

# SOUTH ASTON UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 516837

## Details

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**Other names** S A N D - SOUTH ASTON NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT, SOUTH ASTON CHURCH CENTRE, SOUTH ASTON NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 1985-10-02

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE TRUSTES SHALL HOLD THE CAPITAL AND INCOME OF THE TRUST FUND UPON TRUST TO APPLY THE SAME AT SUCH TIME OR TIMES AND IN SUCH MANNER IN ALL RESPECTS AS THE TRUSTEES IN THEIR ABSOLUTE DISCRETION THINK FIT FOR THE CHARITABLE PURPOSES OF THE SAID CHURCH.

**Activities:** The Charity is located in the South Aston District of Birmingham. In addition to our Sunday services the premises are also used by two other church groups. There are numerous activities held on the church centre premises during the week including Tuesday Club, Wednesday Lunch Club and mid-week service, Outabout Club and so on.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- Birmingham City

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£106,907	£120,025	-	-
2024-03-31	£74,038	£75,041	-	-
2023-03-31	£93,171	£103,345	-	-
2022-03-31	£95,926	£84,551	-	-
2021-03-31	£80,335	£89,943	-	-

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
ANN TEMPEST		
CLARICE VERONICA SIMPSON		
JACQUELINE JOYCE HANCOX		

**SOUTH ASTON UNITED REFORMED CHURCH**

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# Accounts

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## **Structure, Governance and Management**

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Finance  
Buildings and Fire Safety  
South Aston Youth and Community Work  
Working with Older People (WWOP)

The Finance Committee has responsibility to prepare annual budgets and associated information necessary for the reporting of the commitments and financial position of the Church. These matters are tendered to the Trustees (Elders) for their consideration along with recommendations as appropriate.

The Finance Committee is made up of the Church Treasurer, a Trustee (Elder), Church Accounts Advisor, Church Centre Co-ordinator and two other persons nominated by the Church meeting.

## **Appointment of New Officers and Trustees**

Members become Trustees on being appointed as Elders. Elders serve a three-year term and retire by rotation and can be re-elected for further terms. All Officers and Committee Members are appointed by the Annual General Church meeting and elected or re-elected annually.

## **Related parties**

The Church is part of a pastorate with 5 other churches in the Walsall and West Birmingham Pastorate, and is an active participant in the group of Churches from various denominations in the area, known as Aston Churches Working Together.

## **Objectives and Activities**

The objectives of the Church are to advance the Christian religion in accordance with the doctrines, principles and usages of the United Reformed Church in the South Aston area of Birmingham.

Members, volunteers and four paid members of staff, which include two Ministers in a job share, provide guidance, support and outreach to develop these objectives. These are broadly classified as Ministry and Mission, work in the community at large, work with older people and provision of other outreach activities. Numerous activities are carried out at the premises during the week including a Food Pantry, English lessons, Wednesday Welcome, etc. Of these paid members of staff the Ministers are funded directly from the United Reformed Church of England and Wales.

Ministerial oversight has been altered during the year under notice. The two Ministers are responsible for a group of six churches in a group known as the Walsall and West Birmingham Pastorate, with the two ministers job sharing one post. Collectively this is a joint pastorate with each church a separate entity in both organisational and accounting functions.

## **Finance Review**

The Trustees are responsible for preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Church as at the end of each annual financial period and of the financial activities for that period. In preparing the financial statements they should ensure that they:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- Make judgement and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- State whether the policies adopted are in accordance with the Charities SORP and with applicable accounting standards.
- Prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Church will continue to function.

The Trustees, who meet monthly, are also responsible for maintaining adequate accounting records, to prepare financial statements that comply with the Charities Act 1993 and sufficient internal controls to safeguard the assets of the Church and to prevent fraud and other irregularities.

The Church's income and expenditure is below the level requiring an audit by a Registered Auditor. Instead a review by an Independent Examiner is appropriate and in this direction the Trustees have appointed Mrs Gillian Wall to act in this capacity.

## **Financial Statements**

The Financial Statement for the year ended 31 March 2025 has been prepared in compliance with Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP) as revised in 2005. The analysis of income and expenditure reflects the classification of activities, together with costs relating to administration. The Church does not sell goods or services for commercial profit but does generate income from hiring of rooms, etc. and other events to help defray expenses.

## **Statement of Financial Activities**

In regard to the General Fund account, it will be seen that in the financial year under notice, there was an excess of expenditure over income of circa. £9,500. By far and away the largest item on the income side of the account is hire of rooms, parking etc., and this has again held strong with an increase of over £4,500 against the 2023/24 accounts. It will be seen that there has been a significant increase in the Churches gas and electricity charges of over £7,500. There was also a large increase in church maintenance and church flat costs. The latter required after a change of tenant during the year.

The Church Centre was built in 1973 and we are continuing to address the need to replace or improve items relating to the fabric of the buildings of the centre.

The Elders/Trustees are continually examining the Charity's finances with a view to seeking means of endeavouring to increase giving and fund raising. Outgoings are constantly under review.

## **Balance Sheet**

The Church Centre buildings, a small area of land in the district of Lozells Birmingham and the Manse are the property of the United Reformed Church of England and Wales and as such are not valued in these accounts. The manse property was sold during the year (although completion did not take place until May 2025), after the retirement of the Minister. A new property has been purchased to provide for the two Ministers now responsible for the group of churches.

## **Reserves**

Unrestricted funds are needed to cover continual new works and property maintenance outgoings. In this direction and pursuant to previous stated intention, a new maintenance account was established in recent times. The tenth full year of this account appears in this report.

## **Sources**

The Trustees are continually conscious of the need to provide for funds for the upkeep of the Church Centre buildings and in this regard are constantly seeking innovative and new means of fundraising as has been mentioned earlier in this report.

### **Future Plans**

There are no significant plans for the 2025/26 year apart from the matter of the Church sanctuary heating system. Currently, this is a warm air system dating back to the buildings construction in 1973 and although the main boiler was replaced some 10 years ago, it is an expensive system to run and now well beyond its useful life. A boiler/radiator system installation is proposed for the ensuing year.

As mentioned in the previous report, the current Church Minister retired during the year and was replaced by a man and wife team of two Ministers who now oversee 6 Churches across the Walsall and West Birmingham Pastorate.

