

**DONCASTER EVANGELICAL CHURCH**

**REPORTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2024**

**Registered Charity Number 511214**

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## **DONCASTER EVANGELICAL CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2024**

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The Trustees present their report together with the financial statements for the year ended the 31st of March 2024.

#### **Reference and Administrative details**

##### **Charity Number**

511214

##### **Trustees and Principal Officers**

Rev G.W. James  
G. Dixey  
A. Plumb  
K.J. Proudman  
R. Smith  
A. Stone

##### **Secretary and Principal address**

A. Hamilton -Plumb  
14, Sunningdale Road,  
Hatfield Woodhouse,  
Doncaster.  
DN7 6PE

##### **Independent Examiner**

C.G. Walker  
24, Woodsett Walk,  
Conisbrough,  
Doncaster.  
DN12 3BH

##### **Bankers**

**HSBC  
High Street,  
Doncaster DN1 1EE**

##### **Solicitor**

None appointed

## **DONCASTER EVANGELICAL CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2024** **(continued)**

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#### **Structure, Governance and Management**

##### **Constitution**

Doncaster Evangelical Church was formed as a charitable unincorporated association and is constituted under a Trust Deed dated 1983 (as set out in the Church Members' Handbook).

##### **Recruitment and appointment of trustees**

Trustees are appointed, removed or replaced from existing Church members by resolution passed at a members' meeting.

##### **Risk management**

The pastor, Gareth James, and the trustees exercise spiritual oversight and manage the day-to-day affairs of church life, reporting to regular members meetings.

The church property is held in trust by 4 registered persons on behalf of the membership.

The church is in the process of forming a charitable incorporated organisation which will then take ownership of the property.

##### **Safeguarding**

All trustees, paid and voluntary workers dealing with children, young adults and older adults are all trained in safeguarding, and all have current DBS certificates

The safeguarding policy is updated to cover changes in legislation, and specialist advice is available if needed.

The church is committed to be fully compliant with the safeguarding policy, in which clear guidelines are set out to report any issues that may arise. Should such an issue arise then proper guidelines are in place to offer appropriate pastoral care.

#### **Objectives and Activities**

##### **Objects**

- The advancement of the Christian religion by the proclamation and furtherance of the gospel and proclaiming Jesus Christ to be Lord and Saviour, and to preach and teach the Word of God, in accordance with the Statement of Faith of the Fellowship of the Independent Evangelical Churches.
- To carry out other charitable works as shall further the attainment of the above object.

## **DONCASTER EVANGELICAL CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2024** **(continued)**

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#### **Structure, Governance and Management (continued)**

##### **Activities**

- During the year live services have continued each Sunday in both the morning and the evening. These services have continued to be live streamed to enable those isolating or shielding, to participate. We also know that other people in various parts of the world have been able to worship with us, either as the service is broadcast or at a later time.
- Those members and friends without the internet are supported by fellow church members.
- Pastoral oversight of all members has been maintained throughout the year.
- Prayer meetings have continued on zoom and new groups have been established.
- Bibles have been placed outside the church for local people to take away and read.
- Weekday activities continue on the church premises for mother and toddlers, prayer meetings on several days, mid-week bible study, the Ark Club for children to school year 6, and teenage meetings. During the year another group for 18-30's has been established, together with a monthly bible study group for ladies.
- Regular mid-week missionary evenings continue to be held, and financial support continues to be made to UK based Christian charities, as well as those working overseas.

##### **Public benefit**

All this has ensured that as a registered charity the requirements of charity law relating to public benefit have been complied with.

#### **Achievements and Performance**

##### **Financial Review**

The annual accounts are attached.

##### **Reserves Policy**

Reserves have increased and the reserve policy requirements have been complied with in that at least 3 months expenditure has been provided within the general fund.

##### **Plans for Future Period**

We have been encouraged by the number of new worshippers attending live services and our aim is to nurture them and integrate them into the life of the church. We have been blessed with the arrival of many people from other countries and are working on integrating these into the church life.

