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1. Introduction

In January 2022 the parishes of Lisvane, Llanishen and Roath Park were merged to form the North Cardiff Ministry Area (NCMA), following a Decree by the Bishop of Llandaff. For the purposes of the Constitution of the Church in Wales, the Ministry Area (MA) is a Parish and the Ministry Area Council (MAC) is a PCC. The Registered Charity Number of the PCC of the NCMA is 1131310.

On 13th December 2022 the PCC of the NCMA accepted the invitation from the Standing Committee of the Governing Body of the Church in Wales and the Representative Body of the Church in Wales to become part of a pilot programme for incorporation of the NCMA as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO).

The application was duly made and on the 7th August 2023 the Charity Commission registered the North Cardiff Ministry Area CIO (NCMA CIO) as a charity and entered it onto the Register of Charities with the Registered Charity Number 1204243.

On 29th August 2023 the Parochial Church Council of the Rectorial Benefice of the North Cardiff Ministry Area resolved to transfer all its assets and liabilities to the North Cardiff Ministry Area CIO. As of 31st December 2024 no such transfer has taken place. As the trustees of both charities are substantially the same, if not the same, the Church in Wales legal department advised that an application would need to be made to the Charity Commission for permission to transfer the assets from the old charity to the new CIO. This application was made in January 2024. In June 2024 the Charity Commission asked the power that would be used to transfer the assets. The trustees asked the Diocese of Llandaff to advise. In March 2025 the diocese advised that there is no applicable power to transfer property available to an unincorporated charity and so the trustees would need to apply for permission from the Charity Commission for a power to transfer property as well as for permission to transfer assets. The trustees are in the process of making this application.

As a result of the above the NCMA CIO has no assets.

This is the first Annual Report that has been prepared for the NCMA CIO and covers the period from 7th August 2023 to 31st December 2024.

2. REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity Number

1204243

Principal Address

37 Church Road
Lisvane
Cardiff
CF14 0SJ

Trustees and Members of the Ministry Area Council

The Ministry Area Council (MAC) is a body containing the trustees of the Ministry Area..

The following were members of the MAC during the relevant period:

Lay Chair

Eleanor Williams

Secretary

Denise Searle

Treasurer

Susan Darracott

Clergy

Revd James Griffiths (Ministry Area Leader)

Revd Canon Elaine Jenkins (Priest-in-Charge)

Revd Siôn Brynach (Associate Priest)

Ross Pilliner (Curate)

Ruth Greenaway-Robbins

MA Leader's Warden

Duncan Shadwell

MA People's Warden

Iain Crighton

Elected Church Representatives

Gerald Bradnum (Christ Church)

Isobel Parry (St Isan)

Marilyn Hillard (St Faith)

Val Jones (Christ Church)

Nick Brown (St Denys)

Safeguarding Officer

Martin Holden

Chair of the Governance and Risk Subcommittee

Martin Holden

Chair of the Finance and Buildings SubCommittee

Pete Allbrook

Independent Examiner

N/A

Bankers

CAF Bank Limited

25 Kings Hill Avenue
Kings Hill,
West Malling,
Kent ME19 4JQ

Co-operative Bank

Hazel House
Caerphilly
CF83 1JN

Nat West

50 Station Road
Llanishen
Cardiff CF14 5Q

HSBC

75 Llandennis Road
Rhydypenau
Cardiff CF23 6EE

Church Architects

Michael Plageman
r+m studio ltd
The Maltings
East Tyndall Street
Cardiff CF24 5EA

Michael Davies
18 Mountain Road
Caerphilly CF83 1HJ

3. STRUCTURE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

3.1 Governing Document

Constitution of the Church in Wales adopted 31st March 1920 as amended on 30th January 2022

3.2 Organisational Structure

The NCMA is part of the Diocese of Llandaff. It comprises four churches: St Denys, Christ Church, St Isan and St Faith. It is governed by the MAC which operates through a number of committees that are responsible to the MAC and assist it in fulfilling its functions and responsibilities. These include Church Committees, the Ministry Area Leadership Team (an executive committee), a Governance Audit and Risk Committee and a Finance and Buildings Committee.

3.3 Induction and Training of New Trustees

There are no formal policies or procedures adopted for the induction or training of Trustees. Trustees are almost invariably already members of the church and so are aware of the goals and aims of the church. Their roles and responsibilities are communicated verbally and through the guidance documents published by the Charity Commission.

4. OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

4.1 Objectives and Aims

The Church in Wales is a province within the Anglican Communion and seeks to advance the Christian religion through world-wide mission. Its calling is to nurture men and women in the faith of Jesus Christ and to aid them to grow in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, so that the good news of God's grace may be clearly proclaimed in the world and that God's Kingdom may be honoured and advanced.

It is the responsibility of the MAC and the clergy to work together and cooperate in all matters of concern and importance to the MA for the promotion of the the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical in the Parish.

As required by the Charities Act 2011, the MAC has given due regard to guidance published by the Charity Commission in respect of the operation of the public benefit requirement. Because the NCMA CIO had no assets for the duration of the relevant period it was unable to undertake any activities to fulfil the MAC's purposes for the public benefit.

4.2 Charitable Activities

4.2.1 Ministry Area

N/A

4.2.2 St Denys

N/A

4.2.3 St Faith & St Isan

6N/A

4.2.4 Christ Church

N/A

4.3 Main Achievements

N/A

4.4 Public Benefit

N/A

5. Financial review

As noted above the NCMA CIO had no assets for the duration of the relevant period.

5.1 State of affairs

N/A

5.2 Fixed assets

N/A

5.3 Investments

N/A

5.4 Reserves policy

5.4.1 Definition

N/A

5.4.2 Purpose of reserves

N/A

5.4.3 Surplus of funds

N/A

5.4.4 Monitoring and review

N/A

6. Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

Financial statements are required to be prepared for the MA for each financial year which give a true and fair view of its state of affairs at the balance sheet date of the income and expenditure for the year then ended. These financial statements are required to be examined by independent examiners and copies made available to parishioners. In preparing these financial statements the trustees will have due regard to:

- Selecting suitable accounting policies and applying them consistently
- Making judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- Observing applicable Accounting Standards
- Preparing the financial statements on a going concern basis.

The trustees (who are members of the MAC) are responsible also for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the MA and for safeguarding its assets.

The above report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

Approved and signed on behalf of the the Board of Trustees.



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James Griffiths, Ministry Area Leader

30th June 2025

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Date