These accounts were accepted and adopted on

By order of the Trustees

**Mrs Ann Tempest - Treasurer and Chair of the Finance Committee**

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Mrs Lynn Purchase - Member of Finance Committee (elected by Church Members)**

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

South Aston United Reformed Church  
**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS 2024-2025**

**THE GENERAL FUND - 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025**
*AN UNRESTRICTED FUND FOR THE GENERAL PURPOSES OF THE CHURCH*

		<b>2024-2025</b>	<b>2023-2024</b>
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>	<b>A1a - Giving</b>		
	Cash offerings	847.05	495.39
	Envelope offerings	11,164.81	11,653.14
	Donations	5,170.95	850.31
	Tax reclaim on Gift Aid	3,033.83	2,905.35
	Fund raising	0.00	0.00
	Savings Club donated interest	28.10	27.57
		20,244.74	
	<b>A1b - Operating</b>		
	Hire of rooms, halls and parking	29,988.00	25,717.00
	Caretaking	505.00	1,175.00
	Office use payments Age	0.00	846.00
	Office use payments Co-ordinator	0.00	0.00
	Lunch Club rental (Day Centre Fnd)	0.00	0.00
		30,493.00	
	<b>A1c - Investments</b>		
	Ground rent on land in Lozells	4,100.00	4,100.00
	Bank interest	235.13	306.73
	Church Flat rent	8,561.94	5,773.00
	Net dividends on investments	5,606.70	5,433.12
		18,503.77	
	<b>A1d - Other</b>		
	Ministerial Contribution - Wilton Rd	676.80	795.00
	Ministerial Contribution - Bishop Latimer	0.00	795.00
	Pulpit Supply Reimbursement	0.00	0.00
	From Maintenance Account	4,464.00	0.00
	From Youth & Community	10.50	0.00
	Manse Repairs from URC	710.00	0.00
	Insurance Claim Refund	1,460.00	0.00
	Refund Ministerial Expenses	49.00	0.00
	Shares Redemption RSA	2,488.90	0.00
	Council Tax Refund - Flat	9.57	0.00
		9,868.77	
		<u>79,110.28</u>	<u>60,872.61</u>

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AN UNRESTRICTED FUND FOR THE GENERAL PURPOSES OF THE CHURCH

		<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2023-2024</u>
<b>PAYMENTS:</b>	<b>A2a, Fundrse</b>		0.00
	<b>A2b Charity</b>		
	URC National Ministry Fund	17,640.00	16,926.00
	Ministerial costs	1,747.26	645.20
	Donations and gifts	558.75	990.69
	MANSE: Water Supply	156.63	314.55
	Insurance	0.00	0.00
	Telephone	153.72	323.95
	Security system	0.00	65.00
	Maintenance	465.00	910.00
	Council Tax	555.67	1,270.48
	Major Works	0.00	0.00
	WORSHIP: Pulpit supply	1,480.00	960.00
	Church Music	787.86	560.00
	Worship and Outreach	1,038.97	644.15
	BUILDING: Cleaning	7,226.03	5,690.72
	Cleaning Materials	1,838.74	2,044.58
	Church Gas	6,163.73	2,389.87
	Church Electric	6,756.63	3,243.14
	Water Supply	1,639.15	1,954.58
	Insurance	4,867.42	4,346.38
	Maintenance	7,643.80	3,243.98
	Major Building Maintenance Works	0.00	0.00
	Church Flat costs	5,414.56	1,131.84
	ADMIN.: Telephone	1,473.41	1,398.12
	Stationery copying and postage	2,562.45	1,862.63
	OTHER: Minibus	0.00	0.00
	Church Catering	714.58	623.94
	Church Caretaking	2,809.47	2,644.54
	Church Gardening	1,960.30	2,648.74
	Equipment	0.00	0.00
	Bank Charges	237.41	244.60
	Other	0.00	56.50
	Trans to Co-ordinators ac. (from General Fund Acc)	12,807.12	8,673.60
	DBS check	49.50	38.00
	Commitment for Life	21.25	46.25
		<b>88,769.41</b>	
	<b>A2c Other</b>	-	
		<b>88,769.41</b>	<b>65,892.03</b>
	Receipts for year	79,110.28	
	Expenditure for year	88,769.41	
	<b>Excess Receipts (Expenditure) for year</b>	<b>-9,659.13</b>	
	Combined cash & bank assets as at 1st April 2024	20,510.44	
	Combined cash & bank assets as at 31st April 2025	10,851.31	
	Excess Income/Expenditure for year	<b>-9,659.13</b>	

**SOUTH ASTON YOUTH & COMMUNITY / PASTORATE ACCOUNT - 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025**

*A RESTRICTED FUND FOR THE CHURCH'S YOUTH AND COMMUNITY WORK*

		<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2023-2024</u>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>	<b>Pastorate</b>		
	Broadway Church	3,489.00	0.00
	Blakenhall Church	869.00	0.00
	Elmwood Church	2,841.00	0.00
	Wilton Road Church	1,208.00	0.00
	Bishop Latimer Church	1,208.00	0.00
	South Aston Church	1,305.00	0.00
	50% Removal Expenses from URC	2,200.00	0.00
	Synod Re-imburse Manse repair	415.00	0.00
		13,535.00	
	<b>Youth &amp; Community</b>		
	Bank Interest	7.12	0.84
	Commitment for Life	582.87	609.22
	Shoe Box Appeal	125.00	140.00
		714.99	140.00
		14,249.99	750.06
<b>PAYMENTS</b>	<b>Pastorate</b>		0.00
	Broadband and Telephone	314.70	0.00
	Ministerial Expenses	1,554.73	0.00
	Removal Expenses	4,605.00	0.00
	URC Payments	1,227.43	0.00
	Water Charges	294.11	0.00
	URC Trust	1,066.60	0.00
	Manse Maintenance	585.80	0.00
	Induction Service Expenses	577.86	0.00
		10,226.23	0.00
	<b>Youth &amp; Community</b>		0.00
	Homeless Project	200.00	0.00
	Junior Church	0.00	120.00
	Commitment for Life	582.87	609.22
	Shoe Box Appeal	125.00	140.00
		907.87	140.00
		11,134.10	869.22
	<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>	3,115.89	
	Monies held at bank and cash at 1st April 2024	1,345.79	
	Combined Cash and Bank Assets 31st March 2025	4,461.68	
<b>ASSETS AT 31st March 2025</b>	Cash Float	24.00	
	Bank Balance - Current Acc	3,309.35	
	Bank Balance - Deposit Acc	1,128.33	
		4,461.68	

