North End Baptist Church
Annual Report 2022 – Rev Tracey Ansell

As 2022 began, we were now fully back in the building and in January 2022, we welcomed Sparkle Nursery to use our Sanctuary place on Mondays through to Fridays. We also welcomed the leaders of the Further Faster Network, Duncan Banks and Jim Gallagher, to share more of the benefits to NEBC of being part of the network.

We had noticed that many people were now free to do other things at the weekend, like visit relatives they had not seen for a couple of years. This impacted having enough people to help volunteer to help the church meet its commitments, and so a number of things were scaled back, until things picked up again later in the year.

God blessed us with new people, almost every Sunday and our welcoming team did a great job in welcoming them into the church family. In February we had 11 baptisms and our membership increased by over 20 people in this past year.

We had a few Baby Dedications and a wedding, as the life of the Church continued. Sadly, we said goodbye to a few family members, namely Ralph Swan, Hazel Snelling and Rob Daniels.

Due to our work through the Pandemic with our volunteers, foodbank and the Pantry we were granted Freedom of the City. A great honour and wonderful recognition for all of our volunteers.

In March we undertook our first 21 Days of Prayer and Fasting with daily prayers and a final prayer night which the church engaged well with.

Due to war breaking out in the Ukraine, we began collecting items that were needed on the front line, and for those living through it all. We had our contacts through Astra Recycling and other contacts and over the year several lorry loads were full and took valuable items over to the Ukraine.

Portsmouth also had an influx of people seeking asylum and we began the Sunflower group to enable people to come together for support. It quickly became obvious that there were some immediate needs, from plug adaptors, UK sim codes to a great need to learn English. We began English lessons, one for beginners and one for Intermediates and ran them right up to December making some great friends along the way. We became the official Bank Account for fundraising in the city, and a fundraiser was organised in October 2022.

The Pantry went from strength to strength and further grants were obtained, enabling the stability for a few more years. A significant grant was given by Portsmouth City Council and Kenwood through the Hampshire Isle of Wight Community Fund. Over the course of the year, we purchased an additional freezer and fridge for storage. Sourcing enough food was becoming a challenge, and deliveries were started from local wholesale butchers and fruit and vegetable providers. Food was also sourced from HisChurch and local supermarkets. Rather than do hampers for Christmas, which are challenging to administer, the Pantry offered an additional item throughout December of Christmas goodies, so that people could build their own items, increasing their dignity.

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As Easter preparations took hold, we hosted a showing of Road to the Cross, a brilliant play that impacted all those that came. We had busy Good Friday and Easter services, with a family celebration party on Easter Day that attracted many local families.

During 2022, our Minister Tracey Ansell, stood down from her role as Chaplain to Portsmouth City Council, which she had held for 3 years. During June the Church hosted a community Street Party for local residents, closing off the roads around the church. This was well received, and over 500 people came along and had a great day as we celebrated 70 years of Queen Elizabeth's reign. Later in the year we received a plaque for our wall commemorating our event and the service to our community.

In 2018, a group of people from NEBC set up the Hope Into Action Portsmouth charity, to enable churches to house vulnerable homeless people, and we continued to house their offices in our premises. Some of our volunteers built an additional office for them as their staff numbers grew and the number of houses, they run increased. NEBC now run 2 houses and we had a few changes in tenants, and in December, welcomed a Ukrainian family into one of the houses.

In June Andy Stanley from Northpoint Church came to the UK to speak to the partner churches in the UK and a team from the Deaconate went to Birmingham to participate and work as a team on a few ideas. Our pressing need was how do we help recruit and keep volunteers. It was an encouraging event and great to meet Andy in person.

Later in June, the men went up to the annual CVM gathering in Swindon and enjoyed some great fellowship and inspiration by speakers to help them on their spiritual journey.

Having heard about the impact community Defibrillators can have on saving lives we wanted to use our building to have one installed internally and externally and profits from a few smaller events were diverted to saving for 2 machines. The local Councillors supported us and at the end of year we had enough money to apply for them with fitting expected during the early part of 2023

July saw the annual pilgrimage to New Wine and a good number went and enjoyed the teaching and fellowship of camping together. The material for teenagers was a bit disappointing and we have begun to look at hosting our own event for 2023.

In the later part of the year, we began to look at upgrading elements of our building, and becoming more energy efficient. Some great ideas were given at the Church Meeting and a plan was formulated to be delivered throughout 2023.

During 2022, we were able to begin introducing live worship as some musicians had joined us, and now we try and incorporate live worship at least once a month.

Our small groups continued to grow as we accommodated our new members in the Church family, and an additional group was created. The number of people engaging in small groups is at 85%.

Our Sunday morning Children's Church continued to grow with numbers increasing, and more volunteers stepping up to help run the different age classes. Fuel, Impact, Little Gems and Music Makers continued to grow, benefitting from now being permanently in the building. The team of volunteers are amazing with their selfless

giving of time and energy. It is amazing to see the young people grow in their faith and we look forward to providing some great premises for them in the future. A number of families from Messy Church have begun to migrate to Sunday services, and Little Gems is a great place for new families to get to know the church.

