

Romanian Orthodox Church for Herefordshire and Gloucestershire (ROCEG)

Annual Report and Financial Statements for the period
24th May 2022 to 5th April 2023

Registered Charity No 1199060

Romanian Orthodox Church for Herefordshire and Gloucestershire
(ROCEG)

Financial Report for the period May 24th, 2022 - 5th April 2023

Registered Charity Number

Charity NO : 1199060, registered with Charity Commission on the 4th February 2022.

The Charity is registered with HM Revenue and Customs for Gift Aid (18th July 2023).

Before becoming a charity, we were known as Ledbury Mission.

Registered Address:

6 Dorchester Way , Belmont , Hereford
HR2 7ZP

Charities Trustees who Served in 2022

Catalin Constandis -chair (stepped down on 16th July 2023)

Vasilica Cosmin Savu – Chair (appointed on 16th July 2023)

Cristian Constantin Marmandiu

Iuliana Isac

Madalina Arhip

Florin Sandu

Treasurer

Cristian Constantin Marmandiu

Independent Financial Examiner

Penelope Brown

Objective of the Charity

To bring people to Jesus Christ and to become a member of His family.

To grow as a family sharing God's message and making a difference in people's lives.

To be able to raise enough funds in order to buy a building of our own, to maintain and support not just the Romanian community but also the local people, to add value to the community as a whole.

Main Donations 2022

The main donations raised were in October 2022, when we started our New Fund Church awareness.

As at the moment we are renting the Church Hall from the local Church of England in Ledbury, Herefordshire and we are limited in terms of usage of the building.

Children and Families

ROCEG has done really well with lots of exciting activities for children for the Sunday School.

We have split the children in 3 groups depending on their school year:

Group 1 : from year 6 up

Group 2 : year 2- 5

Group 2 : year 1 and all ages below.

Each of this group is led by a few parents from our congregation who prepare in advance various stories and activities linked to the Bible and

the teachings of the Orthodox Faith in order for the children have a better understanding of the Gospel.

These parents offer their time voluntarily and any supporting material is paid out of the Parish account.

Baptism

During 2022 we had 51 children who were baptised in our Parish.

House Blessing

In January 2023 we have been requested by 105 families to have their house blessed after the Epiphany Sunday as this is part of the Orthodox tradition.

Outreach

With the financial help from the Romanian community, our parish has managed to support various people and organizations as follows:

May 2022: £200 was sent to help Ukrainians refugees in Romania.

Sept 2022: £3400 to help 291 children from Romania to have the stationery and school bags they required in preparation to Starting School.

Sept 2022: £840 for a child called Daniel who suffers with Cancer (London).

25th Dec 2022: £450 for 5 families from our parish to help them with necessary food for Christmas.

Dec 2022: £3100 to buy Christmas Presents for children in a poor village from Iasi, Romania (Coarnele Caprei).

March 2023: £1830 for a family in Romania in need of Shelter.

Statutory Declaration

The trustees of the ROCEG confirm that they do not receive remuneration or other material benefits from their service to the Charity.

Trustee Selection Methods

In accordance with the Constitution, Trustees are appointed or re-appointed for a term of three years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity's trustees.

In appointing Trustees due consideration is given to ensuring that the Trustees have, between them, the skills and experience necessary to manage the charity effectively and in accordance with charity law.

Approved by trustees and sign on their behalf,

Cristian Constantin Marmandiu, Treasurer

Date

27th Jan 2023



Statement of Financial Activity for the period May 2022 to 5th April 2023.

Independent Examiner's Statement

Independent examiner's report to the Committee and Members of Romanian Orthodox Church for Herefordshire and Gloucestershire

I report to the Committee and Members on my examination of the accounts of Romanian Orthodox Church for Herefordshire and Gloucestershire (the Charity) for the financial period ended 5 April 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

The Trustees of the Charity 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 Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 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. This examination is not an audit.

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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Signed:



Name: Penelope M D Brown FCA

Address: 94 Bloomfield Road, Gloucester GL1 5BP

Date: 2/2/2024

Receipts & payments Accounts for the financial period 24th May 2022 to 4th April 2023

Financial Report 24 th May 2022-4 April 2023		
A1:Receipts	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund
General donation Received DD	25,567.85	
Coarnele Caprei Fund		2650.00
House Fund		963.00
Vestments Fund		250.00
New Church Fund		24,400.00
Total Receipts	25,567.85	28,263.00
A2: Payments	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund
Charitable payments	1,690.00	
Rent payments	6,350.00	
Sundry payments	1,480.98	
Sacristy payments	6,709.00	
Coarnele Caprei pymt		2,900.00
Vestments Fund Pymt		670.00
Total Pymts	16,229.98	3,570.00
Net of Receipts – Pymts	£ 9,337.87	£24,693.00
A3:Donations received from Ledbury Mission : £24,811.01		
Total Cash Fund as per Bank Ledger @4th April 2023 : £58,841.88		

Summary of receipts & payments accounts

Financial period 24 th May 2022 - 4 th April 2023		
Actual funds brought Forward	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund
Net Receipts	£ 34,148.88	£24,693.00
Total Funds carried Forward	£34,148.88	£24,693.00

Balance Sheet as @ 4th April 2023

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	£	£	£
Current Assets			
Amounts owing from unrestricted fund		24,693.00	24,693.00
Cash at Bank	58,841.88		58,841.88
Total Current Assets	58,841.88	24,693.00	83,534.88
Liabilities due within one year			
Amounts owing to restricted funds	(24,693.00)		(24,693.00)
Net Assets	£34,148.88	£24,693.00	£58,841.88
Funds of the Church			
Unrestricted fund	34,148.88		34,148.88
Restricted funds		24,693.00	24,693.00
Total Funds	£34,148.88	£24,693.00	£58,841.88