

LIBERTY CHURCH WIRRAL

1-7 Whetstone Lane
Birkenhead
Wirral, Merseyside
CH41 2QS

Trustees Report: Year ending 31st December 2023

16th January 2023

Insurance

For 2022-23 we had insurance which covered public liability and employers liability. Currently it expires on 17th January 2023. A new policy to include buildings and contents will be purchased from AXA insurance for 2023-24.

1st Floor development

Estimates to clear the first-floor area prior to remodelling have been updated and we are currently planning a crowdfunding campaign to address the £36000 cost. (Best estimate to date). The aim is to create a multi-purpose space which could host training, theatre events or conferences. Pete Hart has compiled a list of technical items needed to create a 21st century space.

Basement Development

Work is almost complete to create The Live Room space and studio in the basement area. Pete Townshend has pledged equipment to the tune of £15000 to populate the recording studio. Bob Goldsborough has provided art works and currently is working on murals on the stairways. The studio will be set up as a commercial venture by Pete Hart with a negotiated share for the charity to be agreed. The foodbank area use must be defined. Hannah Gregory has some ideas to discuss for this space.

Finances

The profit / loss account is attached and reports a significant improvement compared to last year.

Warm Space

Liberty Church has been accepted as a grant-provided warm space which will launch in January 2023. Funding by crowdfunding (in the late David Quigleys name) has been launched and match funding from Co-op has been procured. The centre will open on Sundays from 4-8p and on Mondays from 10am – 2pm. Volunteer training will be provided.

Safeguarding

Thankfully there have been no serious issues reported in 2023 and Hannah Gregory has updated all our policies. (She has used AoG model statements). In particular, up -to-date Health and Safety policies have been created and PPE purchased and made available to volunteers working on construction and remodelling within the centre.

2023 Plans

Vision for 2023 include getting the 1st floor ready for development and the completion of the basements. Efforts to increase income by increasing rental of the various spaces and for the café to reopen. The centre should be 100% up and running by the end of the year.

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Financial Activities

January - December 2022

	TOTAL
Income	
Dave the hat	135.00
Grants and Gifts	6,300.00
Awards for ALL	10,000.00
Total Grants and Gifts	16,300.00
Insurance Payout	20.00
Miscellaneous	894.30
Refunds	-32.28
Rent received	5,320.00
Room Rental	1,244.00
Total Rent received	6,564.00
Sale of Assets	50.00
Sales	25.00
Services	221.70
Tithes & Offerings	14,085.76
Unapplied Cash Payment Income	77.50
Total Income	£38,340.98
TOTAL	£38,340.98
Expenditures	
AoG Conference and Training	306.00
Bank Service Charges	43.18
Books and Publications	859.91
Cafe / Kitchen equipment	255.78
Cafe Supplies	4,249.16
Charitable Contributions	122.27
Christmas stuff	42.95
Cleaning and Hygiene	56.11
Consumables	392.25
Consumables - DiY	167.84
Contract Labour	165.62
Dues and Subscriptions	683.67
Emergency Repairs	394.38
Events	58.42
Gifts and Donations	287.99
Health and Safety	309.08
Insurance	396.64
Internet	269.68
Motor Expense	686.58
Printing and Reproduction	126.52
Professional Fees	252.40
Repairs	874.40
Repair and maintenance	2,857.65
Total Repairs	3,732.05
security	522.89
Social Program	25.10

	TOTAL
Software Expense	426.59
Stationery	102.25
Subscriptions	2,240.76
Telephone	321.85
Travel & Ent	30.00
Uncategorised Expenditure	-500.82
Uncategorized Expenses	90.00
Utilities	5,389.78
Van Insurance	266.56
Volunteer Expenses	35.61
Website	1,577.00
Worship Area	806.79
Total Expenditures	£25,192.84
NET OPERATING INCOME	£13,148.14
Other Income	
Cafe income	2,751.84
Gift Aid	4,596.37
Other Miscellaneous Income	65.76
Total Other Income	£7,413.97
Other Expenditures	
Childrens Work	29.99
Fire Alarm Service	427.01
Pastoral Services	1,586.26
The Live Room	11,217.14
Total Other Expenditures	£13,260.40
NET OTHER INCOME	£ -5,846.43
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	£7,301.71



Section A **Independent Examiner's Report**

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Liberty Church Wirral

On accounts for the
year ended

31st December 2022

Charity no (if any)

247826

Set out on pages

Pages one - two

**Respective
responsibilities of
trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- To follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, 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 general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 the 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**


In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect,:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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 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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:



Date:

22/01/2023

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qualification(s) or body (if
any):

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