

THE BEACONSFIELD CHURCHES CHRISTIAN TRUST

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

Constitution

The trust was established by a Deed of Trust dated 15th February 1980. It was registered with the Charity Commission on 9th June 1980 – No. 279776. It was amended by a Variation of Trust Deed dated 8th June 2015 and further Variation of Trust Deed dated 5th January 2018.

Registered Address

Denmill, 12 Reynolds Road, Beaconsfield, Bucks. HP9 2NJ

Trustees

The Trustees during the year were:-

	Date of appointment
Tom Holyer	25 th October 2018
Tom Johnson	25 th October 2018

Officers

Tom Holyer	Chairman
John Posgate	Secretary and Treasurer

Bankers

Barclays Bank Plc.

Solicitors

Fairchild Dobbs & Co., Oak House, Oak End Way, Gerrards Cross, Bucks.SL9 8BR

Independent Examine

Mr Donald Fraser, Kirren House, 8 Blyton Close, Beaconsfield, Buckinghamshire. HP9 2LX.

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing document

The Trust was established by a Deed of Trust dated 15th February 1980 and amended by Deed of Variation dated 8th June 2015 a further Deed of Variation dated 5th January 2018.

Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees

The general management and control of the Trust is vested in the Trustees who are appointed from the following people:

The Existing Trustees

Providing always that there are no more than four trustees at any time and no fewer than two.

Risk Management

Appropriate financial controls have been in place for many years to minimise the risk of misappropriation of Charity assets.

Organisation structure

The charity's trustees and officers shall meet twice a year and obtain written reports on the status of each project.

The Trustees are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity.

Objectives and Activities

The object of the Trust is to promote the Christian religion and to express it in care for the community through social action in the United Kingdom and abroad.

The Trust pursues this object by instituting various projects, some of which have now become self-administered and are therefore no longer projects of the Trust. A Sub-Committee is appointed for each project and is responsible for the financing and administration of their project.

Achievement and Performance

The Charity continues to administer Sharon International Ministries

Ongoing project

Sharon International Ministries – The Sub-Committee consists of Tom Holyer, Tom Johnson and Lorraine Johnson.

The project is run in India by a group of medical doctors who provide free health-care to the poor in their area. The Holyers became involved in Beaconsfield in 2006 when they first met Doctor Sam Karra, who is the inspiration behind the school. This was adopted as a project on 25th September 2008.

It has since been extended to build a school in Gunter region of Andhra Pradesh.

There are now 928 pupils at the school, 46 pupils took the school leaving Certificate, 94% passed in the First Class category and 6% in the Second Class Category.

Financial Review

Review of the Charity's financial position.

Copies of the accounts for the year ended 31st March 2024 are attached, at which date the Trust had “free assets” of £401. Restricted Funds totalled £132,731 compared with £7,568 in the previous year.

Principal financial management policies.

The Charity exists to fund the financial requirements of the various projects.

With regards to Reserves Policy it is the responsibility of the Sub-Committees of each project to maintain adequate reserves. It is considered that such reserves should not be less than six months normal running costs.

Investment policy.

During the year the Indian Government stopped foreign currency crediting charities in India. The Trustees have re-applied and hope to get permission to change this shortly. In the meantime funds are being retained until this permission is granted.

Plans for future periods

The Trustees propose to continue to raise funds for the project in India.

Statement of Trustees’ Responsibility in respect of the financial statements

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Trust and of the financial activities of the Trust for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;

Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and

Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Trust will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Trust and which enables them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011.

They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Trust and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities

Trustees and Committee Members

The Trustees who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out at the beginning of the Trustees’ Report.

In accordance with charity law we certify that:

So far as we are aware, there is no relevant information of which the Trust’s Independent Examiner is unaware; and

As the Trustees of the Trust we have taken all the steps that we ought to have taken in order to make ourselves aware of any relevant information and to establish that the charity’s Independent Examiner is aware of that information.

Independent Examiner

A resolution to reappoint Mr Donald Fraser of Kirren House, 8 Blyton Close, Beaconsfield, Buckinghamshire. HP9 2LX as Independent Examiner will be proposed at the forthcoming annual general meeting.

On behalf of the Trustees on 23rd July 2024

Tom Holyer

Trustee

BEACONSFIELD CHURCHES CHRISTIAN TRUST
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31ST MARCH 2023

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds Sharon	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£
CURRENT ASSETS				
Cash at Bank and in Hand	401	132,731	133,532	7,969
NET CURRENT ASSETS	<u>£401</u>	<u>£132,731</u>	<u>£133,532</u>	<u>£7,969</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS	<u>£401</u>	<u>£132,731</u>	<u>£133,532</u>	<u>£7,969</u>

The attached notes form part of these Accounts

Tom Johnson Trustee

Tom Holyer Trustee

Approved on 23rd July 2024

BEACONSFIELD CHURCHES CHRISTIAN TRUST
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

1. Accounting Policies

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

2. Voluntary Income

	2024	2023
	Restricted	Restricted
	Funds	Funds
	Sharon	Sharon
	£	£
Donations from Churches and individuals	154,635	22,078
Gift Aid Tax Recovery	2,763	2,504
	<u>£157,398</u>	<u>£24,582</u>

3. Activities for Generating Funds

Proceeds of lunches, concerts and card sales.

<u>£1,526</u>	<u>£410</u>
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4. Charitable Activities

Remittances to Centres

<u>£33,450</u>	<u>£21,500</u>
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Costs of performers

5. Other resources expended

Bank charges

<u>£312</u>	<u>£42</u>
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TRUSTEES REPORT

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**BEACONSFIELD CHURCHES CHRISTIAN TRUST
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES**

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31st March 2024, which are set out on pages 1 to 3.

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(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 procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of independent examiner's report

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 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 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 matter has come my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with sections 130 of the 2011 Act and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Acthave not been met, or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mr Donald Fraser FCA
Kirren House
8 Blyton Close
Beaconsfield
Buckinghamshire
HP9 2LX

Dated 12th August 2024

BEACONSFIELD CHURCHES CHRISTIAN TRUST
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds Sharon	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	Note	£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Voluntary Income	2	0	157,398	157,398	24,582
Activities for generating funds	3	0	1,526	1,526	410
Total Incoming Resources		<u>0</u>	<u>158,924</u>	<u>158,924</u>	<u>24,992</u>
 RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Charitable Activities	4	0	33,450	33,450	21,500
Other Resources					
Expended	5	0	312	312	42
Total Resources Expended		<u>0</u>	<u>33,762</u>	<u>33,762</u>	<u>21,542</u>
NET INCOMING/ (OUTGOING) RESOURCES		0	125,162	125,162	3,450
BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD		<u>401</u>	<u>7,568</u>	<u>7,969</u>	<u>4,519</u>
		401	132,730	133,131	7,969
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD		<u>£401</u>	<u>£132,730</u>	<u>£133,131</u>	<u>£7,969</u>

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