

SANDERSTEAD EVANGELICAL CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1197194

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2021-12-17

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT, IS THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATEMENT OF FAITH, IN SUCH PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM AND THE WORLD AS THE CHARITY TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME DECIDE.

Activities: Church activities including, Sunday Services, children and youth work, mission support and evangelism.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Croydon

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£41,678	£16,968	-	-
2023-12-31	£46,369	£16,792	-	-
2022-12-31	£19,322	£7,255	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
DAVID PETER DOWNS		2024-02-12
Georgina Dodoo		2025-12-12
Heather Joy Mann		2021-11-17
James Thomas Hill		2021-11-17

SANDERSTEAD EVANGELICAL CHURCH

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Accounts

Sanderstead Evangelical Church

Hearing God, trusting Christ, loving people

Report and Accounts For the year ending 31st December 2024

Reference and administrative information

Sanderstead Evangelical Church,

82 Limpsfield Road, Sanderstead, South Croydon, Surrey CR2 9EB.

Charity registration number: 1197194

Trustees

The trustees at the date of this report, and during the year under review were James Hill, Alison Wilson, Heather Mann, Carl Andrewartha (Appointed 12/02/24, resigned 14/10/2024), David Downs (appointed 12/02/24).

Bankers

Lloyds TSB Bank plc, George Street, Croydon

CAF Bank plc, 25 Kings Hill Avenue, West Malling, Kent, ME19 4JQ

Independent Examiner

CE Thomson ACA ICAEW, 124 Ranby Road, Sheffield, S11 7AL

Structure, governance and management

The Charity was established as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation on 17th November 2021. On 1st April 2022 it assumed, by way of transfer, all the assets and liabilities of the UK charity registered number 1117042 "Sanderstead Evangelical Church" and began operating on that date.

The Charity is registered with the Charity Commission and is accepted by HM Revenue & Customs as being exempt from tax under the provisions of section 505(1) Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988.

The trustees listed above are responsible for the work of the charity before the charity commission. These trustees appoint other trustees where they feel necessary. The pastoral and spiritual responsibility for the church is overseen by elders who delegate leadership to deacons and a pastoral team. In practice, the trustees and the elders work closely together.

The church is self-governing and independent of any external ruling body. However, unity with other evangelical churches is expressed through informal links with other churches in the area and with Christian organisations and Christian workers, both in this country and overseas.

In the year covered by this report, the Western Counties and South Wales Evangelisation Trust completed the transfer of the freehold of the premises to the trustees of SEC. We refer in more detail to this significant development later in this report.

Objectives and activities

The purposes of the charity, according to its constitution, are the advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with its basis of faith, and the provision of relief and help to persons who are in need or hardship or who are aged and sick. The trustees are aware of, and have complied with, the guidance regarding public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

The church functions through the voluntary unpaid service and active participation of those within the congregation and supporters. They are involved in a wide range of activities, including the teaching, leading and organisation of meetings on Sundays and throughout the week, the teaching

of children and young people, support for the sick and elderly, the maintenance of the premises and its facilities, catering services, prayerful support for the work of the church, and not least the provision of most of its income. The church employs a cleaner for 4 hours a week.

Review of Activities

This year at Sanderstead Evangelical church, we have continued to seek to grow in our relationship with God, grow in our relationships with each other, and grow in our relationship with those around us here in our area in Sanderstead, South Croydon.

Growing in our relationship with God:

We continue to be captivated by the news that God has come in the person of Jesus to bring ordinary people like us into relationship with Him. Every time that we meet, a core element of our time together is spent reading the Bible and having it explained to us. As well as our own in-house Bible teachers, we have received many visiting teachers from other churches. It is remarkable how the news of a God who loves us and has created us to live in relationship with Him brings such liberation and transformation.

A number have joined us this year who have become re-captivated by this news. Others have heard these things for the first time – sometimes drawn in via a conversation with a friend or by seeing the posters on the road.

As well as Bible teaching, we worship God together through music and sharing bread and wine to remember the sacrifice that Jesus made when he went to the cross.

