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# Trustees' Report for Liberty Church Wirral

Charity Number: 247826

## Introduction

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## Activities and Achievements

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- Following the untimely death of our member, Dave Quigley, we raised cash to enable us to offer food items and assistance to the needy in our community
- We created a warm space for community use. Our pop-up cinema proved to be very popular for families on a Saturday morning.
- Our church annual conference in Cefn Lea was well attended and plans are in place to do it again in 2024. Dave and Sue Latham were our guest speakers
- Our room hire is progressing well with Wirral Mencap, The BEE project, Wirral Ways continuing to bring in much needed income.
- We registered for PayRoll and have started to employ Tim for 5 hours per week We are hopeful that this might increase in 2024.

## Financial Review

Our financial position remains stable. Key financial highlights include:

- Total income: £68821
- Total expenditure: £43615
- The Profit and Loss account is attached for a clearer breakdown of financial activities.
- With our income increasing it is now time to use an accountant to process finances – starting on the 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 2024

## **Governance**

The trustees have diligently fulfilled their responsibilities, ensuring compliance with legal and regulatory requirements. We have maintained effective financial controls and risk management processes. Our safeguarding policies have all been updated.

## **Future Plans**

Looking ahead, Liberty Church Wirral aims to:

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- Fundraising will begin to replace the tatty frontage and to repair the loose rendering on both sides of the building.

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We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our dedicated church members, volunteers, supporters, and the local community for their unwavering commitment to our cause.

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## Financial Activities

January - December 2023

	TOTAL
Income	
Catering	85.50
Cefn Lea 2023	408.00
Crowdfunder	4,555.59
Dave the hat	6,690.00
Grants and Gifts	
Pete Townshend	15,000.00
<b>Total Grants and Gifts</b>	<b>15,000.00</b>
Rent received	3,706.00
Room Rental	162.50
<b>Total Rent received</b>	<b>3,868.50</b>
Sale of Assets	468.54
Sales of Product Income	565.00
The Live Room Glasgow	143.49
Tithes & Offerings	37,036.69
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£68,821.31</b>
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Expenditures	
AoG Conference and Training	1,280.00
AoG Dues and Subscriptions	
Church Conference (Cefn Lea)	3,194.75
<b>Total AoG Dues and Subscriptions</b>	<b>3,194.75</b>
Bank Service Charges	71.64
Books and Publications	835.66
Building Compliance	576.94
DBS checks	103.70
<b>Total Building Compliance</b>	<b>680.64</b>
Buildings Insurance	1,467.75
Cafe / Kitchen equipment	1,202.40
Cafe Consumables	120.84
Cafe Supplies	5,977.86
Christmas stuff	229.61
Cleaning and Hygiene	353.06
Consumables	379.98
Consumables - DiY	1,519.14
Discipleship Items	335.50
Dues and Subscriptions	189.78
AoG membership subscriptions	220.00
BarclayCard Card processing	166.68
Canva	43.95
Dues and Subscriptions	39.00
Right Now Media	180.00
Spotify	124.88
TV licence	251.75
WeAreWorship	59.90

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January - December 2023

	TOTAL
Worship Tools	229.07
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<b>Total Dues and Subscriptions</b>	<b>1,634.24</b>
Emergency Repairs	389.48
Gifts and Donations	546.99
Health and Safety	650.48
Internet	459.31
Motor Expense	785.29
Auto	146.60
Fuel	426.38
Parking	134.00
<b>Total Motor Expense</b>	<b>1,492.27</b>
Multimedia	3.99
Payroll Expenses	
Wages	200.00
<b>Total Payroll Expenses</b>	<b>200.00</b>
Postage and Delivery	42.56
Printing and Reproduction	108.24
Professional Fees	312.00
Repairs	2,106.90
Repair and maintenance	6,250.03
<b>Total Repairs</b>	<b>8,356.93</b>
security	845.79
Social Program	-53.00
Software Expense	522.29
Dues and Subscriptions	330.86
<b>Total Software Expense</b>	<b>853.15</b>
Stationery	316.58
Subscriptions	1,353.85
Telephone	245.79
Travel & Ent	111.00
Uncategorised Expenditure	384.92
Uncategorized Expenses	0.00
Utilities	2,971.90
Chilled Water	361.03
Electricity	1,680.00
Gas	300.15
Waste Collection	860.81
Water Bill	300.62
<b>Total Utilities</b>	<b>6,474.51</b>
Van Insurance	294.46
Volunteer Expenses	536.10
Worship Area	407.39
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>£43,615.86</b>
<b>NET OPERATING INCOME</b>	<b>£25,205.45</b>

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January - December 2023

	TOTAL
Other Income	
Cafe income	4,915.26
Gift Aid	2,182.50
Hospitality	930.60
Other Miscellaneous Income	0.00
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>£8,028.36</b>
Other Expenditures	
Advertising and Marketing	53.34
Children's work	335.14
Fire Alarm Service	477.83
Pastoral Services	766.02
The Live Room	399.86
Pete Townshend Grant spend	14,227.96
<b>Total The Live Room</b>	<b>14,627.82</b>
<b>Total Other Expenditures</b>	<b>£16,260.15</b>
NET OTHER INCOME	<b>£ -8,231.79</b>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	<b>£16,973.66</b>

Cash Basis Monday, 17 June 2024 08:55 am GMT+01:00

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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name  
Liberty Church Wirral

On accounts for the year  
ended

31<sup>st</sup> December 2023

Charity no  
(if any) 247826

Set out on pages

one

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 / 12 / 2023**.

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you 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 Trust'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.

Independent  
examiner's statement

~~[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [x] if not applicable.~~

**I have completed my examination.** I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (~~other than that disclosed below \*~~) 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 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.

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

Signed:

Date: 17/06/2024

Name:

Sorin Zinulescu