



Association of Related Churches Great Britain

Trustees' Annual Report

1st January 2023 – 31st December 2023

Charity contact information



The name of the Charitable Incorporated Organisation ("the CIO") is Association of Related Churches Great Britain.

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Charity Trustees

The below listed trustees were the trustees for the CIO throughout the entire period.

1. Mr Luke Benjamin Bryant
2. Mr Steven Dennis Gambill
3. Mr Andrew Townsley Gamble

Objectives and activities

The objectives of the CIO are to:

- a) Advance the Christian faith for the benefit of the public on accordance with the doctrines set out in the statement of faith as described with the CIO constitution's foundational document.
- (b) To establish churches and to help churches grow in number by effectively ministering to the people in their geographical location.
- (c) To provide a mentoring relationship with pastors and churches for guidance, encouragement and fellowship.
- (d) To provide training and resources to churches through a strong network of pastors throughout the Body of Christ.
- (e) To promote the Christian religion by any appropriate form of expression, within any available medium, and in any location in the United Kingdom by combined or separate formation of a church, ministry, charity, school or elementary institution, without limitation.
- (f) To collect and disburse any and all necessary funds for the maintenance of the charity and the accomplishment of its purpose.
- (g) The relief of persons who are in conditions of need, hardship or distress, or who are aged and sick.
- (h) To make distributions to other charitable bodies.
- (i) To promote, encourage and foster any other similar religious, charitable and educational activities; to accept, hold, invest, reinvest and administer any gifts, legacies, bequests, devises, funds and property of any sort of nature.
- (j) To use, expend or donate the income or principal thereof for, and to devote the same to, the foregoing purposes of the charity, and to do any and all lawful acts and things which may be necessary, useful, suitable or proper for the furtherance of accomplishment of the purposes of this constitution. Provider, however, no act may be performed which would violate the terms of this constitution.

The period to which this report relates has again been foundational for the establishment of ARC GB. In the first half of the period, time and energy has predominately been spent ensuring that our systems, technology and practises

are functional and fit for purpose. Particular attention has been paid to the website, social media presence, and the ARC GB Dashboard, an online tool to facilitate the applications, training and transference of information between ARC and its potential church planters. The website, social media handles and ARC Dashboard are now all up and running effectively.

As an organisation ARC GB has relationships at the centre of all it does. Its aim to continue to build upon already existing friendships and relationships between ministers, churches and other Christian networks has continued to expand as well as ensuring that the operational aspects of ARC meet statutory requirements.

This second year for ARC has continued to see it grow in its relational connections and also influence across the nation with a continued emphasis on Hangout Days, which is an opportunity for like-minded pastors and perspective church planters to gather together for leadership training conversation and church planting inspiration. A larger platform for connection teaching and training through the form of a Lead Day was also launched to great success resulting in the first candidates for church planting now being processed into the ARC Dashboard model.

Structure, governance and management

Arc GB is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation and as such is governed by its Foundational Charitable Incorporated Organisation Constitution that was established on 1st December 2021

Trustee recruitment and appointment

There have been no changes to the trustees within the period to which this report relates.

Apart from the first charity trustees as outlined within this report, every trustee must be appointed by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees.

In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO.

Achievements and performance

The main achievement of the CIO during the period was to launch the ARC GB LEAD Day which took place in September at Liverpool One Church, Liverpool.

The event took place on the 26th September 2023 where in excess of 80 Senior Pastors of churches around Great Britain, along with potential church planters were invited for a day of relationship building, teaching and training. The main idea of the day was to start to increase relational ties amongst other churches and networks as we raise the profile and awareness of ARC GB and state the vision and aims of ARC GB with a particular emphasis of church planting and wanting to collaborate resources in an attempt to further advance both the pace and quality of new churches starting out.

Hosted by the ARC GB lead team and invited guests namely Peter Haas and Nate Puccini from Substance Church USA, there was a wealth of church planting and building experience in the room. Both Peter and Nate have also travelled extensively aiding and assisting global networks get off the ground and launch effectively. The wisdom and insight they brought into the room was valuable and greatly appreciated.

The highlight of the day though was that ARC received its first official church planting application from a couple wanting to start a church in the south of England. Along with the worship, preaching and life applicable teaching, people left feeling inspired and encouraged and the feedback received was again overwhelmingly positive. Pastors and planters alike benefited from the low-key relaxed environment that was conducive for life giving conversation and relationships to build and fostered.

Now with all of our systems in place which include an operational website, social media presence and ARC GB Dashboard for the planters and also the establishment of the ARC GB bank account through provider NatWest, ARC is well positioned to start to look ahead for the future with excitement and expectation that more churches will be planted throughout Great Britain.

Financial review

The total amount of income and expenditure for the period was one thousand pounds (£1000) .

Reserves policy

The Board of Trustees has examined the charity's requirements for reserves in light of ARC being a brand new CIO.

It has established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets held by the charity moving forward should be between 1-2 months of the expenditure for the next financial period – duly being noted that this will be the organisations first financial period and funds will be required to be built up over the period once income starts to be received.

The reserves would be needed to meet the working capital requirements of the charity and the Board of Trustees are confident that at this level they would be able to continue the current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding, predominantly because as a startup operational expenditure is anticipated to be low.

The present level of reserves available to the charity of £1000. In the short term the Trustees have also considered the extent to which existing activities and expenditure could be curtailed, should such circumstances arise.

Future plans

In the following year the aims of the organisation are clear to the board of trustees.

We aim to continue building of the success of the local gather events called hangouts with the view of trying to also create an event in the south of England as all events currently have been held in the north. We would like to have a Northern Hangout event in either Q1 or Q2 of 2024 and then a further event preferably before summer in the London area with the view of building new relationships and connections there with other church Pastors and perspective church planters.

We also aim to create a second Lead Day event, a larger, mini conference style day based around teaching and inspiration focussing on church growth and health. This will again be held in Liverpool simply for operational reasons.

The main goal for the period would be to get a church planting couple complete the ARC Dashboard and training model with the view of launching Great Britain's first ARC church towards the end of 2024 or early into 2025 as well as increasing the exposure and brand awareness of ARC to ensure that as the organisation grows, other church leaders and Pastors know that ARC will be a resource available to them.

We will continue to build on the relationships that are already being established with the view of creating an invitation for 'partner' churches who will look to financially support the work of church planting throughout Great Britain.

The Board of Trustees will also seek to expand and build our relational network with other ARC church planting partners and organisations throughout Europe, especially as there is an increased desire to see church plants start on the continent also.

Declaration

Signed on behalf of the charity trustees

Designation

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Luke Bryant
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Name and Position

Luke Bryant - Chairman

Date

10/29/2024



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Association of Related Churches Great Britain

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	01/01/2023	To	31/12/2023
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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 £
A1 Receipts				
	1,000	-	-	1,000
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	1,000	-	-	1,000
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	1,000	-	-	1,000
A3 Payments				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)				
	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,000	-	-	1,000
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	1,000	-	-	1,000

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds		1,000	-
		-	-
		-	-
	Total cash funds	1,000	-

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	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-
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			-
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	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-
			-
			-
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	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-
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			-
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			-

Signed by one or two trustees on
behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

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Luke Bryant
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Luke Bryant
Andy Gamble

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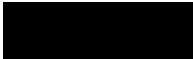
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