**AGE FUND - 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025**

*A RESTRICTED FUND FOR THE CHURCH'S COMMUNITY WORK WITH ELDERLY PEOPLE*

2024-2025

2023-2024

South Aston United Reformed Church  
**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS 2024-2025**

<b>RECEIPTS:</b>	<b>B1a Grants</b>	Grant from B'ham City Council (Partnership)	0.00	4,523.00
		Fundraising	0.00	0.00
		Return of Loan from General Fund	10,000.00	0.00
			<u>10,000.00</u>	<u>4,523.00</u>
<b>PAYMENTS:</b>	<b>B2b Charity</b>	Salary (Development Worker)	0.00	1,275.00
		Employer's N.I. Contribution	0.00	0.00
		Employer's Pensions Contribution	0.00	38.25
		Office Use Payment (to Gen. Fund)	0.00	446.00
		Desk Space Admin Support (to Gen Fund)	0.00	400.00
		Admin Support (to Co-Ord Account)	0.00	195.00
		Supervision Payment (to Minibus Fund)	0.00	832.00
		Loan to General Fund	10,000.00	0.00
		Bank Charges	0.00	0.00
			<u>10,000.00</u>	<u>3,186.25</u>
<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>			0.00	
Monies held at bank at 1st April 2024			18,640.46	
Balance at bank on 31st March 2025			<u>18,640.46</u>	

**CHURCH CO-ORDINATOR ACCOUNT - 1st April 2024 - 31st March 2025**

*A RESTRICTED FUND FOR THE WORK OF THE CHURCH'S CO-ORDINATOR*

		<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2023-2024</u>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>	From South Aston URC General Fund	11,850.00	7,800.00
	Donations	0.00	0.00
	Admin Support from Age Account	0.00	195.00
	Reimbursement of Pension from Age Account (SS)	0.00	102.00
	Reimbursement of Pension from Gen Fund (BK)	957.12	873.60
		<u>12,807.12</u>	<u>8,970.60</u>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>	Salary Church Co-ordinator	11,721.00	7,855.02
	Employers N.I.	0.00	0.00
	Employers Pension Payment	0.00	0.00
	Payment for Age Pension (Direct Debit) (SS)	0.00	102.00
	Payment for Pension from Gen Fund (BK)	957.12	873.60
	Employees N.I. Caretaker	0.00	0.00
		<u>12,678.12</u>	<u>8,830.62</u>
<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>		129.00	
Monies held at bank and cash at 1st April 2024		4,744.72	
Combined Cash and Bank Assets 31st March 2025		<u>4,873.72</u>	

**CAFÉ ACTIVE ACCOUNT (WEDNESDAY WELCOME) 1st April 2024 - 31st March 2025**

*A RESTRICTED FUND FOR THE RUNNING OF THE CHURCH'S CAFÉ PROJECT*

		<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2023-2024</u>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>	Donations	50.00	170.00
	Takings	1,217.68	1,142.50
	Bingo/Raffle	289.00	324.65
		<u>1,556.68</u>	<u>1,637.15</u>

South Aston United Reformed Church  
**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS 2024-2025**

**PAYMENTS**

Volunteer Exes from Cash	330.00	605.80
Food from Cash	775.91	1,366.93
Food Card	811.25	394.97
Equipment Cash	22.73	64.00
Equipment Cheque	0.00	32.99
Activity Cash	402.45	494.94
Activity Chq	0.00	87.74
Bank Charges	4.25	0.00
	2,346.59	3,047.37

**Net receipts (payments) for the year**

Monies held at bank and cash at 1st April 2024  
Combined Cash and Bank Assets 31st March 2025

-789.91  
4,916.71  
4,126.80

## Assets at 31st March 2025

Cash Float	173.46
Bank Balance	3,953.34
	4,126.80

**SOUTH ASTON MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT - 1st April 2024 - 31st March 2025***A RESTRICTED FUND FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE BUILDING*

	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2023-2024</u>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
No Receipts	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00

**PAYMENTS**

Fire Door Installation Small Hall Final Payment		3,834.00
Underlay and Carpet - Flat	1,490.00	
CCTV Upgrade	1,014.00	
Electrical Consumer Unit - Foyer	1,950.00	
Electrical Consumer Unit -Office	1,500.00	
		0.00
	5,954.00	3,834.00

**Net receipts (payments) for the year**

Monies held at bank and cash at 1st April 2024  
Combined Cash and Bank Assets 31st March 2025

-5,954.00  
21,922.14  
15,968.14

**OTHER MONIES HELD:****2024-2025****2023-2024****Communion Fund**

This is a restricted fund in which is held donations given at Holy Communion and expended by the Minister for pastoral and community gifts.

**INCOME**

140.01

133.45

**EXPENDITURE**

100.00

30.00

South Aston United Reformed Church  
**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS 2024-2025**

Net receipts (payment) for the year	40.01	103.45
Assets at 1st April 2024	339.71	
Assets at 31st March 2025	379.72	

**Bequest Fund**

This is a restricted fund in which is placed money bequeathed to the church for expending on special projects in the Church Centre for the benefit of the disabled, aged, hard of hearing and so on attending the premises.