## **DONCASTER EVANGELICAL CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2024** **(continued)**

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#### **Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements**

The Trustees are responsible for preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the surplus or deficit for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the Charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice 2015 as applicable to the Financial Reporting Standard (FRSSE) 2015.

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

**Andrew Hamilton- Plumb**

**Secretary**

**Dated: November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

## **DONCASTER EVANGELICAL CHURCH**

### **REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER TO THE TRUSTEES OF DONCASTER EVANGELICAL CHURCH**

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I report on the accounts of Doncaster Evangelical Church for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024, which are set out on pages 6 to 11.

#### **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 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charity's Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Charity's Act);
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charity's Act); and
- 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 to my attention:

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

**Signed:** Catherine Gillian Walker

**Date:** November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**Address:** 24, Woodsett Walk,  
Conisbrough,  
Doncaster,  
DN12 3BH.

## **DONCASTER EVANGELICAL CHURCH**

### **RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT** **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2024**

	Unrestricted Fund		Restricted Fund	Endowment Fund	Total Funds 2024
	General	Designated			
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>RECEIPTS</b>					
Deeds of covenant / gift aid	40,564	-	-	-	40,564
Small Donations / gift aid	5,205	-	-	-	5,205
Donations / gift aid	-	-	1,800	-	1,800
Income tax recovered	11,452	-	450	-	11,902
Other offerings and gifts	19,847	-	-	-	19,847
Donations	1,180	-	-	-	1,180
HMRC Employment Allowance	3,468	-	-	-	3,468
Bank Interest	555	-	387	-	942
Sundries	4	-	-	-	4
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>82,275</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,637</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>84,912</b>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>					
Stipends and related costs	49,276	-	-	-	49,276
Pulpit supply	1,065	-	-	-	1,065
Children's and young people's work	227	-	-	-	227
Bibles and Hymn Books	639	-	-	-	639
Purchase of IT equipment	21	-	-	-	21
Website	1,478	-	-	-	1,478
Printing and publicity	636	-	-	-	636
Safeguarding & First Aid Training	519	-	-	-	519
Legal Fees	2,509	-	-	-	2,509
Accountancy charges	350	-	-	-	350
Accounting systems	279	-	-	-	279
Fire protection and Security	-	-	-	-	-
Provisions	922	-	-	-	922
CCL copyright licence	483	-	-	-	483
Sundry expenses	390	-	-	-	390
Light and heat	3,799	-	-	-	3,799
Telephone	201	-	-	-	201
Insurance	2,672	-	-	-	2,672
Cleaning and maintenance	2,503	-	-	-	2,503
Bank Charges	115	-	-	-	115
Repairs	3,132	-	-	-	3,132
Donation to FIEC	1,380	-	-	-	1,380
Donations and grants to other Christian work	4,390	-	-	-	4,390
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>76,986</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>76,986</b>
Asset and Investment purchases	1,352	-	-	-	1,352
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>78,338</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>78,338</b>
<b>NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR YEAR</b>	<b>3,937</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,637</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,574</b>
Transfer between funds	(4,000)	4,000	-	-	-
Net movement in funds in year	(63)	4,000	2,637	-	6,574
Cash funds brought forward	37,993	12,000	28,043	-	78,036
<b>Cash funds carried forward March 31 2024</b>	<b>37,930</b>	<b>16,000</b>	<b>30,680</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>84,610</b>



**DONCASTER EVANGELICAL CHURCH**  
**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2024**

	Unrestricted Funds General £	Designated £	Restricted Fund £	Endowment Fund £	Total £
<b>Cash Funds</b>					
<b>HSBC Charitable Bank Account (Current Account)</b>					
General Fund	13,668	-	-	-	13,668
2nd Worker Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Major Repair Fund	-	-	-	-	-
<b>HSBC Business Managers Account (Deposit Account)</b>					
General Fund	24,262				24,262
Major Repair Fund		16,000			16,000
2nd Worker Fund	-	-	30,680	-	30,680
Total cash funds at March 31 2024	<u>37,930</u>	<u>16,000</u>	<u>30,680</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>84,610</u>