Our 'Sanderstead Sessions', for those younger among us, have grown this year with an excellent team from the church family leading these times parallel to our morning meetings. The team are using material produced by 'Faith in Kids' an inspiring charity who seek to 'equip and encourage parents and churches to raise children who trust in Jesus eternally, providing resources, training, and support to those who influence children's faith'. The Sanderstead Sessions team take safeguarding very seriously with safeguarding training sessions for the leaders, DBS checks carried out for all of the team and policies carefully compiled and followed.

This year, we have launched a series of prayer events, these are times when the church can gather to praise God and to bring requests to Him.

For any church, this growth in relationship with God is key and we pray that we will continue to make this the headline of our activities at Sanderstead Evangelical church.

Growing in our relationship with one another:

With meals out, time in each other's homes, walks together, shared practical activities and more, our growing community has grown in relationships through the year.

During the year we have had regular times of meeting in smaller groups - sometimes in each other's 'homes, on other occasions in the church building. Whether 'home group' events, the men's monthly breakfast, or the women's Bible study, these times together deepen the faith of those involved and serve as a catalyst to grow in our relationships with each other.

One of the features of our fellowship is the belief in the priesthood of all believers. This is a New Testament concept that has shaped the church for two millennia. Among us are many who serve the church community – from preparing meals to leading music, from working on the grounds to bringing Bible teaching.

Our pastoral team aims to serve in such a way that all are cared for and supported through the joys and the challenges of life, meeting up regularly to encourage and support those in the church family. Rather than a CEO structure with an impressive leader, we want to grow into being a community that cares for and serves each other.

In the year ahead, we have various projects designed to help nurture new leaders among us.

Growing in our relationship with those around us.

Some of the highlights of our year have included receiving the theatre company “Artless” for a Christmas production where around 120 heard about the good news of Christmas in a most creative way.

We continue to support the Purley Food Hub and have been involved in trying to help some local people experiencing difficulty in employment, become settled in work.

This year, we are very grateful to the Western Counties trust for the way that they have generously given to us the building that we meet in. We are looking at ways that we can improve the building to facilitate more effectively the work of the church - especially our connection with the wider Sanderstead community - and hope to be able to report more on this next year.

Financial review

Income

The charity was financially dependent during the period on the voluntary support of those within the church and other supporters. No fund-raising activities or events were undertaken.

Total Income for the period was £41,678 of which £38,686 was from offerings and donations to the general fund and £2,763 was from Gift aid claimed on donations, also for the general fund. The church received £228 in investment income (bank interest).

The statement of financial activities shows a surplus of £24,710 in unrestricted funds.

Expenditure

Total expenditure in the period was £16,968, including payments to visiting preachers of £400 and payments to Mission organisation of £3,300

Reserves & Going Concern

Unrestricted reserves at the end of the period were £133,072. Restricted reserves were £861 in the building fund. Total reserves at the year-end were £133,933.

There are no material uncertainties of which the Trustees are aware that affect the charity’s ability to continue as a going concern.

There were no guarantees given by the CIO or net debt at the end of the period.

The trustees are satisfied with the position of reserves at year end.

Trustees’ responsibilities

Charity law requires us as Trustees to prepare financial statements for each accounting period which record the receipts and payments of the charity for the period.

We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable us to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011.

We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to prevent fraud or any other irregularities.

Approved by the managing trustees:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'James Hill', written over a horizontal line.

James Hill, Chair of Trustees

Date: 27th May 2025

Sanderstead Evangelical Church
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
For the year ending 31.12.24