<b>INCOME</b>	0.00	0.00
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>	0.00	0.00
Net receipts (payment) for the year	0.00	0.00
Assets at 1st April 2024	585.62	
Assets at 31st March 2025	585.62	

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES at 31st March 2025**

	<b>2024-2025</b>	<b>2023-2024</b>
TSB Perry Barr Current/Deposit a/c	33,923.41	35,812.07
COIF deposit account	6.04	4,660.62
Cash in hand	197.46	271.87
Lloyds Bank Accounts	24,795.20	31,335.70
COIF and Deposit Acc (other monies)	965.34	925.33
	<b>59,887.45</b>	<b>73,005.59</b>

Representing balances on the following funds:

General (unrestricted) Fund	10,851.31	20,510.44
Age Fund	18,640.46	18,640.46
Youth and Communities Fund	4,461.68	1,345.79
Co-Ordinators Account	4,873.72	4,744.72
Maintenance Fund	15,968.14	21,922.14
Café Active	4,126.80	4,916.71
Communion Fund	379.72	339.71
Bequest Fund	585.62	585.62
	<b>59,887.45</b>	<b>73,005.59</b>

**D3a INVESTMENT ASSETS:**

	Value as at 1st April 2024	Value as at 31st March 2025	Difference in Value
735 M&G Charifund income units	10,702.19	11,159.51	<b>457.32</b>
2,000 Royal and Sun Alliance Preference Shares	2,424.60	0.00	<b>-2,424.60</b>
18325.356 Jupiter Fund Mgrs (formerly Old Mutual)	19,806.92	19,805.09	<b>-1.83</b>
45339.55 COIF Income and Growth Units	140,439.26	134,481.64	<b>-5,957.62</b>
	<b>173,372.97</b>	<b>165,446.24</b>	<b>-7,926.73</b>

**D3b FUNCTIONAL ASSETS:**

Church Centre Premises in Upper Sutton Street, Aston, Birmingham (freehold with a restrictive covenant)  
 Manse at 155 Victoria Road, Aston, Birmingham (freehold with a restrictive covenant)  
 Contents of the Church Centre premises including organ, furniture, kitchen, office and audio equipment, etc.

**D2 LIABILITIES:**

**NOTE:**

These accounts have been prepared on the "receipts and payments" basis.  
 They were approved by the Trustees

Ann Tempest, Treasurer

## **INDEPENDANT EXAMINERS REPORT**

Report on the financial statements of South Aston United Reformed Church for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 which are set out on pages one to seven of the accounts on the General Fund, Church Co-ordinators Account, Age Account, Youth and Community Work Account, Communion Fund, Bequest Fund, Café' Active and Maintenance Account.

### **Respective responsibilities**

The Church is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements, and considers that the audit requirement of Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under Section 145(5) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

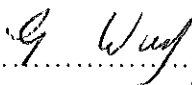
### **Basis of Independent Examiner's statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions of 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 financial statements, and seeking explanations concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the financial statements.

### **Independent Examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination of the church funds, nothing came to my attention which gave me cause to believe otherwise than that the financial statements accord with the accounting records of the church, and that those records satisfied the requirements of the Act. I am not aware of any matter to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Signed

  
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..... GILLIAN WALL  
406, Sutton Road  
Walsall WS5 3BA

Date:

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There are no significant plans for the 2024/25 year apart from the matter of the Church sanctuary heating system. This is a warm air system dating back to the buildings construction in 1973 and although the main boiler was replaced some 10 years ago, it is an expensive system to run and now well beyond its useful life. Alternative systems are therefore to be considered together with the associated costs involved.

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These accounts were accepted and adopted on

By order of the Trustees

**Mrs Ann Tempest - Treasurer and Chair of the Finance Committee**

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Mrs Lynn Purchase - Member of Finance Committee (elected by Church Members)**

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

South Aston United Reformed Church  
**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS 2023-2024**

**THE GENERAL FUND - 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024**

<i>AN UNRESTRICTED FUND FOR THE GENERAL PURPOSES OF THE CHURCH</i>		<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>			
<b>A1a - Giving</b>	Cash offerings	495.39	433.33
	Envelope offerings	11,653.14	10,515.03
	Donations	850.31	4,022.58
	Tax reclaim on Gift Aid	2,905.35	2,701.09
	Fund raising	0.00	0.00
	Savings Club donated interest	27.57	10.20
		15,931.76	
<b>A1b - Operating</b>	Hire of rooms, halls and parking	25,717.00	27,449.09
	Caretaking	1,175.00	3,150.50
	Office use payments Age	846.00	1,692.00
	Office use payments Co-ordinator	0.00	0.00
	Lunch Club rental (Day Centre Fnd)	0.00	0.00
		27,738.00	
<b>A1c - Investments</b>	Ground rent on land in Lozells	4,100.00	5,125.00
	Bank interest	306.73	128.53
	Church Flat rent	5,773.00	6,022.00
	Net dividends on investments	5,433.12	5,384.07
		15,612.85	
<b>A1d - Other</b>	Ministerial Contribution - Wilton Rd	795.00	597.80
	Ministerial Contribution - Bishop Latimer	795.00	597.80
	Pulpit Supply Reimbursement	0.00	0.00
	Redeemed from COIF to Co-Ord Acc	0.00	0.00
	Other	0.00	0.00
		1,590.00	
		60,872.61	67,829.02

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		<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>	
<b>PAYMENTS:</b>	<b>A2a, Fundrse</b>	Fundraising costs	0.00	0.00
	<b>A2b Charity</b>	URC National Ministry Fund	16,926.00	18,111.00
		Ministerial costs	645.20	294.50
		Donations and gifts	990.69	266.76
	<b>MANSE:</b>	Water Supply	314.55	382.62
		Insurance	0.00	0.00
		Telephone	323.95	245.70
		Security system	65.00	85.00
		Maintenance	910.00	96.60
		Council Tax	1,270.48	1,205.50
		Major Works	0.00	0.00
	<b>WORSHIP:</b>	Pulpit supply	960.00	840.00
		Church Music	560.00	560.00
		Worship and Outreach	644.15	550.09
	<b>BUILDING:</b>	Cleaning	5,690.72	5,785.44
		Cleaning Materials	2,044.58	2,105.02
		Church Gas	2,389.87	3,650.87
		Church Electric	3,243.14	3,161.87
		Water Supply	1,954.58	969.47
		Insurance	4,346.38	4,012.99
		Maintenance	3,243.98	7,807.67
		Major Building Maintenance Works	0.00	0.00
		Church Flat costs	1,131.84	8,558.93
	<b>ADMIN.:</b>	Telephone	1,398.12	1,056.42
		Stationery copying and postage	1,862.63	2,231.46
	<b>OTHER:</b>	Minibus	0.00	0.00
		Church Catering	623.94	48.40
		Church Caretaking	2,644.54	3,052.52
		Church Gardening	2,648.74	2,529.04
		Equipment	0.00	0.00
		Bank Charges	244.60	181.45
		Other	56.50	10.00
		Trans to Co-ordinators ac. (from General Fund Acc)	8,673.60	3,250.00
		DBS check	38.00	0.00
		Commitment for Life	46.25	0.00
			65,892.03	
<b>A2c Other</b>		-	65,892.03	71,049.32
<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>			-5,019.42	
Combined cash & bank assets, 1st April 2023			25,529.86	
Combined cash & bank assets, 31st March 2024			20,510.44	

