

The annual report of



Freedom Church Waddington

For the year ending 31st December 2022

A Charitable Incorporated Organisation registered in England and Wales, no. 1190778

Registered address:

Trustees

:

Hall Cottage, Hill Top, Waddington, Lincoln, LN5 9RL

Ms Jacky Brister (until 5 January 2022)

Mr Jon Pape

Mr John Thorneycroft

Mr Efstratios Tsagaris, known as Gary (from 17 August 2022)

Structure, governance and management

Freedom Church Waddington is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), registered as a charity on 7th August 2020. The charity was established with a constitution whose only voting members are its charity trustees. In the event of the charity being wound up the trustees have no liability to settle its debts and liabilities.

Under the requirements of the Constitution, except for the initial trustees, every trustee must be appointed for a term of three years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the trustees. There shall be a minimum of three and a maximum of twelve trustees. Any person retiring as a trustee is eligible for reappointment. The trustees met three times during 2022.

The trustees are responsible for ensuring all legal requirements of the charity are met. The strategic and spiritual direction and pastoral oversight of Freedom Church Waddington is the responsibility of the church leaders.

During the year the church was led on a day-to-day basis by Jon Pape, who was assisted by a broader team of Jenne Pape and Richard & Charlotte Thorneycroft. Jon and Jenne Pape are also supported by the leadership of Gateway Church Northumberland (registered charity no. 1164586). The leaders of Freedom Church Waddington submit to apostolic oversight from Regions Beyond UK (registered charity no. 1152827).

The church has no employees, with all trustees, leaders and people within the church giving their time voluntarily to serve our community.

Objectives and activities

Our purpose is to be a church family in Waddington which especially welcomes the RAF Community and wants to see lives changed as people choose to follow Jesus.

This is defined in our CIO constitution as:

To advance the Christian religion for the benefit of the public, in particular but not exclusively through the holding of prayer meetings, religious education, public celebration of religious festivals, producing and/or distributing literature on the Christian faith to enlighten others about the Christian religion, providing pastoral care and carrying out outreach work in the community.

Freedom Church Waddington seeks to fulfil our purpose through the following activities:

- Gathering together
- Mission
- Discipleship
- Pastoral Care

We hope that as we carry out these activities we move closer to fulfilling our vision which is to see people flourishing because they have found belonging and fulfilment in Jesus.

When planning our activities for the year, the leadership and trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Achievements and performance

Gathering together – Freedom Church Waddington met in Waddington Village Hall each Sunday morning to worship together. This took the form of singing, praying, reading the Bible and teaching one another. Teaching was given in an age-appropriate way, with adults listening to a prepared sermon and children enjoying their own activities. Church members also gather during the week in life groups, where they have fellowship with one another, study the bible, and pray together.

Mission – After 18-months of discussion and planning, we started work on the Community Growing Garden project with RAF Waddington. The aim of the garden is to support military families, especially those where a member is deployed abroad, reducing isolation and loneliness, and encouraging community cohesion between military and church families. By December we had all permissions in place and a team of RAF and church volunteers had enclosed the area with a picket fence, ready for the construction of raised beds when the weather improved. We were also really excited to send a group of young people and helpers to NewDay youth camp, after several years' delay due to Covid. All of them were inspired, challenged and encouraged in their faith, and the impact on the young people was evident in their enthusiasm for getting more involved in the life and work of the church, as well as in growing maturity in their personal faith.

Discipleship – Freedom Church Waddington provided discipleship through our mid-week life groups. We were also delighted to baptise 10 people during the year, including on two occasions when we brought in a portable baptistry to the village hall.

Pastoral care – Freedom Church Waddington provided pastoral care to people within the church through our mid-week life group and encouraging people to support one another. Members of the church helped to set up and run a Warm Welcome space at St Michael's church, which welcomed a range of ages and needs, providing a warm space for those who were struggling to heat their homes during winter time. Additionally, one pastoral gift was made to a family in Waddington outside the church community, whose needs became known to us.

Training – Freedom Church Waddington sent Jon and Jenne Pape to a gathering of Regions Beyond church leaders in Birmingham, where they received teaching and encouragement.

Administration – Freedom Church Waddington's expenditure under this heading includes a mobile phone, insurance, licenses to publish song lyrics that are under copyright, membership of the Evangelical Alliance (registered charity no. 212325), website costs, and safeguarding costs (Membership of thirtyone:eight (registered charity no. 1004490) and DBS checks).

Gifts to other ministries – Freedom Church Waddington makes a monthly donation of £100 to Regions Beyond UK. Additionally, the church gave a gift of £1,000 to St Michael's church, Waddington to assist in the costs of heating their church building for the weekly Warm Welcome sessions.



Gathering at Waddington Village Hall



Garden at RAF Waddington



Baptising people into God's family

Financial review

During the year Freedom Church Waddington received unrestricted funds of £19,067, which was made up of £14,094 in regular giving, £1,252 of ad hoc giving and £3,721 of Gift Aid. Our expenditure more than doubled when compared to 2021, increasing to £11,406, yet receipts exceeded payments by £7,661. When this is combined with the £21,252 brought forward from the previous year, the balance carried forward on 31st December 2022 was £28,913.

Freedom Church Waddington does not yet have a reserves policy.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Charity Commission's guidance CC15d, and was approved by the trustees on 27 October 2023.



Jon Pape, 27 October 2023



John Thorneycroft, 27 October 2023



Efstratios Tsagaris, 27 October 2023



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Freedom Church Waddington

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Receipts and payments accounts


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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					
Donations - Regular giving	14,094	-	-	14,094	13,273
Donations - Ad hoc giving	1,252	-	-	1,252	381
Gift Aid	3,721	-	-	3,721	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	19,067	-	-	19,067	13,654
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Nil	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	19,067	-	-	19,067	13,654
A3 Payments					
Gathering together	2,521	-	-	2,521	1,041
Mission	4,183	-	-	4,183	975
Discipleship	326	-	-	326	-
Pastoral care	750	-	-	750	563
Training	362	-	-	362	558
Administration	1,064	-	-	1,064	690
Gifts to other ministries	2,200	-	-	2,200	1,700
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	11,406	-	-	11,406	5,527
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Nil	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	11,406	-	-	11,406	5,527
Net of receipts/(payments)	7,661	-	-	7,661	8,127
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	21,252	-	-	21,252	13,126
Cash funds this year end	28,913	-	-	28,913	21,253

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	Bank current account	28,913	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	28,913	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	Nil	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Nil		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Nil		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	Nil		-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
			Efstratios Tsagaris	27-Oct-23
		John Thorneycroft	John Thorneycroft	27-Oct-23