

STRONGPOINT (1191403)

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

Introduction and Background

Chowdene Community Church, Gateshead (239787) is an all age, family church that began in the early 1960's. The Trust Deed, established in 1964, governing its activities is no longer fit for purpose. The Trustees and Church Leaders were motivated to secure a mutually agreeable church structure, to comply with current legal, regulatory, and best practice requirements.

The best way to achieve this was by way of the dissolution of the current trust deed, transferring all assets and liabilities to Strongpoint a new CIO with a new Board of Trustees. Most of the long serving Chowdene Trustees were looking to retire so it was appropriate to appoint a new Board of Trustees at this point to ensure the continuation and development of the charitable aims of the organisation. One Trustee, Doreen Oliver, agreed to transfer to Strongpoint for a period of time ensuring a smooth transition. Additionally, all of the former Trustees continue as members of the the Church and the Leadership team serving both Chowdene (before the transfer) and Strongpoint Trustees remain in place.

One core asset of the Chowdene Trust is the Chapel building situated at 660, Durham Road, Low Fell, Gateshead, NE9 6JA. This has been owned and occupied by Chowdene since 1964. Unfortunately the Title Deed has been lost so until Possessory Title is granted (application made and Title award awaited) the old Chowdene Trust has to remain in place, albeit dormant. Once that is received Title will be transferred to Strongpoint and the Chowdene Trust dissolved.

Furthermore the Chapel building is in need of significant renovation and modernisation to comply with modern access and usage requirements. The Strongpoint Trustees have engaged Architects and secured full Planning Permission to do this and create a facility that will be multipurpose and serve the needs of Chowdene Community Church and the wider community long into the future. Part of Strongpoint's funds have been allocated to the renovation project, additional funding has been pledged and further funding appeals and grant options are being explored to complete the renovation over time.

Structure, Governance and Management

The Strongpoint charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). It was formed on 22nd September 2020 with a charity number 1191403

Charitable Objectives

- 1) TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PEOPLE OF GATESHEAD AND SURROUNDING AREAS THROUGH:
 - A) THE PROVISION OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP AND TEACHING.
 - B) EXPRESSIONS OF PRACTICAL CARE AND SUPPORT THAT PROMOTE SPIRITUAL, PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH AND WELL-BEING FOR FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS IRRESPECTIVE OF THEIR BACKGROUND.
- 2) TO FURTHER SUCH OTHER PURPOSES BEING EXCLUSIVELY CHARITABLE ACCORDING TO THE LAWS OF ENGLAND AND WALES AS THE TRUSTEES FROM TIME TO TIME MAY THINK FIT.

Activities

Christian outreach, partnering other charities at home and overseas. Online and in person church worship. General Charitable Purposes. Religious Activities. Other Charitable Purposes

Public Benefit

The Trustees are satisfied that, in accordance with the Charity Commission guidelines, they meet the public benefit guidelines.

Achievements and Performance

Strongpoint seeks to present the gospel of Jesus Christ through services both in person and online and various other activities.

From January 2022 our Sunday Services will be held weekly, in person, at St Ninians Church, Ivy Lane, Low Fell, NE9 6QD. That arrangement will continue until renovation works at Chowdene Chapel are completed. In addition services will be live streamed via YouTube.

Financial Review

Strongpoint is supported entirely by voluntary contributions, and we are grateful to those who give of their time and money to support the work

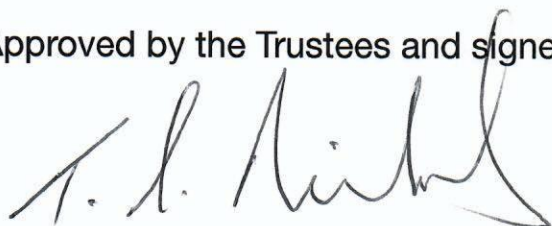
During 2021 our income totalled £13,646.

In addition reserves were transferred into Strongpoint from Chowdene Community Church (239787) totalling £184,520.

We continue to give financial support to various missionaries and charities at home and overseas and our giving in this area in 2021 totalled £7,280.

Our outgoings for the year totalled £7,838 and our reserves now stand at £183,048

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf:



Name T. S. NICHOL

Date 11-09-2022

CHARITY NUMBER
1191403

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REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

PERIOD ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2021

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TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS

Terry Nichol
Stuart Hann
Amanda Cannon
June Allport
Doreen Oliver
Andrew Latimer

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EXAMINERS

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BANKERS

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PERIOD ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2021

EXAMINERS REPORT

We report on the accounts of the charity for the period ended 31st December 2021, which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, Balance Sheet and related notes.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to examine the accounts (under section 43(3)(a) of the 1993 Act), to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 43(7)(b) of the Act), and to state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of independent examiners' report

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charities Commissioners. 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 a consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and the seeking of 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, we do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiners' statement

In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention:

which gives us reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with s41 of the Act; and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act have not been met; or

to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

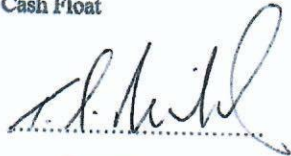
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14th June 2022

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FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2021

<u>Incoming Resources</u>		<u>2021</u>
Voluntary Income		13,431
		<u>13,431</u>
Interest	3	
Rebates	212	
		<u>215</u>
		13,646
<u>Outgoing Resources</u>		
Charitable Activities	Note 1	7,280
Governance Costs	Note 2	7,838
Adjustment		<u>-</u>
		15,118
Deficit for the Year		(1,472)
Monies from Chowdene Church		<u>184,520</u>
		<u>183,048</u>
Represented By:-		
Barclays Current Account		5,708
Barclays Capital Account		177,340
Cash Float		<u>-</u>
		<u>183,048</u>



Trustee



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Approved by the Trustees on.....

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<u>Charitable</u>	<u>Activities</u>	<u>Note 1</u>	<u>2021</u>
	Care Fund		-
	Gifts and Donations		7,255
	Safeguarding		25
	Speakers Expenses		-
	YPF Expenses		-
	Outreach		-
	Church Weekend		-
	Sunday School		-
	Xstream Team		-
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			<u>7,280</u>

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<u>Governance</u>	<u>Costs</u>	<u>Note 2</u>	<u>2021</u>
	General Utilities		367
	Insurance		1,058
	Equipment		2,244
	Maintenance		838
	Telecommunications		96
	Printing & Stationery		212
	Resources		154
	Conference & Catering		257
	Professional fees		2,037
	Subscriptions		45
	Wages and PAYE		520
	Miscellaneous Expenses		10
			<u>7,838</u>