South Aston United Reformed Church  
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**AGE FUND - 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024**

		<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>	<b>B1a Grants</b>		
	Grant from B'ham City Council (Partnership)	4,523.00	18,780.00
	Fundraising	0.00	0.00
	Donations	0.00	0.00
		<u>4,523.00</u>	18,780.00
<b>PAYMENTS:</b>	<b>B2b Charity</b>		
	Salary (Development Worker)	1,275.00	12,020.00
	Employer's N.I. Contribution	0.00	0.00
	Employer's Pensions Contribution	38.25	360.60
	Office Use Payment (to Gen. Fund)	446.00	892.00
	Desk Space Admin Support (to Gen Fund)	400.00	800.00
	Admin Support (to Co-Ord Account)	195.00	390.00
	Supervision Payment (to Minibus Fund)	832.00	1,664.00
	DBS Check	0.00	38.00
	Bank Charges	0.00	0.00
		<u>3,186.25</u>	<u>16,164.60</u>
<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>		1,336.75	
Monies held at bank at 1st April 2023		17,303.71	
Balance at bank on 31st March 2024		<u>18,640.46</u>	

**SOUTH ASTON YOUTH & COMMUNITY WORK ACCOUNT - 1st April 2023 - 31st March 2024***A RESTRICTED FUND FOR THE CHURCH'S YOUTH AND COMMUNITY WORK*

		<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>	Bank Interest	0.84	0.33
	Local Pantry	0.00	1,000.00
	Funeral Offertry	0.00	0.00
	Junior Church	0.00	120.00
	Tree Planting Appeal (Jubilee)	0.00	185.00
	DEC Earthquake Appeal	0.00	225.00
	Commitment for Life	609.22	558.93
	Shoe Box Appeal	140.00	0.00
		<u>750.06</u>	<u>2,089.26</u>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>	John Taylor Hospice	0.00	0.00
	Junior Church	120.00	8.65
	Local Pantry	0.00	1,000.00
	Tree Planting Appeal (Jubilee)	0.00	185.00
	DEC Earthquake Appeal	0.00	225.00
	Gifts to support a Family	0.00	0.00
	Gifts and Donations	0.00	0.00
	Commitment for Life	609.22	558.93
	Shoe Box Appeal	140.00	0.00
		<u>869.22</u>	<u>1,977.58</u>
<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>		-119.16	
Monies held at bank and cash at 1st April 2023		1,464.95	
Combined Cash and Bank Assets 31st March 2024		<u>1,345.79</u>	

<b>ASSETS AT 31st March 2024</b>	Cash Float	24.00
	Bank Balance - Current Acc	1,240.19
	Bank Balance - Deposit Acc	81.60
		<u>1,345.79</u>

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**CHURCH CO-ORDINATOR ACCOUNT - 1st April 2023 - 31st March 2024**

*A RESTRICTED FUND FOR THE WORK OF THE CHURCH'S CO-ORDINATOR*

	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>
<b><u>RECEIPTS</u></b>		
Grant from Church	0.00	0.00
From South Aston URC General Fund	7,800.00	3,250.00
Donations	0.00	0.00
Admin Support from Age Account	195.00	390.00
Reimbursement of Pension from Age Account (SS)	102.00	0.00
Reimbursement of Pension from Gen Fund (BK)	873.60	961.60
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	8,970.60	4,601.60
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<b><u>PAYMENTS</u></b>		
Salary Church Co-ordinator	7,855.02	7,166.74
Employers N.I.	0.00	0.00
Employers Pension Payment	0.00	0.00
Payment for Age Pension (Direct Debit) (SS)	102.00	961.60
Payment for Pension from Gen Fund (BK)	873.60	0.00
Employees N.I. Caretaker	0.00	0.26
Office Accom. To SAURC General Fund	0.00	0.00
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	8,830.62	8,128.60
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<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>	139.98	
Monies held at bank and cash at 1st April 2023	4,604.74	
Combined Cash and Bank Assets 31st March 2024	<hr/> <hr/>	
	4,744.72	

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**SOUTH ASTON MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT - 1st April 2023 - 31st March 2024***A RESTRICTED FUND FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE BUILDING*

	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
No Receipts	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00
<b>PAYMENTS</b>		
Church Sanctuary Lighting	0.00	1,600.00
Fire Door Installation Small Hall Final Payment	3,834.00	3,834.00
Church Sanctuary Re-decoration	0.00	3,264.00
Fire Escape Path Large Hall	0.00	1,896.00
	3,834.00	10,594.00
<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>	-3,834.00	
Monies held at bank and cash at 1st April 2023	25,756.14	
Combined Cash and Bank Assets 31st March 2024	21,922.14	

**CAFÉ ACTIVE ACCOUNT (WEDNESDAY WELCOME) 1st April 2023 - 31st March 2024***A RESTRICTED FUND FOR THE RUNNING OF THE CHURCH'S CAFÉ PROJECT*

	<u>2023-2024</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
Transfer from Lunch Club	0.00	0.00
Donations	170.00	1,127.00
Donations - Ladywood NNS	0.00	2,000.00
Takings	1,142.50	1,460.57
Transfer from Outabout BACS	0.00	56.30
Transfer from Outabout Cash	0.00	123.24
Transfer from Lunch Club BACS	0.00	152.92
Transfer from Lunch Club Cash	0.00	359.43
Bingo/Raffle	324.65	0.00
	1,637.15	5,279.46
<b>PAYMENTS</b>		
Volunteer Exes (chq)	0.00	25.50
Volunteer Exes (from takings)	605.80	242.70
Food (from takings)	1,366.93	1,625.49
Food (chq)	394.97	57.67
Equipment Cash	64.00	274.95
Equipment Cheque	32.99	461.87
Activity Cash	494.94	445.00
Activity Chq	87.74	25.00
Advertising Posters	0.00	20.00
	3,047.37	3,178.18
<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>	-1,410.22	
Monies held at bank and cash at 1st April 2023	6,326.93	
Combined Cash and Bank Assets 31st March 2024	4,916.71	
Assets at 31st March 2024		
Cash Float	247.87	
Bank Balance	4,668.84	
	4,916.71	

