

Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees of Spencer Bridge Road Gospel Hall Trust Fund

I report on the Accounts for the year 5th April 2024 which are set out on the attached pages.

The Charities Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Charities Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under the section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

Examine the Accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act.

To follow the procedure laid down in the general directions given by the Commision under section 145 of the 145 (5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Gospel Hall Trust and a comparison of the accounts and seeking explanations from you as 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 has been given as to whether the accounts present a true and fair view, and the report is limited to those matters set out in the next statement.

In connection with my examination no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

1. To keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act, and
2. To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act.

Have not been met or:

To which in my opinion attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Susan Strachan 

dated 3rd July 2024

Mortgage Consultant (retired)

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Spencer Bridge Road Gospel Hall Trust

Receipts & Payments Account

For the year ended 5 April 2024

	General Fund	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	2024 Total	2023 Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Receipts					
General Offerings	20,608.50	515.00	5,035.00	26,158.50	19,746.00
Missionary	-	2,450.00	-	2,450.00	6,650.50
Romania	1,495.00	-	1,607.00	3,102.00	3,396.00
Gift Aid Reclaimed	2,325.00	-	2,536.25	4,861.25	4,159.66
Sundry Income	-	-	-	-	565.48
Bible Exhibition	-	-	-	-	507.00
Investment Income					
Bank interest	-	-	22.02	22.02	2.06
Total Receipts	24,428.50	2,965.00	9,200.27	36,593.77	35,026.70
Payments					
Payments for Charitable activities					
Speaker Expenses	4,718.00	-	-	4,718.00	5,396.00
Missionary Gifts	-	7,350.00	1,087.50	8,437.50	12,150.50
CCPAS	145.00	-	-	145.00	288.25
YP Weekend	30.24	-	-	30.24	-
Publicity/Tracts	3,346.10	-	-	3,346.10	5,551.16
Light & Heat	3,862.30	-	-	3,862.30	2,049.23
Sundries	2,225.13	-	-	2,225.13	3,161.34
Cleaning	610.51	-	-	610.51	697.70
Insurance	-	-	1,780.53	1,780.53	1,594.82
Water Rates	393.24	-	-	393.24	306.15
Repairs & Renewals	-	-	5,117.67	5,117.67	15,358.19
Youth & Children's Work	-	149.67	-	149.67	319.35
Romania Expenses	1,495.00	-	2,758.25	4,253.25	5,289.43
Catering	1,030.22	-	-	1,030.22	213.90
Website, Zoom, Facebook	388.10	-	-	388.10	600.03
Total Payments	18,243.84	7,499.67	10,743.95	36,487.46	52,976.05
Excess of Payments over Receipts	6,184.66	(4,534.67)	(1,543.68)	106.31	(17,949.35)
Transfer between funds	(4,900.00)	4,900.00	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	1,284.66	365.33	(1,543.68)	106.31	(17,949.35)
Funds brought forward	1,907.18	239.01	11,474.52	13,620.71	31,570.06
Closing fund balances	3,191.84	604.34	9,930.84	13,727.02	13,620.71

Spencer Bridge Road Gospel Hall Trust

Statement of Balances

As at 5 April 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
Bank & Cash in hand		
General Fund - Lloyds Account	3,191.84	1,907.18
Building Fund - Skipton Building Society	1,494.07	1,472.05
Building Fund - Lloyds Account	8,386.61	9,373.56
Treasure Seekers Fund - Lloyds Account	604.34	239.01
Romania Fund - Cooperative Current Account	50.16	628.91
Total Net Assets	13,727.02	13,620.71

Represented by:

Unrestricted funds

General Fund	3,191.84	1,907.18
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Designated funds

Children's Work Fund	604.34	239.01
Missionary Support Fund	-	-

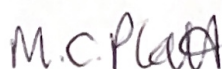
Restricted funds

Building Fund	9,880.68	10,845.61
Romania Fund	50.16	628.91
	13,727.02	13,620.71

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees in November 2024 and signed on their behalf by the undernoted:



Brian Barton
Trustee/Treasurer



Michael Platt
Trustee

THE GOSPEL HALL
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INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5th APRIL 2024

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<u>INCOME</u>		
General	20,608.50	13,472.50
T/Seekers	515.00	0.00
Missionary	2,450.00	6,650.50
Romania	1,495.00	1,653.00
Trust	4,820.00	5,513.50
Bible Exhibition <i>Seedsowers</i>	0.00	507.00
Light & Heat	0.00	0.00
GA Refund	2,325.00	1,805.91
Sundry	0.00	340.00
	<u>32,213.50</u>	<u>29,942.41</u>
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		
Speakers Expenses	4,718.00	5,396.00
Miss. Gifts	7,350.00	10,855.50
Publicity Tracts	3,346.10	5,551.16
Sundries	2,225.13	3,161.34
Light and Heat	3,862.30	2,049.23
Water	393.24	306.15
Holiday Bible Club	0.00	0.00
YP Weekend	30.24	0.00
Cleaning	610.51	697.70
Treasure Seekers	515.00	0.00
Romania	1,495.00	1,728.00
CCPAS	145.00	288.25
Teen Night	0.00	89.24
Trust	4,820.00	5,513.50
Catering	1,030.22	213.90
Bible Exhibition <i>Seedsowers</i>	0.00	0.00
Web, Zoom, IT, Facebook	388.10	600.03
	<u>30,928.84</u>	<u>36,450.00</u>
Shortfall/Excess Of Income over Expenditure	<u>1,284.66</u>	<u>- 6,507.59</u>

BALANCE SHEET
As at 5th April 2024

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<u>Assets</u>		
Lloyds Current Account	3191.84	1907.18
	<u>3191.84</u>	<u>1907.18</u>
<u>Funded by</u>		
As at 6th April	1907.18	8414.77
Excess/Shortfall for the year	1,284.66	-6507.59
As at 5th April	<u>3,191.84</u>	<u>1907.18</u>

Juan Strachan

Notes to General Fund Accounts

Year Ended 5th April 2024

Missionary Gifts (Expenditure) were distributed as follows

J. Black	£600
Stuart & Bethan Scammell	£1,000
Ian Campbell	£555
Andy Mullen	£1,000
Dan Rudge	£505
Kingfisher Camp	£560
Brian Howden	£1,000
Carl Knott	£360
J. Watson	£500
S. Baker	£800
M. Shanks	£470
Total	£7350

Larger Items in Sundry Expenses

Needy Saints	£850
Electrical testing/repairs	£642.28
Smiths Fire	£192
Contribution to Camp Fees	£240

Queries with regard to any of these accounts should be addressed as follows;

General Fund: Brian Barton, Building Fund: Bill Culley

Children's Work: Bill Culley, Romania: Brian Barton

SPENCER BRIDGE ROAD GOSPEL HALL TRUST FUND
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
YEAR ENDED 5th APRIL 2024

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<u>INCOME</u>		
Offerings	4,820.00	5,513.50
Gift Aid Tax Recovered - Gross	4,861.25	4,159.66
Building Society Interest	22.02	2.06
Miscellaneous Receipt	0.00	0.00
TOTAL INCOME	9,703.27	9,675.22
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		
Insurance	1,780.53	1,594.82
Solicitors Fees	0.00	0.00
Repairs and Renewals	5,117.67	888.59
Gift Aid Tax Recovered - Allocated Spencer Bridge	2,797.50	1,935.91
Gift Aid Tax Recovered - Allocated Non Spencer Bridge	972.50	1,295.00
Boiler Replacement	0.00	14,469.60
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	10,668.20	20,183.92
EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE	-964.93	-10,508.70

