

**MAYFLOWER CHRISTIAN BOOKSHOPS
CHARITY TRUST**

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MAYFLOWER CHRISTIAN BOOKSHOP

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 MARCH 2024**

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TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

The Trustees have pleasure in presenting their report and the Financial Statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Reference and Administrative Details of the Charity

The charity's full name is The Mayflower Christian Bookshops Charity Trust. Its registration number with the Charity Commission is 282845. The principal office of the charity is: 114 Spring Road, Bitterne, Southampton, SO19 2QB.

The charity Trustees during the year were as follows:-

Mr R Patten
Pastor M Stocker (Chairman)
Mr M Taylor

Structure, Governance & Management

The governing documents of the charity comprise a Deed of Covenant dated 31 March 1977 and a Trust Deed dated 17 March 1981.

Recommendations as to suitable trustees may be made by officers and members of Spring Road Evangelical Church. The actual selection and appointment is then made by the existing Trustees.

The charity is managed by a part-time Bookshop Manager, who is appointed by the trustees and supported by approximately 12 volunteers all of whom are members of, or associated with, Spring Road Evangelical Church.

Objects and Activities

The objects of the Charity are the advancement of the Christian faith by the establishment of a Christian Bookshop or Bookshops for the sale and distribution of Christian books and literature; and to prepare, print, publish and sell, wholesale or retail, such Christian books and literature.

Achievements and Performance

The charity has continued its work of distributing Bibles, good Christian books and other literature, Sunday School materials and Day School Resources Manuals. Sales continued at a steady rate throughout the year, with an increase in sales of stationery and similar items. Overall, there was a deficit of just under £600.

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Public Benefit

In carrying out its activities in the year under review, the trustees have had regard to the public benefit guidance issued by the Charity Commission, and are satisfied that the activities mentioned above have all been for the public benefit.

Financial Review

The results for the period are set out on page 4. The Trustees regularly review the reserves of the charity to ensure that sufficient liquid funds are available to meet ongoing obligations, maintaining the deposit account for emergency reserves, after which the assets would be used for collateral. A buffer loan, initially £2,000, is available from Spring Road Evangelical Church.

Investment Policy

The Charity has insufficient monies available for investment purposes to warrant a formal investment policy at the present time.

Grants Policy

Discounts are given on purchases made by pastors, students studying for the Christian ministry and Christian organisations.

Registered Office:
114, Spring Road
Bitterne
Southampton, SO19 2QB

By Order of the Trustees

Date: 4 July 2024

Trustee

 (Michael Tatcor)

M. A. Stocks (Mark Stocker)

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
MAYFLOWER CHRISTIAN BOOKSHOPS CHARITY TRUST
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I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024 set out on pages 4 to 10.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and independent examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 44(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 Commissioners 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 the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which give 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.



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4 July 2024

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

Incoming Resources	Note	2024 Unrestricted £	2024 Restricted £	2024 Total £	2023 Unrestricted £	2023 Restricted £	2023 Total £
Voluntary income		107	-	107	1,345	128	1,473
Activities for generating funds:							
Sales (stationery & other items)		8,597	-	8,597	8,466	-	8,466
Investment & rental income		7,142	-	7,142	6,888	-	6,888
Incoming resources from charitable activities:							
Sales (Christian literature)		9,849	76	9,925	8,682	-	8,682
Total Incoming Resources		25,695	76	25,771	25,381	128	25,509
Resources Expended							
Cost of Generating Funds:	2	3,158	-	3,158	4,183	155	4,338
Charitable Expenditure	3	23,179	19	23,198	22,345	-	22,345
Total Resources Expended		26,337	19	26,356	26,528	155	26,683
Net Incoming/(Outgoing) Resources before transfers		(642)	57	(585)	(1,147)	(27)	(1,174)
Transfer between Funds		-	-	-	-	-	-
Movement in Funds		(642)	57	(585)	(1,147)	(27)	(1,174)
Funds brought forward		35,198	200,375	235,573	36,345	200,402	236,747
Funds carried forward		34,556	200,432	234,988	35,198	200,375	235,573

The notes on pages 6 to 10 form part of these accounts.

