People			0	0	
Consulting Fees	5,395		0	5,395	15,988
Salaries and National Insurance Contributions	28,822		0	28,822	13,098
Pensions	1,724		0	1,724	1,445
			0	0	
Events	2,376		0	2,376	2,402
			0	0	
Trustees' Expenses	0		0	0	246
			0	0	
			0	0	
			0	0	
			0	0	
			0	0	
			0	0	
			0	0	
Sub total	46,381	0	0	46,381	35,951
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0
Sub total	0	0	0	0	0
Total payments	46,381	0	0	46,381	35,951
Net of receipts/(payments)	15,359	0	0	15,359	21,570
A5 Transfers between funds	0	0	0	0	
A6 Cash funds last year end	36,974		0	36,974	15,404
Cash funds this year end	52,333	0	0	52,333	36,974

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	CAF Current Account	7,328		-
	CAF Gold Account	45,005	0	-
				-
	Total cash funds	52,333	0	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))



The Further Faster Network <i>Draft Subject to Independent Examination</i>		No (if any) 1186278	CC16a
Receipts and payments accounts			
For the period from	01-Jan-21	To	31-Dec-21

B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
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	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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		-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
HMRC Employer Contributions	Unrestricted	1,269	22 January 2022
St James's Place - December 2021 pension contributions	Unrestricted	344	02 January 2022
		-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	JAMES GALLAGHER NEIL SPORTEANT	6-10-22 6-10-22

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**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
THE FURTHER FASTER NETWORK

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 DECEMBER 2021

**Charity no
(if any)**

1186278

Set out on pages

CC16a report (all pages)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the period ending 10 November 2019.

**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 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 (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 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 order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

20 October 2022

Name:

Magdalena Shotter of ATS Accounting & Tax Solutions Ltd

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of England and Wales

Address:

6 Corfield Close

Finchampstead, Wokingham, Berkshire

RG40 4PA

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

None

THE FURTHER FASTER NETWORK

England & Wales - Charity number 1186278

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date			Period end date				
From	Day 11	Month Nov	Year 2019	To	Day 31	Month Dec	Year 2020

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name The Further Faster Network

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1186278

Charity's principal address

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 Stowmarket
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Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

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Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Description of the charity's trusts

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Further Faster Network is a new charity. Its trustees are involved in the day-to-day running of the organisation. The trustees employed a part-time manager from August 2020 to assist them. The trustees have also paid for professional services to help them establish and grow the organisation.

Section C Objectives and activities

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

The charitable objects of The Network are to the advancement of religious belief for the public good, in particular by helping to create churches in every community that unchurched people love to be part of. The Network will do this by establishing a network of founder partner Christian churches who are aligned around this object, and a partner network of autonomous Christian churches focused on reaching unchurched people and helping each other go further faster. The CIO may also engage in other activities to advance the Christian faith as agreed by the board from time to time.

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 Network was begun in early 2019. A group of UK and Irish churches had become enthusiastic about the model of church practiced by North Point Community Church in Atlanta, Georgia. The leaders of these 5 churches, all of which had already adopted many of the principles endorsed by North Point, approached North Point with a view to both better implementing North Point's principles in their own churches and helping other churches in the UK and Ireland to understand and adopt the model in a manner appropriate to the culture prevalent in their countries. North Point committed significant resource to help the Network become established, including funding, intellectual property and input from their staff. Each of the founding UK and Irish churches also committed leadership time and money to the Network

From the outset the leaders of the churches wanted the Network to be an independent charity and began the process of registering as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). The CIO was registered by the Charity Commission on 11 November 2019.

Building on a highly successful conference in 2019 attended by over 150 church leaders, about 12 churches expressed an interest in becoming part of the Network. At the same time, the Network clarified its offering as coaching, community and content.

Coaching

Lead Pastor Coaching: One-to-one and peer-based group coaching calls designed to help you with your specific church leadership needs.

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Covid-19

The restrictions put in place to control the Covid-19 pandemic represented a significant challenge to the Network in delivering on its charitable purpose.

As in-person meetings became increasingly difficult due to lockdown, activities were moved on-line. Coaching transferred readily online using Zoom, FaceTime and calls. At times when restrictions were eased, coaches met face to face with their contacts. Community continued almost entirely online. A number of webinars – many around the impact of the pandemic and how the church could respond – were heavily subscribed to and received very positive feedback. The Network's main repositories of content were already online.

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.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Despite the restrictions and being unable to hold a conference in 2020, 6 churches signed up for a trial year membership of the Network in September 2020. This more than doubled the number of churches in the UK and Ireland who are members of the Network.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity has yet to adopt a formal reserves policy. The Trustees have agreed that reserves should be adequate to meet the charity's contractual commitments in the event of it ceasing to trade.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

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.

The attached accounts are the first for the CIO and cover the period from incorporation on 11 November 2019 to 31 December 2020.

On incorporation, £15,404 was transferred to the CIO from The Forge Community Church ("The Forge"). The Forge had collected income and made disbursements on behalf of the Network prior to incorporation. The Charity Commission has confirmed that it has no requirement for accounts to be submitted for the period prior to incorporation since the charity was not registered prior to incorporation.

