



# welbeck road evangelical church

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Taking Jesus seriously in today's world

## Trustees Annual Report on 25th October 2021

For the period from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021

Registered charity number **508712**

### **Governance:**

Our governing document is our constitution. The charity, constituted as a trust, currently has four trustees appointed, when necessary, by the church members. Members meet four monthly for business meetings.

### **Objectives and activities:**

The proclamation of the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the local neighbourhood and the world by preaching and teaching the evangelical Christian faith. Sunday morning & evening worship services. Sunday school for primary school aged children. A weekly Prayer and Bible study meeting. Since the Covid-19 lockdown, 23/3/2020, our children and youth clubs, parent and toddlers, lunch clubs and morning assemblies at nearby primary schools were terminated. We have been unable to run church services in two local care homes. Donations were made to relief and missionary organisations in the UK and overseas.

### **Achievements and performance:**

During the pandemic, by using Zoom technology, we have maintained our morning and evening Sunday worship services and weekly Prayer and Bible study meeting with good attendance. We have reached out to our local community with financial support of two local food banks and one needy individual.

The church employs (i) a full time Pastor (ii) a part time Children and Youth worker, CYW, since 12/11/2020 and (iii) a cleaner.

To keep contact with children who regularly attend, four weekly videos of teaching, craft, quizzes and singing were made and available on YouTube for local children and parents. In the same way daily material for a four-day "holiday club" was available in July. Both these initiatives proved popular. Our new CYW made five illustrated teaching videos for our three local primary schools which were well received. A printed 16-page Safeguarding Policy is applied. Our Health & Safety Policy and certificate of Employers' Liability Insurance are displayed. A Fire alarm, smoke sensors & fire extinguishers protect the church.

### **Financial review:**

Our financial commitment is the 3 salaries and building maintenance. Donations are given by church members and congregation. The church annual income was £78,043 to 31/3/21, including gift aid relief. A deacon is the treasurer. Four church officers meet every 6 weeks and review the financial position. A financial report is presented in February, June and October at church members' business meetings. There is no official reserves policy. Bank balance on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 was £77,082.

Annual accounts are externally independently examined by a chartered accountant.

**Trustees:** Mr Nigel Jones, Mr David Lovelock, Mr Jonathan Prest and Mr Paul Scorer.

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Full name: Nigel Andrew Gordon Jones [Trustee] Date 25th October 2021

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Charity Number 508712

Pastor: David Larmour 4, Richmond Terrace, Felling, Gateshead. NE10 9PY; Tel. 0191 440 5107

**Welbeck Road Evangelical Church (Registered Charity Number 508712)**

**Receipts and Payments Account for the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

	£
<b>Receipts:</b>	
Gift Aid Donations	39,288.70
Non-Gift Aid Donations	26,209.28
Tax Refunds	12,173.96
Other	371.65
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>78,043.59</b>
<b>Payments:</b>	
Staff Costs	44,122.91
Building Costs	5,108.79
Mission Giving & Covid support	11,110.00
Visiting Speakers	146.00
Craft, Food & Flowers	647.92
IT Software & Consumables	1,022.33
Printing & Stationery	104.32
Membership Costs (FIEC, etc.)	1,200.00
Travel	64.80
Other	4,291.40
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>67,818.47</b>
<b>Surplus / (Deficit)</b>	<b>10,225.12</b>
<b>Balance b/f</b>	<b>66,857.10</b>
<b>Balance c/f</b>	<b>77,082.22</b>

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**Receipts and Payments Account for the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity for the year ended 31 March 2021, which are set out on page 1.

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 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

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



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