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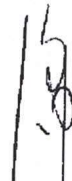
Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2024

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Note	2024 Unrestricted £	2024 Restricted £	2024 Total £	2023 Unrestricted £	2023 Restricted £	2023 Total £
<u>Fixed Assets</u>						
Tangible Fixed Assets	128	200,000	200,128	490	200,000	200,490
<u>Current Assets</u>						
Stocks	19,894	-	19,894	19,939	-	19,939
Debtors	310	-	310	484	-	484
Cash at bank & in hand	17,774	432	18,206	17,470	375	17,845
	<u>37,978</u>	<u>432</u>	<u>38,410</u>	<u>37,893</u>	<u>375</u>	<u>38,268</u>
<u>Creditors</u>						
Amounts due within one year	3,550	-	3,550	3,185	-	3,185
Net Current Assets	<u>34,428</u>	<u>432</u>	<u>34,860</u>	<u>34,708</u>	<u>375</u>	<u>35,083</u>
Net Assets	<u>34,556</u>	<u>200,432</u>	<u>234,988</u>	<u>35,198</u>	<u>200,375</u>	<u>235,573</u>
Financed by:						
Funds	34,556	200,432	234,988	35,198	200,375	235,573

Approved by the Trustees on 4 July 2024

Trustee

 (M.A. Stone)

Trustee

The notes on pages 6 to 10 form part of these accounts.

M.A. Stone (M.A. Stone)

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year ended 31 March 2024

1. Accounting Policies

The following accounting policies have been used consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the charity's financial statements:

(a) Accounting Convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard 102, subject to the disclosure exemptions permitted for smaller entities. The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value, with the exception of the revaluation of freehold property.

(b) Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are included in the SOFA when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. For legacies, entitlement is the earlier of the charity being notified of an impending distribution or the legacy being received.

(c) Expenditure

All expenditure is included on an accruals basis and is recognised when there is a legal or contractual obligation to pay for expenditure and is net of VAT which is recoverable.

(d) Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Tangible fixed assets costing more than £250, other than freehold property, are capitalised and included at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is provided on all such assets on a straight-line basis at a rate of 20%, in order to write them off over their expected useful lives.

The freehold property has an estimated useful life that renders the associated depreciation to be immaterial, and accordingly no provision for depreciation is made. This asset is subject to regular reviews to consider whether any material increase or impairment in its value has occurred. In the year under review, the trustees have concluded that the book value based on a revaluation carried in a prior year is reasonable, so no adjustment has been made.

(e) Going concern

At the time of approving the accounts, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees have continued to use the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year ended 31 March 2024 (Cont.)

2. Cost of Generating Funds

	2024	2024	2024	2023	2023	2023
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Advertising	-	-	-	136	155	291.00
Fundraising trading: cost of goods sold	3,158	-	3,158	4,047	-	4,047
	3,158	-	3,158	4,183	155.00	4,338

3. Charitable Activities

<u>Core Costs</u>						
Christian books & related expenses	5,081	19	5,100	5,073	-	5,073
Staff costs	10,996	-	10,996	9,992	-	9,992
	16,077	19	16,096	15,065	-	15,065
<u>Support Costs</u>						
Rates & Water	504	-	504	771	-	771
Light & Heat	1,572	-	1,572	1,657	-	1,657
Cleaning & Refuse collection	134	-	134	197	-	197
Building & equipment maintenance	922	-	922	1,043	-	1,043
Insurance	2,185	-	2,185	2,180	-	2,180
Photocopier & printing costs	12	-	12	-	-	-
Bank charges	296	-	296	89	-	89
Depreciation	363	-	363	363	-	363
	5,988	-	5,988	6,300	-	6,300
<u>Administration Expenses</u>						
Telephone & internet	462	-	462	406	-	406
Miscellaneous	72	-	72	14	-	14
Independent Examination	580	-	580	560	-	560
	1,114	-	1,114	980	-	980
	23,179	19	23,198	22,345	-	22,345

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year ended 31 March 2024 (Cont.)

