

FUSION CHURCH MORECAMBE CIO
ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDING 5th APRIL 2023

CHARITY DETAILS

Trustees: Andrew Hole (Chair- appointed 2/2/22)
Paula Collins (Treasurer-appointed 2/2/22)
Nicola Hole (appointed 2/2/22)
Tim Collins (appointed 2/2/22)
Jonathan Mullen (appointed 2/2/22)
Helen Mullen (appointed 2/2/22)

Governing Document: Fusion Church 24/5/22

**Charity Registration
number:** 1199073

Registered Address: 20 Battismore Road
Morecambe
LA4 4GQ

The Trustees have the pleasure in presenting the following report on the activities of Fusion Church Morecambe (the CIO) in the past year.

Objects of the CIO

1. To advance the Christian Faith in Morecambe, Lancashire or other parts of the UK or the wider world as the trustees may from time to time consider appropriate, through worship, prayer, teaching, pastoral care and mission work.
2. To promote the wellbeing of the local community and any person within it without prejudice through acts of kindness and giving of time, energy and resources.

Our Purpose to advance the Christian Faith will be achieved through:

- Providing church services and other meetings both in person and online.
- Facilitating corporate worship and promoting personal worship of God.
- Praying for the needs of individuals, including healing prayer, and praying for the needs of the wider community.
- Teaching Christian principles and their application to everyday life.
- Caring for people by listening to their concerns and seeking their sense of wellbeing.
- Promoting the gospel of Jesus Christ in Morecambe, Lancaster and beyond.

Our purpose to promote the wellbeing of the local community and individuals within it:

- Meeting practical, spiritual and emotional needs of people in the local community as the availability of people and financial resources allow at the discretion of the trustees.
- To give financially to those in hardship in the local community and beyond, including supporting other charities, as resources allow at the discretion of the trustees.
- To liaise with other churches, Christian ministries as well as other community agencies to promote the wellbeing of the wider community and to meet specific identified areas of need.
- To seek the wellbeing of every person who comes across the path of Fusion Church, seeing the value of every individual before God.

Structure and management

The CIO is run by a group of 6 trustees, who have oversight of the overall running of the CIO and who meet regularly to monitor activities of the Church and the wider activities of the CIO.

The Church is part of a wider network of independent churches called *Harvest Alliance*, and the church leadership meet regularly with the leaders of Harvest Alliance regionally, nationally and internationally. It continues to collaborate with other churches in Lancaster and Morecambe.

Public Benefit

Any person regardless of race, age, gender, religious belief, cultural background, sexual orientation or disability can benefit from our charitable purposes.

Funding

The CIO relies entirely on donations by members of the church and the associated Gift Aid payment to support its activities. The CIO does not engage in fundraising activities.

Review of Activities

The principal activity of the CIO is the running of Fusion Church, which meets each Sunday morning and also mid-week for fellowship, worship, prayer and Bible teaching. We have regularly prayed for the needs of individuals and have offered informal and structured pastoral care.

The CIO has remained committed to providing support practically, emotionally, spiritually and financially to those within the Church community and beyond. We have done this through hospitality, giving of time and with regular monthly giving and/or one-off gifts.

We have continued to support the charities *Compassion* and *Adopt-a-child* in their work with under-privileged young people around the world. We have given a monthly gift to *CAP* (Christians Against Poverty) to support their work in the local area. We have also continued to give monthly support to a local missionary in Uganda and given an extra one-off gift this year to the work. During the course of the year, the CIO made one-off financial gifts to those in the church community who have been struggling with health struggles and bereavement.

We have met with and supported other local churches in Harvest Alliance Network with the help of resources and joint services to equip one another and advance the Christian Faith.

Trustee training in respect of their safeguarding responsibilities has also taken place.

Future

The CIO will continue to support the Church in achieving its vision, with a focus on drawing in and serving the local community. The CIO anticipates continuing to make financial gifts to local and wider charity and community organisations. We are also hoping to introduce a children's work to the church programme.

Financial Review

Income for the period was £14,848.07. Expenditure was £14,732.84. Cash in the bank as of 5th April 2023 was £46,869.93. The CIO has no employees.

Reserves

	Current Year
Unrestricted Funds	£46,869.93
Restricted Funds	£0
Total Funds	£46,869.93

Approval

This report was approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf on 29th January 2024 by Paula Collins

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**Accounts Summary 24/05/22-
05/04/23**

Incoming

1. Collection	£	640.00
2. Standing Orders	£	5,420.00
3. Direct Credit	£	8,716.00
4. Other	£	-
5. Interest from Bus Prem Account	£	72.07

TOTAL **£ 14,848.07**

Outgoing

1. Rent	£	4,950.00
2. Gifts	£	6,716.42
3. Stationery	£	-
4. Children	£	46.00
5. Sundries	£	96.93
6. Conf/Training	£	895.00
7. Other (insurance, repairs, music)	£	2,028.49

TOTAL **£ 14,732.84**

Excess of INCOME over
EXPENDITURE **£ 115.23**