Receipts	Notes	Unrestricted General	Restricted Funds	31.12.24 £	31.12.23 £
Voluntary receipts					
Grants and gifts received		38,686	-	38,687	41,972
Tax refunds under Gift Aid		2,763	-	2,763	4,250
Other receipts				-	
Interest received		228	-	228	147
Total Receipts		<u>41,678</u>	-	<u>41,678</u>	<u>46,369</u>
Payments					
Payments in furtherance of the church's objectives					
Direct costs	2	4,764	-	4,764	3,883
Indirect Costs	3	12,204	-	12,204	12,909
Total Payments		<u>16,968</u>	-	16,968	<u>16,792</u>
Net Receipts before transfers		<u>24,710</u>	-	24,710	<u>29,577</u>
Assets from transfer					
Net Movement in Funds		<u>24,710</u>	-	24,710	<u>29,577</u>
Balances B'fwd		108,362	861	109,223	79,646
Balances C'fwd	6	<u>133,072</u>	<u>861</u>	133,933	<u>109,223</u>

Sanderstead Evangelical Church
STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES
For the year ending 31.12.24

1. Fixed Assets - historic cost

	2024	2023
	£	£
Kitchen	6,717	6,717
Other furniture & Equipment	8,077	8,077
	14,794	14,794

During the year the church premise at 82 Limsfield Road, was transferred in to the ownership of the CIO. The premises have not been valued at the time of this report and so have not been included in the assets above.

2. Bank & Cash Balances

	2024	2023
Bank and Cash	133,933	109,223
	133,933	109,223

3. Other Assets & Liabilities

	2024	2023
	£	£
<i>Assets</i>		
Gift aid tax recovery not yet received	4,903	2,721
Other monetary assets	-	-
	4,903	2,721
<i>Liabilities</i>		
Unbilled fee for Accountancy & Independent Examination	780	730
PAYE & NIC	-	-
	780	730

The notes on pages 9 form part of these accounts.

The accounts were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf on the 27th May 2025

by:



James Hill, Chair of trustees

Sanderstead Evangelical Church
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
For the year ending 31.12.24

1. Accounting Policies

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis with a statement of assets and liabilities. Fund types are Unrestricted and Restricted. There is no endowment fund.

2. Direct costs	General Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Visiting Speakers	400	-	400	400
Evangelism	316	-	316	-
Children and Young People	-	-	-	-
Mission (Note 4)	3,300	-	3,300	1,785
Fellowship	749	-	749	1,698
	4,764	-	4,764	3,883
3. Indirect costs				
Premises (including cleaning)	8,602	-	8,602	9,144
Governance & Support costs	3,602	-	3,602	3,765
	12,204	-	12,204	12,909
4. Mission				
International Needs	300	-	300	285
Bible Society in Israel	750	-	750	500
Faith Baptist Church, Zambia	750	-	750	500
London City Mission	750	-	750	500
SIM	750	-	750	-
	3,300	-	3,300	1,785

5. Employee & Trustee Benefits

There was no pastor employed during 2024 or 2023. The church employs a cleaner 4 hours per week.

There were no payments to trustees or related parties during the year.

6. Movement in Funds	01.01.24 £	Receipts £	Payments £	31.12.24 £
General Fund	108,362	41,678	16,968	133,072
Mission - Church	-	-	-	-
Building Fund	861	-	-	861
	109,223	41,678	16,968	133,933

The building fund is held for the purpose of maintenance and improvements on the church building.

Independent Examiner's Report

To the Trustees of Sanderstead Evangelical Church

I report on the accounts and notes to the accounts for Sanderstead Evangelical Church, Charity number 1197194, for the year ending 31st December 2024. These accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity 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 consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention 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.



Carol Thomson ACA ICAEW

124 Ranby Road

Sheffield

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Date: 28th May 2025

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Under the church constitution, the managing trustees, who are responsible for the management and administration of the church, are the persons who have been elected by the church members as elders and any other persons elected specifically as trustees. The church does not have a pastor at present.

The church is self-governing and independent of any external ruling body. However, unity with other evangelical churches is expressed through informal links with other churches in the area and with Christian organisations and Christian workers, both in this country and overseas.

The freehold of the premises occupied by the church is held by the Western Counties and South Wales Evangelisation Trust, from whom the church leases them at a nominal annual rent of £10. The Trust has decided to abolish the nominal rent, and it has not been payable from 2013. The lease is subject to renewal every 5 years.