SPENCER BRIDGE ROAD GOSPEL HALL TRUST FUND
YEAR ENDED 5th APRIL 2024

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Skipton Building Society	1,494.07	1,472.05
Lloyds Bank Current Account	8,386.61	9,373.56
	9,880.68	10,845.61
<u>REPRESENTED BY</u>		
Accumulated Fund b/fwd at 5th April 2023	10,845.61	21,354.31
Excess of Income over Expenditure	-964.93	-10,508.70
Accumulated Fund c/fwd at 5th April 2024	9,880.68	10,845.61

Jason Strachan

SPENCER BRIDGE ROAD CHILDRENS WORK
TREASURE SEEKERS AND TRANSFORMERS
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
YEAR ENDED 5th APRIL 2024

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<u>INCOME</u>		
Offerings	515.00	0.00
Bank Refund & Bank Interest	0.00	0.00
Gift Aid Tax Recovered	0.00	0.00
TOTAL INCOME	515.00	0.00
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		
Trip Expenses	0.00	0.00
Treasure Seekers Prizes	37.20	0.00
Sweets - Treasure Seekers	0.00	0.00
Magazines	0.00	0.00
Attendance Prizes	0.00	0.00
Material - Childrens Campaign	112.47	55.11
Toddlers Zone	0.00	0.00
Camp Work (Kingfisher and York Street)	0.00	175.00
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TOTAL EXPENDITURE	149.67	230.11
EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE	365.33	-230.11

SPENCER BRIDGE ROAD CHILDRENS WORK
BALANCE SHEET as at 5th APRIL 2024

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Cash at Bank	604.34	239.01
	604.34	239.01
<u>REPRESENTED BY</u>		
Accumulated Fund b/fwd at 5th April 2023	239.01	469.12
Excess of Income over Expenditure	365.33	-230.11
Accumulated Fund b/fwd at 5th April 2024	604.34	239.01

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INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5th April 2024

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<u>INCOME:</u>		
Assembly Gifts	1280.00	893.00
SBR Offerings	215.00	760.00
Personal Gifts	327.00	850.00
Sundries	0.00	225.48
WMF	0.00	0.00
Gift Aid Tax	357.50	130.00
	<u>2179.50</u>	<u>2858.48</u>
<u>EXPENDITURE:</u>		
Travel Exp/Transport	1779.00	1585.05
Boxes	156.00	0.00
Tools	248.92	1887.35
Gifts	0.00	0.00
Tent Work	574.33	0.00
Sundries	0.00	89.03
	<u>2758.25</u>	<u>3561.43</u>
(SHORTFALL)/EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE	<u><u>-578.75</u></u>	<u><u>-702.95</u></u>

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 5th April 2024

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<u>ASSETS:</u>		
Co-op current A/C	50.16	628.91
	<u><u>50.16</u></u>	<u><u>628.91</u></u>
<u>FUNDED BY:</u>		
As at 6th April (current a/c)	628.91	1331.86
(Shortfall)/Excess For The Year	-578.75	-702.95
As at 5th April	<u><u>50.16</u></u>	<u><u>628.91</u></u>

Juan Strocher

Spencer Bridge Road Gospel Hall Trust

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Annual Report 2023/24

The Trustees met on three occasions during the year. Members of the church were invited to attend the AGM to give them an opportunity to question trustees on any issues. There was a good attendance and interest shown. A presentation was made of works completed and planned. Advin Puduveetil joined as a new trustee but no other changes were agreed. All officers continued in their roles.

Main matters attended to during the year were:

1. Repair to wall adjoining the main entrance to the carpark was repaired. The entrance was widened to avoid further collisions.
2. Damp Proofing remediation and repainting in entrance foyer (next to toilets)
3. Electrical repairs and improvement were made including fitting of a new LED strip light on upstairs landing and replacement of smoke alarms
4. A deep clean of the kitchens including ovens was completed.
5. Extra storage was added to the downstairs kitchen
6. Income received (after payment of the costs of running, maintaining and developing the premises) was disbursed practically through the church's accounts for its various activities in Christian evangelical work, including humanitarian aid, and administered by the assembly elders.

Michael Platt



Chair of Trustees.