We continued to welcome New Horizon school into the building for their significant assemblies and we ran RE classes and assemblies at a number of the local schools. Harvest festivals have been a great connection point, as so many of the local primary and secondary school collect for our Pantry. We now have an assembly team that regularly go into schools to deliver themed assemblies.

We welcomed speakers from our missionary partners, namely Hope Into Action and Street Pastors and they not only secured more personal donations, they also unearthed additional volunteers. We held an International lunch to hear from our growing diverse church family on what their needs are for worshipping.

In October, our Minister travelled to the Lead Pastor conference in Atlanta and spent time with the Northpoint Community Church to gain some ideas and principles for our own fellowship which was very profitable and fruitful. Looking after volunteers and upgrading our premises for children's work were initial thoughts. It was a good change of pace and great to mix with other Church leaders from around the world.

October also saw the beginning of the Community Meal on a Monday night as the church responded to the cost of living crisis. We had become aware that people were choosing between eating or heating, and we began to offer a warm space for people to hang out in and offered a meal to adults at £1 each and children ate for free. On average 30 people came each week to enjoy the company and good food.

At our AGM, we welcomed 2 new Deacons, Kevin Sumner and Alex Peters, great additions to the team.

In November we partnered with Staplefords Funeral Directors to provide the community with a Service of Memories for those that had lost people over the past 18 months, giving them a space to remember and grieve in a safe place.

To help start our building fund, a Christmas Fayre and a Comedy night were arranged and all profits to be split 50:50. It was a huge success and the community poured in through the doors and were greeted by a welcome from the Ukrainian women singing Christmas Carols. The local Onestop had offered to help, as they are passionate about our Pantry and it was great to continue to build community links.

Our Christingle service was another great hit with over 200 families pouring in and celebrating Christ's birth with us. It was good to be in the building again and to meet people face to face. We launched our Alpha service at the Christingle and had a few people sign up there and then which was hugely encouraging. It was a pleasure to close the year with an in person Christmas Day service, the first for 3 years and we choose to be closed on New Years Day so that all could rest.

God has been so faithful to us and we are so very blessed to have a diverse range of people from different generations, nationalities and ethnic backgrounds. In this diversity I believe there is beauty and strength which reflects God's beauty and strength. By His Grace we can enrich and encourage each other and assist with the kingdom breaking out and growing in North End.

Hebrews 10:24-25
And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Rev. Tracey Ansell
Minister
March 2023

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

North End Baptist Church	No (if any) 1192736

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 01/01/2022	To	Period end date 31/12/2022

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 and similar items - NEBC	62,680	9,177	-	71,857	50,653
Donations and similar items - Pantry	34,817	-	-	34,817	7,500
Operating Activities to further charities objects - NEBC	3,973	-	-	3,973	1,483
Operating Activities to further charities objects - Pantry	-	-	-	-	14,000
Operating Activities to further charities funds - NEBC	23,770	-	-	23,770	7,836
Operating Activities to generate funds - Pantry	21,078	-	-	21,078	19,061
***Sub total** (Gross income for AR)*	146,318	9,177	-	155,495	100,533
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Transfer of funds held in trust	23,671	-	-	23,671	60,000
Photocopier arrangement	4,416	-	-	4,416	-
Sub total	28,087	-	-	28,087	60,000
Total receipts	174,405	9,177	-	183,582	160,533
A3 Payments					
Grants paid - NEBC	-	25,640	-	25,640	1,833
Grants paid - Pantry	-	-	-	-	7,762
Charitable Activities - NEBC	72,937	-	-	72,937	76,527
Charitable Activities - Pantry	31,376	-	-	31,376	5,959
Management and Administration - NEBC	39,757	-	-	39,757	51,026
Management and Administration - Pantry	4,502	-	-	4,502	4,310
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	148,572	25,640	-	174,212	147,417
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Assets purchased - NEBC		-	-	-	2,521
Assets purchased - Pantry	2,232	-	-	2,232	575
Sub total	2,232	-	-	2,232	3,096
Total payments	150,804	25,640	-	176,444	150,513
Net of receipts/(payments)	23,601	- 16,463	-	7,138	10,020
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	30,260	24,140	-	54,400	44,380
Cash funds this year end	53,861	7,677	-	61,538	54,400

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

B1 Cash funds

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	Bank Account - NEBC	14,122	7,677	-
	Bank Account - Pantry	39,739	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	53,861	7,677	-
	(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 £
Trust Fund as follows:-	-	-	-
BU Trust Wayleave receipts	6	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

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)
Freehold Properties as follows:-		-	-
195 Powerscourt Road, Portsmouth	BU Trust	-	-
119 Kensington Road, Portsmouth	BU Trust	-	-
11 Arundel House, Portsmouth	BU Trust	-	-
2 Arundel House, Portsmouth	BU Trust	-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

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

CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	Charity Name North End Baptist Church		
On accounts for the year ended	31 December 2022	**Charity no (if any)**	1192736
Set out on pages	1 & 2 (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2022.

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").

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:	M. J. Rudling	**Date:**	05/04/22.
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