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<u><b>OTHER MONIES HELD:</b></u>	<u><b>2023-2024</b></u>	<u><b>2022-2023</b></u>
<b>Communion Fund</b>		
This is a restricted fund in which is held donations given at Holy Communion and expended by the Minister for pastoral and community gifts.		
<b>INCOME</b>	133.45	131.44
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>	30.00	210.00
Net receipts (payment) for the year	103.45	-78.56
Assets at 1st April 2023	236.26	
Assets at 31st March 2024	339.71	
 <b>Bequest Fund</b>		
This is a restricted fund in which is placed money bequeathed to the church for expending on special projects in the Church Centre for the benefit of the disabled, aged, hard of hearing and so on attending the premises.		
<b>INCOME</b>	0.00	0.00
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>	0.00	0.00
Net receipts (payment) for the year	0.00	0.00
Assets at 1st April 2023	585.62	
Assets at 31st March 2024	585.62	

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES at 31st March 2024**

	<b>2023-2024</b>	<b>2022-2023</b>
TSB Perry Barr Current/Deposit a/c	35,812.07	39,829.96
COIF deposit account	4,660.62	4,444.56
Cash in hand	271.87	126.39
Lloyds Bank Accounts	31,335.70	36,585.42
COIF and Deposit Acc (other monies)	925.33	821.88
	<b>73,005.59</b>	<b>81,808.21</b>

Representing balances on the following funds:

General (unrestricted) Fund	20,510.44	25,529.86
Lunch Club	0.00	0.00
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Outabout Club	0.00	0.00
Youth and Communities Fund	1,345.79	1,464.95
Co-Ordinators Account	4,744.72	4,604.74
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**D3a INVESTMENT ASSETS:**

	Value as at April 2023	Value as at 31st March 2024	Difference in Value
735 M&G Charifund income units	10,901.30	10,702.19	-199.11
2,000 Royal and Sun Alliance Preference Shares	2,040.00	2,424.60	384.60
18325.356 Jupiter Fund Mgrs (formerly Old Mutual)	19,371.73	19,806.92	435.19
45339.55 COIF Income and Growth Units	127,707.91	140,439.26	12,731.35
	160,020.94	173,372.97	13,352.03

**D3b FUNCTIONAL ASSETS:**

Church Centre Premises in Upper Sutton Street, Aston, Birmingham (freehold with a restrictive covenant)  
 Manse at 155 Victoria Road, Aston, Birmingham (freehold with a restrictive covenant)  
 Contents of the Church Centre premises including organ, furniture, kitchen, office and audio equipment, etc.

**D2 LIABILITIES:**

**NOTE:**

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Ann Tempest, Treasurer

## INDEPENDANT EXAMINERS REPORT

Report on the financial statements of South Aston United Reformed Church for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 which are set out on pages one to seven of the accounts on the General Fund, Church Co-ordinators Account, Age Account, Youth and Community Work Account, Communion Fund, Bequest Fund, Café' Active and Maintenance Account.

### Respective responsibilities

The Church is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements, and considers that the audit requirement of Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under Section 145(5) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

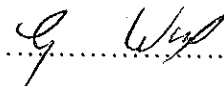
### Basis of Independent Examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions of 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 financial statements, and seeking explanations concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the financial statements.

### Independent Examiner's statement

In connection with my examination of the church funds, nothing came to my attention which gave me cause to believe otherwise than that the financial statements accord with the accounting records of the church, and that those records satisfied the requirements of the Act. I am not aware of any matter to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Signed

  
.....  
..... GILLIAN WALL  
406, Sutton Road  
Walsall WS5 3BA

Date: 22/7/24

**SOUTH ASTON UNITED REFORMED CHURCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 516837

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# Accounts

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Unrestricted funds are needed to cover continual new works and property maintenance outgoings. In this direction and pursuant to previous stated intention, a new maintenance account was established in recent times. The eighth full year of this account appears in this report.

## **Sources**

The Trustees are continually conscious of the need to provide for funds for the upkeep of the Church Centre buildings and in this regard are constantly seeking innovative and new means of fundraising as has been mentioned earlier in this report.

As was mentioned in earlier in this report the receipts from hire of rooms, etc. shows a substantial recovery during what can be described as the post Covid-19 pandemic period.

### **Future Plans**

The post of Development Worker with Older People Practitioner was duly filled during the year in question. However, due to personal circumstances the post occupant resigned from the position in April 2023.

These accounts were accepted and adopted on 6<sup>th</sup> August 2023.

By order of the Trustees

**Mrs Ann Tempest - Treasurer and Chair of the Finance Committee**

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Mrs Lynn Purchase - Member of Finance Committee (elected by Church Members)**

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

South Aston United Reformed Church  
**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS 2022-2023**

**THE GENERAL FUND - 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023**

<i>AN UNRESTRICTED FUND FOR THE GENERAL PURPOSES OF THE CHURCH</i>		<b><u>2022-2023</u></b>	<b><u>2021-2022</u></b>
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>			
<b>A1a - Giving</b>	Cash offerings	433.33	148.58
	Envelope offerings	10,515.03	9,814.17
	Donations	4,022.58	4,052.71
	Tax reclaim on Gift Aid	2,701.09	2,650.34
	Fund raising	0.00	0.00
	Savings Club donated interest	10.20	0.28
		17,682.23	
<b>A1b - Operating</b>	Hire of rooms, halls and parking	27,449.09	15,660.10
	Caretaking	3,150.50	2,999.50
	Office use payments Age	1,692.00	2,991.75
	Office use payments Co-ordinator	0.00	0.00
	Lunch Club rental (Day Centre Fnd)	0.00	0.00
		32,291.59	
<b>A1c - Investments</b>	Ground rent on land in Lozells	5,125.00	2,050.00
	Bank interest	128.53	37.39
	Church Flat rent	6,022.00	5,852.00
	Net dividends on investments	5,384.07	5,149.98
		16,659.60	
<b>A1d - Other</b>	From Outabout Club	0.00	0.00
	Ministerial Contribution - Wilton Rd	597.80	775.64
	Ministerial Contribution - Bishop Latimer	597.80	775.64
	Pulpit Supply Reimbursement	0.00	0.00
	Redeemed from COIF to Co-Ord Acc	0.00	3,000.00
	From Lunch Club Re-imburse	0.00	29.88
	Other	0.00	0.00
	Sale of minibus	0.00	1,625.59
	Insurance Payments - Loss of Revenue	0.00	9,945.93
		1,195.60	
		<u>67,829.02</u>	<u>67,559.48</u>

