

PENNEFATHER MEMORIAL HALL

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

31 DECEMBER 2023

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES ON THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

The Trust was established by a Deed of Gift dated 14 November 1906 by which money was set aside to erect the hall and for its upkeep when erected. On 13 April 1908 the Vicar, Canon Henry Trotter, conveyed to the Trustees part of the glebe land on which the hall was subsequently constructed.

The Trust is a registered charity with the Charity Commission under no. 251573.

Besides the Pennefather Memorial Hall, the Trust also owns 8 Wentworth Road. This was acquired in 1978 from the proceeds of sale of 96 Wentworth Road and with the aid of a loan, since repaid, from Christ Church PCC. 96 Wentworth Road had been bought in 1966 as a residence for the assistant member of staff at Christ Church Barnet.

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty to take due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers and duties.

The Trustees have considered the major risks to which they may be exposed and have sought to ensure that the appropriate steps have been taken to mitigate those risks.

The receipts and payments account shows an excess of payments over receipts for the year of £779. This is after paying £9,180 for major works at 8 Wentworth Road. The general reserve at the end of the year amounts to £12,464. There were no major works in the hall during the year. The Trustees have agreed a reserves policy, in line with Charity Commission guidance, of retaining a reserve equivalent to at least three months expenditure and the reserve exceeds this figure.

The Trustees who served during the year were:
Mr Roger Seaton (Hon. Secretary and Treasurer)
Mrs Caroline Dixon
Mr Roger Saint

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

Roger J. Seaton
8 October 2024

**PENNEFATHER MEMORIAL HALL
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

	2023	2022
	£	£
RECEIPTS		
Receipts from nursery school	16,740	17,370
Sundry hall lettings	14,888	8,063
Charge to Christ Church Barnet PCC for:		
Hall	-	-
8 Wentworth Road	483	431
Bank interest	102	16
	32,213	25,880
PAYMENTS		
Pennefather Hall		
Gas	5,997	5,547
Electricity	3,755	4,132
Water and sewerage	809	970
Sundry repairs	1,933	2,078
Insurance	3,487	3,283
Cleaning	7,202	6,802
8 Wentworth Road		
Insurance	483	431
Major repairs	9,180	-
Accountant's fee	96	-
Bank charges	50	-
	32,992	23,243
Excess of payments over receipts for the year	(779)	2,637
Balance brought forward, 1 January 2023	13,243	10,606
Balance carried forward, 31 December 2023	12,464	13,243

PENNEFATHER MEMORIAL HALL**STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES AS AT 31 DECEMBER**

	2023	2022
	£	£
Accumulated funds		
Receipts and payments account	<u>12,464</u>	<u>13,243</u>
Represented by:		
Cash on COIF Charities Deposit Fund	1,748	1,675
Cash at bank	10,716	11,568
	<u>12,464</u>	<u>13,243</u>

Note:

The Trustees own the Pennefather Hall (valued for insurance purposes at £4,026,000) and 8 Wentworth Road, Barnet, Herts (at rebuilding valuation, £300,000).

Signed on behalf of the Trustees on 8 October 2024

Roger Seaton

Caroline Dixon

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE PENNEFATHER MEMORIAL HALL

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023, which are set out on pages 2 and 3.

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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 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

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records

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.

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

Richard Hill FCA
For and on behalf of
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Date: 14 October 2024