Objectives and activities

The purposes of the church, according to its constitution, are the advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with its basis of faith, and the provision of relief and help to persons who are in need or hardship or who are aged and sick. The trustees are aware of, and have complied with, the guidance regarding public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

Our aim is to worship and glorify God in our personal lives and as a church, to increase in faith and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, to grow in holiness of life and conduct, to promote fellowship and harmony between ourselves, and to become increasingly useful as members of society. We are very conscious of the needs of those outside our church. So it is also

our aim to take the Christian gospel to adults and children beyond our membership, to defend the faith, to support evangelism and mission both within and beyond our locality, and to help any who are in need, whatever their beliefs.

The principal activities undertaken by the church to achieve its objectives are:

- the provision of a regular biblical teaching and preaching ministry, open to all;
- regular services of public worship, and public meetings for prayer and fellowship;
- the teaching of children – both the children of church members and other local children;
- the provision and maintenance of premises and facilities for worship, teaching and preaching;
- the distribution of Christian literature;
- events and activities providing a community service and encouraging people to meet with us;
- pastoral care and support for individuals in need, both within and beyond the church;
- financial support for Christian evangelism and mission elsewhere; and
- gifts for relief and development work.

The church is entirely dependent on the voluntary unpaid service and active participation of its members and supporters. They are involved in a wide range of activities, including the operation, and staffing of Sunday services and other meetings, the teaching of children and young people, support for the sick and elderly, the maintenance of the premises and its facilities, catering services, prayerful support for the work of the church, and not least the provision of most of its income. There was no pastor in 2023. The church employs a cleaner for 4 hours a week.

Achievements and performance

“Follow Me!” - Jesus

This year, on the billboards outside of the Sanderstead Evangelical Church (SEC) building, we have continued to share ‘soundbites’ from the ministry of Jesus - as recorded in the Gospels. One of these posters simply quoted Jesus’ invitation, “Follow Me!”

Our prayer as a church is that this call of Jesus Christ would be the message shared through all that we are involved with at SEC.

At the heart of the historical Christian faith is the claim that God has come and made Himself known to a broken humanity in the person of Jesus Christ. Jesus’ death on a cross was in our place - bringing forgiveness to those who put their trust in Him. His resurrection - verifiable historically - was the event that caused the explosive beginnings of the global church that continues to grow around the world - of which, SEC is just one very small local expression.

A Year of Growth

We are very grateful that SEC continues to grow with new individuals and families joining us. We currently have a weekly congregation of about 50.

The church seems to be growing in three particular ways:

- through people coming to faith in Jesus Christ for the first time;

- through those who have a Christian faith but have not been attending a church, choosing to become a part of SEC;
- through some who live close by, but have been travelling a long way to a church, deciding to come to SEC as it is local to them.

A Community that Serves

We are grateful for the way that this growing community is able to support one another and serve together. No one in the church family currently draws a salary from the church, rather, all work together to live out and share Jesus' call, "Follow Me!"

Teams include those serving with hospitality, music, children's work, caring for seniors, gardening, maintenance and administration.

Sunday Mornings

For our Sunday 11am meetings, after a warm welcome and news shared, we sing and pray before continuing to explore the Bible with a 25-30 minute talk from a Bible passage. Approximately half of these talks have been given by one of our leadership team, Andy Mayo, and half by visiting speakers.

On Sunday mornings this year we have studied the following Bible series:

- Psalms - 'Stories & Songs to Start a Year'
- Genesis - 'The Beginning'
- John 18-21 - 'To the Empty Tomb'
- 1 Samuel - 'Prophets & Kings'
- Hebrews - 'The Radiant Son'
- Ezra - 'Homecomings'
- Philemon - 'Lost Property?'
- Matthew - 'The Nazarene King'

Further Developments

Other highlights of our year include:

- our growing children's 'Sanderstead Sessions' with ages ranging from 3-9 years;
- a second home group started in November;
- the popular fortnightly women's study series;
- the growth of our monthly men's breakfast and studies;
- ongoing links with local schools as we are involved with assemblies;
- on 14th May, we held a cafe-style, guest event when the Evangelist Michael Ots spoke on 'What Kind of God?';
- on 19th July, we enjoyed our first 'Pizza in the Park' event together;
- on 22nd July we filled a coach with friends and families to visit Whitstable;
- in September, we held a series of five weekly studies on the Beatitudes, led by Dan Hubbard;
- in November, a new initiative, 'Memory Lane' was launched for seniors from the local community: this is monthly lunch facilitates conversations around the biggest themes;
- in December, we held our annual Carols by Candlelight and various other Christmas events.