	Unrestricted Funds General £	Designated £	Restricted Fund £	Endowment Fund £	Total £
<b>Other monetary assets</b>					
Tax refund due from HMRC	2,616	-	113	-	2,729
	<u>2,616</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>113</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,729</u>

	Funds to which asset belongs	Cost	Current Value
<b>Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>			
<b>Freehold land and buildings</b>			
1994 Purchase of Wentworth Hall	Unrestricted - General	131,270	
1995 Additional building work to Wentworth Hall	Unrestricted - General	12,864	
1997 Church Sign, additional electrics	Unrestricted - General	1,642	
1999 Additional windows	Unrestricted - General	1,850	
2000 Additional building work to Wentworth Hall	Unrestricted - General	7,886	
2002 Building creche in stage area	Unrestricted - General	2,873	
2003 Building creche in stage area	Unrestricted - General	2,800	
2004 Building creche in stage area	Unrestricted - General	2,345	
2005 Building extension at side	Unrestricted - General	1,047	
2006 Building extension at rear	Unrestricted - General	5,120	
2017 Disabled ramp for Fire Exit at rear	Unrestricted - General	719	
2018 Disabled ramp	Unrestricted - General	610	
2023 Humidistat	Unrestricted - General	574	
2023 outdoor electric sockets	Unrestricted - General	239	
		<u>171,839</u>	
<b>Furniture and fittings</b>			
1996 Chairs, Church Sign, decorating	Unrestricted - General	2,745	-
1997 Fencing Chairs, curtains, & suspended ceiling	Unrestricted - General	13,291	-
1999 TV, video & bookcases	Unrestricted - General	595	-
2000 Chairs, Kitchen Units & Communion Table	Unrestricted - General	2,374	-
2002 Table & Chairs	Unrestricted - General	1,423	-
2003 Bookcase & Drawer Unit	Unrestricted - General	174	-
2004 Fitted kitchen and utility room	Unrestricted - General	12,428	-
2005 YP Furniture & Easy Chairs	Unrestricted - General	1,779	-
2006 Chairs	Unrestricted - General	395	-
2007 Chairs & Scaffolding	Unrestricted - General	1,083	-
2008 Filing Cabinet & Computer Projector	Unrestricted - General	1,199	-
2009 Photo copier & Stacking Chairs	Unrestricted - General	1,592	-
2012 AV Equipment & Church Sign	Unrestricted - General	4,617	-
2015 AV CCTV Equipment	Unrestricted - General	1,343	-
2017 New 2nd Church Sign	Unrestricted - General	744	360
2018 New Text sign	Unrestricted - General	2,088	1,248
2019 2 additional computers	Unrestricted - General	916	-
2023 Glazed cupboard	Unrestricted - General	130	78
2024 New Tables	Unrestricted - General	1,352	1,217
		<u>50,268</u>	<u>2,903</u>

## **DONCASTER EVANGELICAL CHURCH**

### **STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2024** **(continued)**

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	<b>Fund to which liability relates</b>	<b>Amount Due</b>	<b>Cheque Presented at Bank</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Unpresented cheques			
Cleaning	Unrestricted - General	252	April 8 2024
Abbey Payroll	Unrestricted - General	133	April 4 2024
Printing & Publicity	Unrestricted - General	70	April 9 2024
Bank Charges	Unrestricted - General	12	April 18 2024
Utilities	Unrestricted - General	423	April 16 2024
Minister's pension - 1 payment	Unrestricted - General	111	April 2 2024
Minister's Expenses	Unrestricted - General	1554	April 16 2024
<b>Total Liabilities</b>		<b><u>2,555</u></b>	

#### **Note to the Accounts**

The Freehold Property is shown at cost price, but was revalued in April 2021, for insurance purposes, at £2,270,996.

The Freehold Property has now been index linked by the insurance company and, as a result, they have increased the valuation of the property for the last 2 years by inflation. The current valuation for insurance purposes is £3,019,663 for the building and £164,393 for the contents, giving a total insurance valuation of £3,184,056.