**THE GENERAL FUND - 1st April 2022 - 31st March 2023**

AN UNRESTRICTED FUND FOR THE GENERAL PURPOSES OF THE CHURCH

		<u>2022-2023</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
<b>PAYMENTS:</b>			
	<b>A2a, Fundrse</b> Fundraising costs	0.00	0.00
	<b>A2b Charity</b> URC National Ministry Fund	18,111.00	19,305.00
	Ministerial costs	294.50	600.00
	Donations and gifts	266.76	400.00
	<b>MANSE:</b> Water Supply	382.62	287.75
	Insurance	0.00	0.00
	Telephone	245.70	292.49
	Security system	85.00	0.00
	Maintenance	96.60	721.39
	Council Tax	1,205.50	1,165.45
	Major Works	0.00	0.00
	<b>WORSHIP:</b> Pulpit supply	840.00	1,040.00
	Church Music	560.00	0.00
	Worship and Outreach	550.09	650.98
	<b>BUILDING:</b> Cleaning	5,785.44	2,948.40
	Cleaning Materials	2,105.02	1,372.35
	Church Gas	3,650.87	3,229.28
	Church Electric	3,161.87	2,658.84
	Water Supply	969.47	453.22
	Insurance	4,012.99	3,695.74
	Maintenance	7,807.67	2,616.21
	Major Building Maintenance Works	0.00	0.00
	Church Flat costs	8,558.93	1,108.56
	<b>ADMIN.:</b> Telephone	1,056.42	1,090.78
	Stationery copying and postage	2,231.46	2,386.67
	<b>OTHER:</b> Minibus	0.00	0.00
	Church Catering	48.40	32.39
	Church Caretaking	3,052.52	5,240.20
	Church Gardening	2,529.04	1,279.40
	Equipment	0.00	479.98
	Bank Charges	181.45	148.82
	Other	10.00	20.00
	Trans to Co-ordinators ac. (from General Fund Acc)	3,250.00	5,000.00
			71,049.32
<b>A2c Other</b>		-	
			<u>71,049.32</u>
			<u>58,223.90</u>
	<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>	-3,220.30	
	Combined cash & bank assets, 1st April 2022	28,750.16	
	Combined cash & bank assets, 31st March 2023	25,529.86	

**LUNCH CLUB - 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023**

*A RESTRICTED FUND FOR THE CHURCH'S COMMUNITY WORK WITH ELDERLY PEOPLE*

		2022-2023	2021-2022
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>	<b>B1a Grants</b>		
	External grant funding	0.00	0.00
	Donations	0.00	0.00
	Fund raising and donations	0.00	0.00
	<b>B1b Charity</b>		
	Meals sold to diners	0.00	1,133.00
	Meals sold to volunteers	0.00	0.00
	Tea and Coffee sales	0.00	0.00
	History Group Subs	0.00	0.00
	Donation SAURC Minibus Repairs	0.00	0.00
			0.00
	<b>B1c Investmnt</b>		
		0.00	1,133.00
<b>PAYMENTS:</b>	<b>B2a Fundrse</b>		
	<b>B2b Charity</b>		
	Food purchased	0.00	805.20
	Minibus Costs	0.00	25.00
	Equipment and repairs	0.00	124.30
	Monies xfrd to Café Active Acc	0.00	1,285.92
	15/6/22 TSB Account Closed		
	Monies transferred to Café Active/WW	152.92	0.00
	15/8/22 Cash Float		
	Monies transferred to Café Active/WW	359.43	0.00
			512.35
		512.35	2,240.42
	<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>	-512.35	
	<b>Monies held (cash &amp; bank a/c), 1st April 2022</b>	512.35	
	<b>Balance (cash &amp; bank a/c), 31st March 2023</b>	0.00	
<b>ASSETS at 31st March 2023</b>	Cash Float	0.00	
	Bank Balance TSB	0.00	
		0.00	

South Aston United Reformed Church  
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**AGE FUND - 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023**

		<u>2022-2023</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>	<b>B1a Grants</b>		
	Grant from B'ham City Council (Partnership)	18,780.00	26,492.50
	Fundraising	0.00	0.00
	Donations	0.00	0.00
		<u>18,780.00</u>	<u>26,492.50</u>
<b>PAYMENTS:</b>	<b>B2b Charity</b>		
	Salary (Development Worker)	12,020.00	17,758.33
	Employer's N.I. Contribution	0.00	0.00
	Employer's Pensions Contribution	360.60	532.80
	Office Use Payment (to Gen. Fund)	892.00	2,529.25
	Desk Space Admin Support (to Gen Fund)	800.00	462.50
	Admin Support (to Co-Ord Account)	390.00	1,828.50
	Supervision Payment (to Minibus Fund)	1,664.00	1,586.00
	DBS Check	38.00	0.00
	Bank Charges	0.00	0.00
		<u>16,164.60</u>	<u>24,697.38</u>
<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>		2,615.40	
Monies held at bank at 1st April 2022		14,688.31	
Balance at bank on 31st March 2023		<u>17,303.71</u>	

**OUTABOUT CLUB ACCOUNT - 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023***A RESTRICTED FUND FOR THE CHURCH'S COMMUNITY WORK WITH ELDERLY PEOPLE*

		<u>2022-2023</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>			
	Outabout	0.00	0.00
	Other Transport Donations	0.00	0.00
	Donations	0.00	0.00
		<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
<b>PAYMENTS:</b>			
	Fuel Costs	0.00	25.01
	5/5/22 TSB Account Closed		
	Monies transferred to Café Active/WW	56.30	0.00
	15/8/22 Cash Float		
	Monies Transferred to Café Active/WW	123.24	0.00
		<u>179.54</u>	<u>25.01</u>
<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>		-179.54	
Monies at bank and Cash 1st April 2022		179.54	
Monies at bank and Cash 31st March 2023		0.00	
	Cash Float	0.00	
<b>ASSETS at 31st March 2023</b>	Bank Balance	<u>0.00</u>	
		0.00	