In all of these areas, we frequently see many more joining us than was expected - we are grateful for all that has happened during this year.

Looking beyond SEC

We would like to be an outward-looking church and so regularly give financially to five Christian charities: representing work locally and abroad. In December, we held a well attended breakfast where we invited a pastor from Kenya to speak about the work of the charity International Needs in his country.

Looking forward

With our building having been owned and looked after by another charity for a number of years, we are very grateful that the ownership is being transferred to SEC. We hope that this transfer will complete in 2024 enabling us to look at ways to renovate the building and make it more fit-for-purpose for this growing church family.

In the year ahead, we hope to launch various new initiatives. Through it all, our prayer is that we would see the teams among us grow and most of all that we would be personally - and corporately - faithful to the call of Jesus, "Follow Me!"

Financial review

Income

The church was financially dependent during the period on the voluntary support of its members and other supporters. No fund-raising activities or events were undertaken.

Total Income for the period was £46,369, of which £46,222 was from offerings and donations to the General Fund.

The statement of financial activities shows a surplus of £29,577 in unrestricted funds.

Expenditure

Total expenditure in the period was £16,792, including payments to visiting preachers of £400 and payments to Mission organisation of £1,785

Reserves & Going Concern

Unrestricted reserves at the end of the period were £108,362. Restricted reserves were £861 in the building fund.

There are no material uncertainties of which the Trustees are aware that affect the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

There were no guarantees given by the CIO or net debt at the end of the period.

The trustees are satisfied with the position of reserves at year end.

Trustees' responsibilities

Charity law requires us as Trustees to prepare financial statements for each accounting period which record the receipts and payments of the charity for the period.

We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable us to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011.

We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to prevent fraud or any other irregularities.

Approved by the managing trustees:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'James Hill', written over a horizontal line.

James Hill, Chair of Trustees

Date: 13th May 2024

Sanderstead Evangelical Church
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
For the year ending 31.12.23

Receipts	Notes	Unrestricted General	Restricted Funds	31.12.23 £	31.12.22 £
Voluntary receipts					
Grants and gifts received		41,972	-	41,972	19,310
Tax refunds under Gift Aid		4,250	-	4,250	-
Other receipts					
Interest received		147	-	147	12
Total Receipts		<u>46,369</u>	<u>-</u>	46,369	<u>19,322</u>
Payments					
Payments in furtherance of the church's objectives					
Direct costs	2	3,883	-	3,883	4,273
Indirect Costs	3	12,909	-	12,909	7,793
Total Payments		<u>16,792</u>	<u>-</u>	16,792	<u>12,066</u>
Net Receipts before transfers		<u>29,577</u>	<u>-</u>	29,577	<u>7,255</u>
Assets from transfer					72,391
Net Movement in Funds		<u>29,577</u>	<u>-</u>	29,577	<u>79,646</u>
Balances B'fwd		78,785	861	79,646	-
Balances C'fwd	6	<u>108,362</u>	<u>861</u>	109,223	<u>79,646</u>

Sanderstead Evangelical Church
STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES
For the year ending 31.12.23

1. Fixed Assets - historic cost

	2023	2022
	£	
Kitchen	6,717	6,717
Other furniture & Equipment	8,077	8,077
	14,794	14,794

The church also has use of the premises of 82 Limsfield Road, CR2 9EB

2. Bank & Cash Balances

	2023	2022
Bank and Cash	109,223	79,646
	109,223	79,646

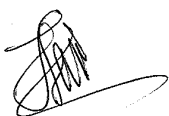
3. Other Assets & Liabilities

	2023	2022
	£	
<i>Assets</i>		
Gift aid tax recovery not yet received	2,721	2,007
Other monetary assets	-	-
	2,721	2,007
<i>Liabilities</i>		
Unbilled fee for Accountancy & Independent Examination	730	690
PAYE & NIC	-	104
	730	794

The notes on pages 9 &10 form part of these accounts.