**Approved by the Trustees on November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

and signed on their behalf by:

**K.J. Proudman**  
Trustee

**Andrew Hamilton- Plumb**  
Secretary to the Trustees

## **DONCASTER EVANGELICAL CHURCH**

### **COMPARATIVE RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT** **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2023**

	Unrestricted Fund		Restricted Fund	Endowment Fund	Total Funds
	General	Designated			2023
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>RECEIPTS</b>					
Deeds of covenant / gift aid	44,581	-	-	-	44,581
Small Donations / gift aid	5,650	-	-	-	5,650
Donations / gift aid	-	1800	-	-	1,800
Income tax recovered	12,216	517	-	-	12,733
Other offerings and gifts	13,767	-	-	-	13,767
Donations	2,107	-	-	-	2,107
Insurance claim	3,560	-	-	-	3,560
HMRC Employment Allowance	3,313	-	-	-	3,313
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>85,194</b>	<b>2,317</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>87,511</b>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>					
Stipends and related costs	49,780	-	-	-	49,780
Pulpit supply	1,595	-	-	-	1,595
Children's and young people's work	223	-	-	-	223
Bibles and Hymn Books	429	-	-	-	429
Purchase of IT equipment	213	-	-	-	213
Printing and publicity	532	-	-	-	532
Safeguarding & First Aid Training	178	-	-	-	178
Accountancy charges	275	-	-	-	275
Accounting systems	412	-	-	-	412
Fire protection and Security	2,363	-	-	-	2,363
Provisions	278	-	-	-	278
CCL copyright licence	434	-	-	-	434
Sundry expenses	140	-	-	-	140
Light and heat	1,910	-	-	-	1,910
Telephone	60	-	-	-	60
Insurance	2,525	-	-	-	2,525
Cleaning and maintenance	1,585	-	-	-	1,585
Bank Charges	122	-	-	-	122
Repairs	7,213	-	-	-	7,213
Donation to FIEC	1,320	-	-	-	1,320
Donations and grants to other Christian work	5,864	-	-	-	5,864
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>77,451</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>77,451</b>
Asset and Investment purchases	943	-	-	-	943
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>78,394</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>78,394</b>
<b>NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR YEAR</b>	<b>6,800</b>	<b>2,317</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9,117</b>
Transfer between funds	(4,000)	4,000	-	-	-
Net movement in funds in year	2,800	6,317	-	-	9,117
Cash funds brought forward	35,193	33,726	-	-	68,919
<b>Cash funds carried forward March 31 2023</b>	<b>37,993</b>	<b>40,043</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>78,036</b>

**DONCASTER EVANGELICAL CHURCH**  
**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**  
**AT 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2023**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted	Endowment
	General	Designated	Fund
	£	£	£
<b>Cash Funds</b>			
General Fund	37,992	-	-
2nd Worker Fund	-	28,044	-
Major Repair Fund	-	12,000	-
Total cash funds at March 31 2023	<b>37,992</b>	<b>40,044</b>	-
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted	Endowment
	General	Designated	Fund
	£	£	£
<b>Other monetary assets</b>			
Tax refund due from HMRC	3,272	180	-
	-	-	-
	<b>3,272</b>	<b>180</b>	-
	Funds to which	Cost	Current
	asset belongs		Value
<b>Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>			
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2019 2 additional computers	Unrestricted - General	916	-
2023 Glazed cupboard	Unrestricted - General	130	104
		<b>48,915</b>	<b>1,894</b>

## **DONCASTER EVANGELICAL CHURCH**

### **COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

**AT 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2023**

**(continued)**

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	<b>Fund to which liability relates</b>	<b>Amount Due</b>	<b>Cheque Presented at Bank</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Unpresented cheques			
Pulpit supply	Unrestricted - General	50	April 20 2023
Food Hygiene Training		18	
Piano Tuning		42	April 3 2023
Printing & Publicity		205	April 13 2023
Cleaning		205	April 5 2023
<b>Total Liabilities</b>		<b>520</b>	

#### **Note to the Accounts**

The Freehold Property is shown at cost price, but was revalued in April 2021, for insurance purposes, at £2,270,996.

The Freehold Property has now been index linked by the insurance company and, as a result, they have increased the valuation of the property this year by 12% £272,520, giving a current valuation for insurance purposes of £2,543,516.