

The Truro Churches Trust CIO – annual report from the trustees – June 2023

Charity details

Registration number – 1194164

Address – Kemp Street, Truro TR1 1EQ

Trustee names – William Harwood, Alan Stanhope, Anthea Lovelock, Bert Biscoe, Roger Chilman

The trustees act as a management board for the Moresk Centre, with day-to-day activities managed by a paid Operations Lead. When a vacancy occurs, a new trustee would be selected following advertising and an interview with existing trustees.

Introduction

The charity was first registered on 21 April 2021, with 5 Founder Trustees.

The Moresk Centre has been open to the public for over a year, following COVID lockdowns.

The trustees operate in line with a Service Level Agreement with Truro City Council, to provide a basis for the relationship between the Council and Truro Churches Trust. The trust manages a community centre known as The Moresk Centre in the centre of Truro. Truro City Council own the building that the Trust operates.

Activities in the Moresk Centre

In line with the founding vision the Moresk Centre provides a quality facility, at a reasonable cost, for local Truro people to use. The current users of the Moresk Centre include, U3A Carrick, Deaf Assist, the Labour Party, Inner Circle Consulting, Amnesty International, Pilates, Epilepsy Action, Bridge Group, Grace Church, School of Samba, Cornwall Wine Tasting, Clear Mind counselling, Truro Art Set, vocalising training, pottery appreciation day, Community Emergency planning, domestic violence reduction, Man Down, Connect, Truro Wool Shop, Cultivate Cornwall, Celtic Sounds, Warm Welcome, Chaos, Citizens Advice, Drama Express etc.

Relationships

The trustees prioritise good community relationships, which support the vision of the Trust. We aim to provide a positive, welcoming and attractive environment for individuals and organisations in and around Truro that support them to achieve their own objectives.

Signature..........Date 25 April 2024

Alan Stanhope, Chairman

Truro Churches Trust – 1194164 Annual return for 2023/24 to Charity Commission

Questions and Answers as per Charity Commission Guidance

- Financial period 1 April to 31st March
- Accounts attached
- The trust has no government or local authority contracts
- The trust received a one-off grant of £5000 from Truro City Council
- Income breakdown – almost all of the trust’ s income comes from letting rooms, to an extremely diverse range of users – see accounts
- Donations – apart from the grant from Truro City Council there have been no donations
- Grant-making – the trust does not make grants
- Trustee payments – there have been no payments to trustees
- Out of UK activities or income – there are none
- Trading subsidiary – none
- Charity address – is correct
- Property – the trust does not own any property
- Structure and membership - the charity is the only body
- Employees – none
- Volunteers – 5
- Governance – the trust has in place policy and procedure for financial control, safeguarding, complaints, serious incident and accident reporting, risk, trustee expenses and conflicts of interest
- Safeguarding – the trust does not provide services to children or vulnerable adults
- Serious incidents – there have been no incidents
- Risks and impact – all risks have been managed adequately and without impact, by trustees during the reporting period.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS THE TRURO CHURCHES TRUST CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR TO 31st MARCH 2024

	2024		2023	
	£	£	£	£
Receipts				
Hire of rooms	22358		15810	
Grant from Truro City Council	5000		5000	
Bank interest	41		15	
		27399		20825
Payments				
Operations lead	5932		6594	
Equipment/furniture	82		48	
Insurance	263		263	
Broadband and telephone	601		402	
Utilities	5581		2888	
Repairs/property	646		690	
Fees/licences	389		621	
Housekeeping/sundries	353		381	
Historic business rates	281		0	
		14128		11887
Surplus for the year				
Accumulated surplus at 31st March 2023		13271		8938
Accumulated surplus at 31st March 2024		16111		7173
		29382		16111
Represented by:-				
Balance at bank and cash in hand at 31st March 2024		29382		16111

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

31st MARCH 2024

Fixed Assets

The charity does not own any freehold property.

Some small items of equipment have been purchased, but these have been written off in the Receipts and Payments Account.

Current Assets

Balance at bank and cash in hand

16111

29382

Current Liabilities

Electricity, gas etc - as estimated by trustees

1500

1000

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by

Alan Stanhope

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Truro Churches Trust CIO

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Truro Churches Trust CIO (the Trust) for the year to 31st March 2024.

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).

In respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Examiner's statement

In conducting my examination, I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any respect:-

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 145(5)(b) of the Act; or
2. The accounts do not accord with those records.

3. I have concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination which should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Anthony Scutell

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the 2011 Act and
given by the CIO

Independent

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of the accounts

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