The accounts were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf on the 13th May 2024

by:



James Hill, Chair of trustees

Sanderstead Evangelical Church
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
For the year ending 31.12.23

1. Accounting Policies

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis with a statement of assets and liabilities. Fund types are Unrestricted and Restricted. There is no endowment fund.

2. Direct costs	General Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
	-			
Visiting Speakers	400	-	400	480
Evangelism	-	-	-	-
Children and Young People	-	-	-	-
Mission (Note 3)	1,785	-	1,785	2,300
Fellowship	1,698	-	1,698	1,493
	3,883	-	3,883	4,273
3. Indirect costs				
Premises (including cleaning)	9,144	-	9,144	6,708
Governance & Support costs	3,765	-	3,765	1,085
	12,909	-	12,909	7,793
4. Mission				
International Needs	285	-	285	300
Piper-Mann Israel Fund	500	-	500	500
Zambia	500	-	500	-
London City Mission	500	-	500	500
Eastons	-	-	-	500
SIM	-	-	-	500
	1,785	-	1,785	2,300

5. Employee & Trustee Benefits

There was no pastor employed during 2023 or 2022. The church employs a cleaner 4 hours per week.

There were no payments to trustees or related parties during the year.

6. Movement in Funds	01.01.23	Receipts	Payments	31.12.23
	£	£	£	£
General Fund	78,785	46,369	16,792	108,362
Mission - Church	-	-	-	-
Building Fund	861	-	-	861
	<u>79,646</u>	<u>46,369</u>	<u>16,792</u>	<u>109,223</u>

The building fund is held for the purpose of maintenance and improvements on the church building.

Independent Examiner's Report
To the Trustees of Sanderstead Evangelical Church

I report on the accounts and notes to the accounts for Sanderstead Evangelical Church, Charity number 1197194, for the year ending 31st December 2023. These accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity 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 consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention 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.



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Date: 13th May 2024

SANDERSTEAD EVANGELICAL CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1197194

Accounts

Sanderstead Evangelical Church
Hearing God, trusting Christ, loving people

Report and Accounts
For the period ending
31st December 2022

Reference and administrative information

Sanderstead Evangelical Church,

82 Limpsfield Road, Sanderstead, South Croydon, Surrey CR2 9EB.

Charity registration number: 1197194

Trustees

The trustees at the date of this report, and during the year under review were James Hill, Alison Wilson, Heather Mann and Andrew Thomson.

Bankers

Lloyds TSB Bank plc, George Street, Croydon

CAF Bank plc, 25 Kings Hill Avenue, West Malling, Kent, ME19 4JQ

Independent Examiner

CE Thomson ACA ICAEW, 124 Ranby Road, Sheffield, S11 7AL

Structure, governance and management

The Charity was established as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation on 17th November 2021. On 1st April 2022 it assumed, by way of transfer, all the assets and liabilities of the UK charity registered number 1117042 "Sanderstead Evangelical Church" and began operating on that date.

The Charity is registered with the Charity Commission and is accepted by HM Revenue & Customs as being exempt from tax under the provisions of section 505(1) Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988.

Under the church constitution, the managing trustees, who are responsible for the management and administration of the church, are the persons who have been elected by the church members as elders and any other persons elected specifically as trustees. The church does not have a pastor at present.

The church is self-governing and independent of any external ruling body. However, unity with other evangelical churches is expressed through informal links with other churches in the area and with Christian organisations and Christian workers, both in this country and overseas.

The freehold of the premises occupied by the church is held by the Western Counties and South Wales Evangelisation Trust, from whom the church leases them at a nominal annual rent of £10. The Trust has decided to abolish the nominal rent, and it has not been payable from 2013. The lease is subject to renewal every 5 years. The current 5-year term commenced on 4 January 2020.

