

**STALYBRIDGE UNITARIAN FREE CHRISTIAN CHURCH AND SUNDAY
SCHOOL
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2024**

I report on the financial accounts of Stalybridge Unitarian Free Christian Church and Sunday School for the year ending 31st March 2024.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and the Examiner

The Treasurer of Stalybridge Unitarian Free Christian Church and Sunday School is responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Trustees consider that an audit is not required and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to examine the accounts in accordance with standard accounting practices and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with standard accounting practices and included:

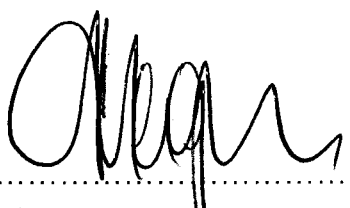
- A review of the accounting records kept by the Trustees;
- A comparison of the accounts presented with those accounts; and
- Consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the Treasurer concerning any such items.

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

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (i) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
 - To keep accounting records in accordance with standard accountancy practice; and
 - To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records have not been met.
- (ii) To which in my opinion attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed.....

ANDREW MAGILTON

Date:..... 8 MAY 2024

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- (iii) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
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Signed.....
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Date: 8 MAY 2024

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS

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FOR STALYBRIDGE UNITARIAN FREE CHRISTIAN CHURCH
AS AT 31st MARCH 2024

Income for year:	£ 60,462.68	
Expenditure for year:		£ 57,908.92
Closing balance for Current Account:	£ 42,917.67	
Closing balance for Sunday School Account:	£ 12,804.48	
Bank Premium Account:	£ 4,024.85	
Cash Account:	£ 288.82	
National Savings Bonds:	£ 40,000.00	
Royal Bank of Scotland (now NAT West)	£ 13,728.92	
BNY Mellon:	£ 946,995.08	
 SUB TOTAL:	 £ 1,121,222.50	 £57,908.92
 TOTAL:	 <u>£1,063,313.58</u>	

All details of the above can be found on the following pages.

STALYBRIDGE UNITARIAN FREE CHURCH
APRIL 2023 - MARCH 2024

INCOME		EXPENDITURE	
	2023-24		2023-2024
<u>Collection</u>		Paid to bank	10629.91
Envelopes	5038.18		
Cash	2064.61	Chalice costs	141.93
Donations	2256.83	Postage & stationery	277.18
Fund raising	4659.13		
		<u>Utilities</u>	
Transfer to S School	6120.00	Gas	2921.36
		Electricity	953.60
Chalice	195.00	Water	447.94
Membership	242.00	Fund raising	436.93
Flower money	220.00	Broadband	670.32
Dividends & interest	23736.76	Memorial garden	2101.00
Cash paid into bank	10629.91	Posters & signs	357.31
Memorial garden	1081.00	Repairs, renewals & maintenance	5519.03
Gift aid	1119.18		
		Organ/organist	1668.00
From S School	980.08	Apple/YouTube	330.76
Coach hire refund	300.00		
		Donations made:	110.00
ECU grant	1000.00		
Polling station	400.00	Gardener/ caretaker:	4032.00
	400.00		
Notice board refund	420.00	Pulpit supply:	900.00
		Magazine subs:	46.00
		Membership:	40.00
		UYPG costs:	1200.67
		To Sunday School:	6120.00
		R of passage	287.00
		Christmas sundries:	512.43
		Insurance:	2466.82

CCLI Music licence	90.30
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Arts & Crafts	112.32
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Flowers	230.00
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Birthday gifts	242.69
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Sundries	1134.90
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World Day of Prayer	154.85
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From Sunday School	980.08
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New toilets	10923.54
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TOTAL	59782.77	45115.33
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SUNDAY SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Opening balance:	19620.08
Income:	6120.00
Withdrawn:	12900.72
Balance carried forward:	12804.48

CURRENT ACCOUNT

Opening balance:	32853.92
Income:	40680.28
Withdrawn:	30616.53
Balance carried forward:	42917.67

SAVINGS ACCOUNT:

Opening balance:	3971.47
Income:	53.38
Withdrawn:	0
Balance carried forward:	4024.85

CASH ACCOUNT:

Opening balance:	56.81
Income:	13608.75
Withdrawn:	13376.74
Balance carried forward:	288.82

INVESTMENTS VALUE AS AT 31st March 2024

National Savings: £40,000.00
Royal Bank of Scotland: £13728.92
BNY Mellon: £946995.08

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR
TO 31ST DECEMBER 2024

for

STALYBRIDGE UNITARIAN FREE CHRISTIAN CHURCH –

Charity Commission registration 1203414

The Charities principal Address is: Forester Drive, Stalybridge, SK15

The Charities Trustees are: Kenneth Howard (Warden)
Wendy Maher (Secretary)
Susan Howard (Treasurer)
Margaret Barber
Clare Bullock
Kathleen Jones
Jennifer Price
Jean Seymour
Susan Shaw
Jeffery Sheehan
Julie Sheehan
Barbara Weltman

1. The Charity is managed by the above Trustees who form the Committee. The Committee is nominated by the congregation following an Annual general Meeting. The nominated Committee meet bi-monthly and formal decisions are agreed at these meetings. The Congregation are updated throughout the year via a bi-monthly magazine.

2. The primary objective is to hold weekly acts of worship for the benefit of the community. Young people are encouraged to attend worship and also to attend Sunday school which is held weekly alongside morning worship.

Regular fund raising activities are held to support the continued use of the Church.

3. We are lucky to have a very stable and continued growth with our congregation. There are a good number of family groups within the congregation.

Performance is measured by the number of regular worshippers each week.

Public benefit is measured by making the building open for appropriate use. For example, weekly, Tots group, art group and craft group. When required the Local Authority use as a polling station.