

LOVE PURFLEET

ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDED 31/12/2021

Love Purfleet is a registered charity No 1193961

Its registered address is c/o Socketts Heath Baptist Church, Premier Avenue, Grays, Essex RM16 2SB

The trustees during this period were: Andrew Wade (Chair), Claire Blatchford, Ashley Lovett and Alison Shorter.

Structure and Management

Love Purfleet has been established as a CIO. The principal purposes of the Church are the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination. The Church may also advance education and carry out other charitable purposes in the United Kingdom and/or other parts of the world.

The four trustees met on a monthly basis. The trustees appointed in March 2021 are also representatives of other organisations:

Andrew Wade, Eastern Baptist Association

Rev Claire Blatchford, Cranham Baptist Church

Rev Ashley Lovett, Socketts Heath Baptist Church

Alison Shorter, Church 123 at Harold Hill.

There is a wider steering group to support the trustees and provide resource and other support. The meetings of the trustees and steering group have taken place each month.

The steering group are :

Rev Simon Goddard (Rivertree)

Malcolm Dunk (Upminster Baptist Church)

Rev Tara Frankland (Anglican Team Leader for Mardyke Team Ministry)

Rev Charlie Kosla (Anglican Fresh Expressions and previously at All Saints Church, Chafford Hundred).

None of the trustees or the steering group receive any payment for their work.

Activity in year

The charity was registered in March 2021. A community bank account was opened with Barclays but this did not become operative until 4th September 2021 because the bank were very slow in carrying out relevant checks.

Love Purfleet purchased a flat at 31 Windermere Avenue, Purfleet-on-Thames, RM19 1PZ and was able to take possession of this in very early November 2021 when the purchase was completed. This flat provides accommodation for the missional listener to live in and be based within the Purfleet-on-Thames community. Love Purfleet is the beneficial owner of this property whose ultimate trustees are the Baptist Union Corporation. It was purchased mainly using designated funds held by BUC resulting from the sale of the former Purfleet Baptist Church in 2009.

Using the Baptist denomination's ministerial settlement process the trustees appointed Rev Erica Bowler to take up the post of missional listener at Love Purfleet from 1st September following her graduation from Spurgeons College in July and subsequent ordination. Erica's formal induction service took place at St Stephen's Church in Purfleet on 2nd October 2021.

Erica is tasked as a missional listener to explore the needs and requirements of the community in Purfleet-on-Thames for a twelve month period and prepare an audit and report with recommendations and directions for taking the work forward after that.

Rev Erica Bowler is employed on a 50% basis to undertake this work. This is mainly funded by a Home Mission grant from the Eastern Baptist Association which began to be drawn down from 1st September.

The charity appointed a bookkeeper in September to manage and prepare accounts. Love Purfleet is registered with HMRC for Gift Aid (Ref No ZD14689) and with Stewardship for giving to be made through them although there were no donations made in these ways in the September to December 2021 period.

Love Purfleet has a written Safeguarding Policy in place (based on the Baptists Together template) and the Safeguarding lead is Alison Shorter.

Financial Report

A financial statement and accounts is attached separately.

As yet Love Purfleet does not have a reserves policy.

Further Details

You can find out more about Love Purfleet on our website
<https://lovepurfleet.org.uk/> or In the five-minute introductory video at
What is Love Purfleet? - Bing video

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR YEAR ENDED
31/12/2021
(30/03/21 - 31/12/2021)**

Receipts and payments accounts

Registered Charity No 1193961

LOVE PURFLEET
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY
FOR YEAR ENDED 31/12/2021

	Unrestricted Fund £	Total 2021 £
<u>Incoming Resources</u>		
Voluntary income		
Donations	5,307	5,307
Grants	4,083	4,083
Other	-	-
Total Incoming Resources	<u>9,390</u>	<u>9,390</u>
<u>Resources Expended</u>		
Charitable activities		
Ministry	5,107	5,107
Manse	364	364
Operational Costs	722	722
Other	-	-
Total Resources Used	<u>6,193</u>	<u>6,193</u>
 Net (outgoing)/incoming resources	 3,198	 3,198
 Fund Balance at 31 December 2020	 -	 -
Fund Balance at 31 December 2021	<u>3,198</u>	<u>3,198</u>

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STATEMENT OF ASSET AND LIABILITIES
FOR YEAR ENDED 31/12/2021

	Unrestricted Fund	Total 2021
	£	£
CASH FUNDS		
Barclays Bank	3,198	3,198
Cash in hand	-	-
	3,198	3,198

REPRESENTED BY	2021
Unrestricted	
General Fund	3,198