Objectives and activities

The purposes of the church, according to its constitution, are the advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with its basis of faith, and the provision of relief and help to persons who are in need or hardship or who are aged and sick. The trustees are aware of, and have complied with, the guidance regarding public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

Our aim is to worship and glorify God in our personal lives and as a church, to increase in faith and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, to grow in holiness of life and conduct, to promote fellowship and harmony between ourselves, and to become increasingly useful as members of society. We are very conscious of the needs of those outside our church. So it is also our aim to take the Christian gospel to adults and children beyond our membership, to defend the faith, to support evangelism and mission both within and beyond our locality, and to help any who are in need, whatever their beliefs.

The principal activities undertaken by the church to achieve its objectives are:

- the provision of a regular biblical teaching and preaching ministry, open to all;
- regular services of public worship, and public meetings for prayer and fellowship;
- the teaching of children – both the children of church members and other local children;
- the provision and maintenance of premises and facilities for worship, teaching and preaching;
- the distribution of Christian literature;
- events and activities providing a community service and encouraging people to meet with us;
- pastoral care and support for individuals in need, both within and beyond the church;
- financial support for Christian evangelism and mission elsewhere; and
- gifts for relief and development work.

The church is entirely dependent on the voluntary unpaid service and active participation of its members and supporters. They are involved in a wide range of activities, including the operation and staffing of Sunday services and other meetings, the teaching of children and young people, support for the sick and elderly, the maintenance of the premises and its facilities, catering services, prayerful support for the work of the church, and not least the provision of most of its income. There was no pastor in 2022. The church employs a cleaner for 4 hours a week.

Achievements and performance

Under the continued Eldership of Andy Mayo, the Church has grown and we now have a weekly congregation of about 40, including children.

Sunday Sessions have started for children with ages ranging from 3-8 years. A programme is used and adapted to accommodate the wide age range. Attendance does vary from week to week. Once a month, the children stay in for a family service.

The weekly meeting for Prayer and Bible Study has continued in a member's house.

There is a monthly meeting for Ladies for an informal Bible Study, also in a private home. The monthly men's breakfast on a Saturday has also continued with a following Bible Study. All these activities are well supported by Church members and friends.

In September four people were baptised by immersion, supported by a full church of members and friends.

We continue to have various outreach events. In November, we held an encouraging outreach music evening where some from the church shared their Songs and Story. Eight were present who were non- church goers.

We held our annual Carol Service, followed by our six week informal Bible Study (Meeting Jesus) on Monday evenings.

In March, the Church was full for the Thanksgiving Service for the life of one of the founder-members of the Church.

Within the church organisation, four deacons have been appointed.

We are also encouraged to have a regular music team leading our worship in song.

We continue to have as our aim the glory of God and the spread of the Christian message in the district as well as being available to give support and encouragement to any who are in need.

We continue to give regular financial support to several Christian missions in this country and abroad.

Financial review

This is the first period of accounting for the CIO and therefore there are no comparatives within the accounts.

All assets and liabilities from Charity number 1110742 "Sanderstead Evangelical Church" were transferred to the CIO on 1st April 2022. This amounted to a total transfer of £72,391.

Income

The church was financially dependent during the period on the voluntary support of its members and other supporters. No fund-raising activities or events were undertaken.

Total Income for the period was £19,322, of which £19,310 was from offerings and donations to the General Fund.

The statement of financial activities shows a surplus of £7,876 in unrestricted funds and a deficit of £621 on restricted funds, before transfers.

Expenditure

Total expenditure in the period was £12,066, including payments to visiting preachers of £480 and payments to Mission organisation of £2,300.

Reserves & Going Concern

Unrestricted reserves at the end of the period were £ 78,785. Restricted reserves were £861 in the building fund.

There are no material uncertainties of which the Trustees are aware that affect the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

There were no guarantees given by the CIO or net debt at the end of the period.