4. Employees

	2024 Unrestricted £	2024 Restricted £	2024 Total £	2023 Unrestricted £	2023 Restricted £	2023 Total £
Wages and Salaries	10,849	-	10,849	9,867	-	9,867
Pension scheme costs	147	-	147	100	-	100
Staff training & welfare	-	-	-	25	-	25
	<u>10,996</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,996</u>	<u>9,992</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,992</u>

The average number of employees was 1 (2023, 1).

5. Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration during the year. Expenses incurred on behalf of the charity totalling £nil were paid to trustees (2023: £nil).

6. Fixed Assets

Cost	Freehold Property	Furniture & Fittings	Other Equipment	Total
Brought forward	200,000	3,122	22,571	225,693
Additions	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-
Carried forward	<u>200,000</u>	<u>3,122</u>	<u>22,571</u>	<u>225,693</u>
Depreciation				
Brought forward	-	3,122	22,081	25,203
Charge for the Year	-	-	362	362
Written out on disposals	-	-	-	-
Carried forward	<u>-</u>	<u>3,122</u>	<u>22,443</u>	<u>25,565</u>
Net Book Value, 31/03/24	<u>200,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>128</u>	<u>200,128</u>

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6. Fixed Assets (continued)

	Freehold Property	Furniture & Fittings	Other Equipment	Total
Net Book Value, 31/03/23	200,000	-	490	200,490
Net book value 2024 represented by:				
Unrestricted Funds	-	-	128	128
Restricted Funds	200,000	-	-	200,000
	200,000	-	128	200,128

7. Stocks

	2024 Unrestricted £	2024 Restricted £	2024 Total £	2023 Unrestricted £	2023 Restricted £	2023 Total £
Books & other zero-rated items	18,132	-	18,132	18,324	-	18,324
Standard-rated items	1,762	-	1,762	1,615	-	1,615
	19,894	-	19,894	19,939	-	19,939

8. Debtors

Trade Debtors less doubtful debts	310	-	310	244	-	244
Gift Aid refund due	-	-	-	240	-	240
	310	-	310	484	-	484

9. Creditors

Trade and other Creditors	2,886	-	2,886	2,447	-	2,447
Other taxes & social security	84	-	84	178	-	178
Accruals	580	-	580	560	-	560
	3,550	-	3,550	3,185	-	3,185

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year ended 31 March 2024 (Cont.)

10. Restricted Funds

Endowment Fund

This fund holds the freehold property at 114, Spring Road, Bitterne, Southampton.

Mayflower Bible Notes and Lessons Fund

To finance the production and distribution of Mayflower Bible Notes.

Fund Name	2024			2024			2024			2023			2023			2023		
	B/f £	Movement in Resources		Fund Transfers £	C/f £	2024	B/f £	Movement in Resources		Fund Transfers £	C/f £	2023	Movement in Resources		Fund Transfers £	C/f £	2023	
		Incoming	Outgoing					Incoming	Outgoing				Incoming	Outgoing				
Endowment Fund	200,000	-	-	-	200,000		200,000	-	-	-	200,000		-	-	-	200,000		
Mayflower Bible Notes & Lessons	375	76	(19)	-	432		402	128	(155)	-	375							
	200,375	76	(19)	-	200,432		200,402	128	(155)	-	200,375							

11. Related party transactions

During the year under review the charity received grants totalling £nil (2023: £nil) from Spring Road Evangelical Church, a church of which all of the charity's trustees are members.

In the year, the charity sold items to the value of £1,048 (2023: £690) to the church.

At 31 March 2024, the church owed the charity £nil (2023: £nil).