



welbeck road evangelical church

Taking Jesus seriously in today's world

Trustees Annual Report on 3rd September 2024

For the period from 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024

Registered charity number **508712**

Governance:

Our governing document is our constitution. The charity, constituted as a trust, has four trustees appointed, when necessary, by the church members. Church 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; children and youth clubs, parent and toddler group, were run regularly. From time to time, we hold church services in two local care homes.

Achievements and performance:

We continue with good attendance. Donations were made to UK based relief and missionary organisations. We use Zoom technology to allow the elderly and sick, at home, to engage with our meetings. The church employs (i) a full time Pastor (ii) a part time Children and Youth worker, CYW, and (iii) a cleaner.

A three-day "Holiday Club" was held in July with 38 different children attending overall. Our CYW is involved with voluntary basketball coaching once a fortnight in a local primary school. We run a lunch club for two different age groups in another nearby primary school. Over lunchtime, on a Wednesday in term time, we run a free open drop in lunch event for any person who wishes to come called "The Well".

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 £80,649 to 31st March 2024, including gift aid relief. Total expenditure was £73,261. A deacon is the treasurer. Three church officers met every 6 weeks and reviewed the financial position. There is no official reserves policy. A financial report is presented in February, June and October at each church members' business meetings.

The church bank balance on 31st March 2024 was £36,371.

Annual accounts are externally and independently examined by a chartered accountant.

Trustees: Mr Nigel Jones, Mr David Lovelock, Mr Paul Scorer and Mr Rodney Aiken.

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) dated 3rd September 2024

Welbeck Road Evangelical Church, Welbeck Road, Byker, Newcastle upon Tyne NE6 2HU.

Charity Number 508712

Pastor: David Larmour 756, Durham Rd., Low Fell, Gateshead. NE9 7TA; Tel. 0191 440 5107

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Receipts and Payments Account for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

	£
Receipts:	
Gift Aid Donations	43,262.00
Non-Gift Aid Donations	25,220.49
Tax Refunds	11,762.31
Other	405.01
TOTAL	80,649.81
Payments:	
Staff Costs	42,282.82
Building Costs	14,166.12
Mission Giving	8,136.00
Visiting Speakers	630.00
Craft, Food & Flowers	1,313.72
IT Software & Consumables	326.40
Printing & Stationery	883.50
Membership Costs (FIEC, etc.)	550.00
Travel	1,285.51
Other	3,687.60
TOTAL	73,261.67
Surplus / (Deficit)	7,388.14
Balance b/f	28,983.26
Balance c/f	36,371.40

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Receipts and Payments Account for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity for the year ended 31 March 2024, 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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