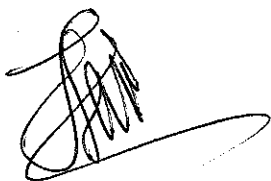
Trustees' responsibilities

Charity law requires us as Trustees to prepare financial statements for each accounting period which record the receipts and payments of the charity for the period.

We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable us to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011.

We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to prevent fraud or any other irregularities.

Approved by the managing trustees:



James Hill

Chair of Trustees

Date: 01/06/2023.

Sanderstead Evangelical Church
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
For the Period 17.11.21 to 31.12.22

Receipts	Notes	Unrestricted General	Restricted Funds	2022 £
<i>Voluntary receipts</i>				
Grants and gifts received		£19,310	-	£19,310
Tax refunds under Gift Aid		-	-	-
		£19,310	-	£19,310
<i>Other receipts</i>				
Interest received		£12	-	£12
Other		-	-	-
Total Receipts		£19,322	-	£19,322
Payments				
<i>Payments in furtherance of the church's objectives</i>				
Direct costs	2a	£4,125	£148	£4,273
Indirect Costs	2b	£7,320	£473	£7,793
Total Payments		£11,445	£621	£12,066
Net Receipts/(Payments) before transfers		£7,876	-£621	£7,255
Transfer from Charity 1110742		70,909	1,482	72,391
Net Movement in Funds	5	£78,785	£861	£79,647
Balances B'fwd		-	-	-
Balances C'fwd		£78,785	£861	£79,647

The notes on pages 8&9 form part of these accounts.

The accounts were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf on

by:



James Hill, Chair of trustees

Sanderstead Evangelical Church
STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES
For the period ending 31.12.22

1. Fixed Assets

	Historic Cost £
The value of the assets transferred in at 01.04.22 are:	
Kitchen	6,717
Other furniture & Equipment	8,077
	14,794

The church also has use of the premises of 82 Limsfield Road, CR2 9EB

2. Bank & Cash Balances

	2022
Bank and Cash	79,647
	79,647

3. Other Assets & Liabilities

	2022 £
<i>Assets</i>	
Gift aid tax recovery not yet received	2,007
Other monetary assets	-
	2,007
<i>Liabilities</i>	
Unbilled fee for Accountancy & Independent Examination	690
PAYE & NIC	104
	794

Sanderstead Evangelical Church
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
For the Period 17.11.21 to 31.12.22

1. Accounting Policies

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis with a statement of assets and liabilities. Fund types are Unrestricted and Restricted. There is no endowment fund.

2a. Direct costs	General Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £
Visiting Speakers	480	-	480
Evangelism	-	-	-
Children and Young People	-	-	-
Mission (Note 3)	2,152	148	2,300
Fellowship	1,493	-	1,493
	4,125	148	4,273

2b. Indirect costs			
Utilities	4,638	-	4,638
Premises (including cleaning)	1,597	473	2,070
Independent examination	840	-	840
Governance (Inc Legal fees)	245	-	245
	7,320	473	7,793

3. Mission

International Needs - child sp	152	148	300
Piper-Mann Israel Fund	500	-	500
Eastons	500	-	500
SIM	500	-	500
London City Mission	500	-	500
	2,152	148	2,300

Sanderstead Evangelical Church
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4. Employees/Trustees benefits

The church employs a cleaner 4 hours per week which is included in Premises in Note 2b.

There were no trustee benefits paid in 2022

5. Movement in Funds	Balance at 17.11.21	Transfer at 01.04.22	Receipts	Payments	Balance at 31.12.22
	£		£	£	£
General Fund	-	70,909	19,322	11,445	78,785
Mission - Church	-	148	-	148	-
Building Fund	-	1,334	-	473	861
	-	72,391	19,322	12,066	79,647

The building fund is held for the purpose of maintenance and improvements on the church building.

Independent Examiner's Report
To the Trustees of Sanderstead Evangelical Church

I report on the accounts and notes to the accounts for Sanderstead Evangelical Church, Charity number 1197194, for the period ending 31st December 2022. These accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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").

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