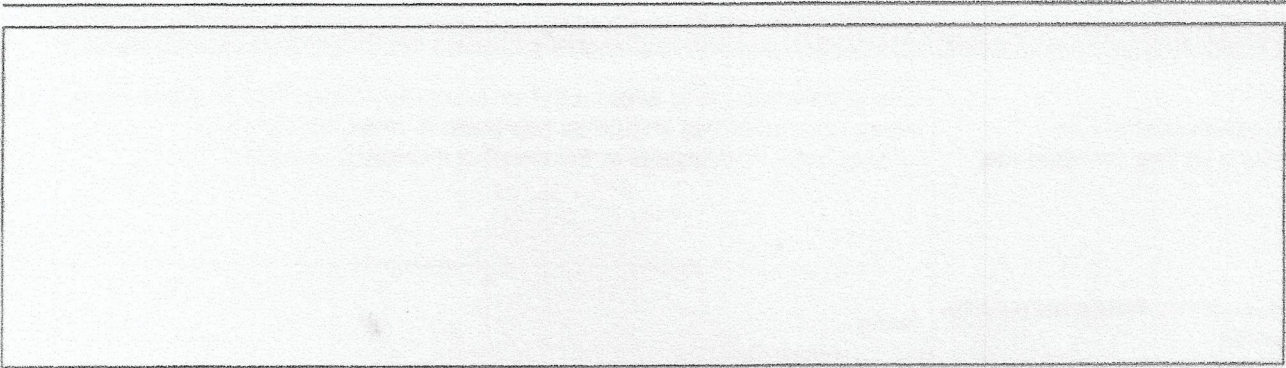
The charity received income in the period of £57,521 and incurred expenditure of £35,951, giving rise to a surplus of £21,570. Income was from founder member churches - £37,057 (64%) - from new members beginning a trial year in September 2020 - £4,660 (8%) - and from North Point Ministries in the USA - £15,803 (28%). North Point Ministries has committed to support the Network for a further 3 years beyond 2020; the amount of support will reduce year on year as the Network has opportunity to increase its financial independence. Income from founder churches is expected broadly to continue at the level reported. Income from new partners is forecast to grow, partly because the 2020 income reflects only part of the year (trial partners joined in September 2020) and because the trial partnership is offered at a significant discount to the normal membership subscription.

Expenditure was curtailed by the pandemic. International travel and in-person events were cancelled. Almost 85% of expenditure (£30,531) was incurred on fees, salaries and pension contributions to provide the trustees with dedicated support in promoting the Network and running the coaching and connection events, mostly online.

Looking ahead, the trustees are optimistic that most, if not all, the current trial partners will continue to full membership of the Network. The Network is a very new organisation and the trustees recognise that further rapid growth without consolidating the Network could prove unsustainable. They plan, therefore, to focus in 2021 on maximising the benefit of membership to all member churches, addressing the issues presented by pandemic restrictions and recovery thereafter. Mindful that the income from North Point Ministries will reduce over the next 3 years, Trustees are planning to grow the subscription base and are exploring grant funding within the UK and Ireland.

Section F

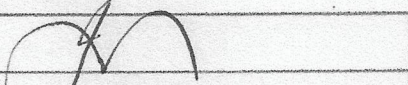

Other optional information



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)	James Gallagher	Neil Serjeant
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Secretary
Date	27 October 2020	



The Further Faster Network Draft Subject to Independent Examination		No (if any) 1186278	CC16a
Receipts and payments accounts			
For the period from	11-Nov-19	To	31-Dec-20

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					
Subscriptions from Founder Members	37,057		0	37,057	
Subscriptions from Other Members	4,660		0	4,660	
Donations from North Point Ministries	15,803		0	15,803	
Grant Income	0		0	0	
Event Income	0		0	0	
Interest Income	1		0	1	
			0	0	
			0	0	
			0	0	
			0	0	
			0	0	
			0	0	
			0	0	
			0	0	
			0	0	
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	57,521	0	0	57,521	0
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0
Sub total	0	0	0	0	0
Total receipts	57,521	0	0	57,521	0
A3 Payments					
Activities			0	0	0
Digital & Web	395		0	395	
Equipment	132		0	132	
Miscellaneous	0		0	0	
Professional Fees & Subscriptions	64		0	64	
Travel & Subsistence	2,181		0	2,181	
			0	0	
People			0	0	
Consulting Fees	15,988		0	15,988	
Salaries & National Insurance Contributions	13,098		0	13,098	
Pensions	1,445		0	1,445	
			0	0	
Events	2,402		0	2,402	
			0	0	
Trustees' Expenses	246		0	246	
			0	0	
			0	0	
			0	0	
			0	0	
			0	0	
Sub total	35,951	0	0	35,951	0
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0
Sub total	0	0	0	0	0
Total payments	35,951	0	0	35,951	0
Net of receipts/(payments)	21,570	0	0	21,570	0
Funds transferred on registration	15,404		0	15,404	
A5 Transfers between funds			0	0	
A6 Cash funds last year end			0	0	
Cash funds this year end	36,974	0	0	36,974	0

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	CAF Bank	36,974	0	-
	Total cash funds	36,974	0	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK



The Further Paster Network Draft Subject to Independent Examination		No (if any) 1188278	CC16a
Receipts and payments accounts			
For the period from	11-Nov-19	To	31-Dec-20

B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

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 asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
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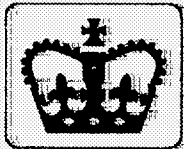
B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	JAMES GALLAGHER	28/10/21
	NEIL SERJEANT	27/10/21

NOTES



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of:**

THE FURTHER FASTER NETWORK

**On accounts for the year
ended:**

PERIOD FROM 11 NOVEMBER 2019
TO 31 DECEMBER 2020

**Charity no
(if any)**

1186278

Set out on pages:

CC16a report (all pages)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the period ending 10 November 2019.

**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 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 (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 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 order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

25/10/2021

Name:

Magdalena Shotton of ATS Accounting & Tax Solutions Ltd

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