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**SOUTH ASTON YOUTH & COMMUNITY WORK ACCOUNT - 1st April 2022 - 31st March 2023***A RESTRICTED FUND FOR THE CHURCH'S YOUTH AND COMMUNITY WORK*

	<u>2022-2023</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
Bank Interest	0.33	0.12
Local Pantry	1,000.00	0.00
Funeral Offertry	0.00	0.00
Junior Church	120.00	340.00
Tree Planting Appeal (Jubilee)	185.00	0.00
DEC Earthquake Appeal	225.00	0.00
Commitment for Life	558.93	335.34
Gifts and Donations	0.00	315.00
MacMillan Appeal	0.00	887.50
Gifts to support a Family	0.00	410.00
	<u>2,089.26</u>	<u>2,287.96</u>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>		
John Taylor Hospice	0.00	0.00
Junior Church	8.65	132.74
Local Pantry	1,000.00	0.00
Tree Planting Appeal (Jubilee)	185.00	0.00
DEC Earthquake Appeal	225.00	0.00
Gifts to support a Family	0.00	410.00
Gifts and Donations	0.00	315.00
Commitment for Life	558.93	355.34
MacMillan Appeal Out	0.00	887.50
	<u>1,977.58</u>	<u>2,100.58</u>
<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>	111.68	
Monies held at bank and cash at 1st April 2022	1,353.27	
Combined Cash and Bank Assets 31st March 2023	<u>1,464.95</u>	

<b>ASSETS AT 31st March 2022</b>		
Cash Float	24.00	
Bank Balance - Current Acc	1,360.19	
Bank Balance - Deposit Acc	80.76	
	<u>1,464.95</u>	

**CHURCH CO-ORDINATOR ACCOUNT - 1st April 2022 - 31st March 2023***A RESTRICTED FUND FOR THE WORK OF THE CHURCH'S CO-ORDINATOR*

	<u>2022-2023</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
Grant from Church COIF Deposit Acc	0.00	5,000.00
From South Aston URC General Fund	3,250.00	0.00
Donations	0.00	0.00
Admin Support from Age Account	390.00	1,828.50
Reimbursement of Pension from Age Account	961.60	1,420.74
	<u>4,601.60</u>	<u>8,249.24</u>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>		
Salary Church Co-ordinator	7,166.74	7,068.04
Employers N.I.	0.00	0.00
Employers Pension Payment	0.00	30.18
Payment for Age Pension (Direct Debit)	961.60	1,420.74
Employees N.I. Caretaker	0.26	0.00
Office Accom. To SAURC General Fund	0.00	0.00
	<u>8,128.60</u>	<u>8,518.96</u>
<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>	-3,527.00	
Monies held at bank and cash at 1st April 2022	8,131.74	
Combined Cash and Bank Assets 31st March 2023	<u>4,604.74</u>	

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**SOUTH ASTON MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT - 1st April 2022 - 31st March 2023***A RESTRICTED FUND FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE BUILDING*

	<u>2022-2023</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
No Receipts	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00
<b>PAYMENTS</b>		
Church Sanctuary Lighting	1,600.00	0.00
Fire Door Installation Small Hall 50% Deposit	3,834.00	0.00
Church Sanctuary Re-decoration	3,264.00	0.00
Fire Escape Path Large Hall	1,896.00	0.00
	10,594.00	0.00
	10,594.00	0.00
<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>	-10,594.00	
Monies held at bank and cash at 1st April 2022	36,350.14	
Combined Cash and Bank Assets 31st March 2023	25,756.14	

**CAFÉ ACTIVE ACCOUNT (WEDNESDAY WELCOME) 1st April 2022 - 31st March 2023***A RESTRICTED FUND FOR THE RUNNING OF THE CHURCH'S CAFÉ PROJECT*

	<u>2022-2023</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
Transfer from Lunch Club	0.00	1,285.92
Donations	1,127.00	350.00
Donations - Ladywood NNS	2,000.00	0.00
Takings	1,460.57	639.52
Transfer from Outabout BACS	56.30	0.00
Transfer from Outabout Cash	123.24	0.00
Transfer from Lunch Club BACS	152.92	0.00
Transfer from Lunch Club Cash	359.43	0.00
	5,279.46	2,275.44
	5,279.46	2,275.44
<b>PAYMENTS</b>		
Volunteer Exes (chq)	25.50	0.00
Volunteer Exes (from takings)	242.70	1.00
Food (from takings)	1,625.49	464.70
Food (chq)	57.67	0.00
Equipment Cash	274.95	147.75
Equipment Cheque	461.87	0.00
Activity Cash	445.00	0.00
Activity Chq	25.00	0.00
Advertising Posters	20.00	28.38
	3,178.18	641.83
	3,178.18	641.83
<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>	2,101.28	
Monies held at bank and cash at 1st April 2022	4,225.65	
Combined Cash and Bank Assets 31st March 2023	6,326.93	
Assets at 31st March 2023		
Cash Float	102.39	
Bank Balance	6,224.54	
	6,326.93	

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<b><u>OTHER MONIES HELD:</u></b>	<b><u>2022-2023</u></b>	<b><u>2021-2022</u></b>
<b>Communion Fund</b>		
This is a restricted fund in which is held donations given at Holy Communion and expended by the Minister for pastoral and community gifts.		
<b>INCOME</b>	131.44	41.71
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>	210.00	220.00
Net receipts (payment) for the year	-78.56	-178.29
Assets at 1st April 2022	314.82	
Assets at 31st March 2023	236.26	
 <b>Bequest Fund</b>		
This is a restricted fund in which is placed money bequeathed to the church for expending on special projects in the Church Centre for the benefit of the disabled, aged, hard of hearing and so on attending the premises.		
<b>INCOME</b>	0.00	0.00
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>	0.00	0.00
Net receipts (payment) for the year	0.00	0.00
Assets at 1st April 2022	585.62	
Assets at 31st March 2023	585.62	

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES at 31st March 2023**

	<u>2022-2023</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
TSB Perry Barr Current/Deposit a/c	39,829.96	40,609.82
COIF deposit account	4,444.56	4,367.14
Cash in hand	126.39	1,121.96
Lloyds Bank Accounts	36,585.42	48,092.24
COIF and Deposit Acc (other monies)	821.88	900.44
	<b><u>81,808.21</u></b>	<b><u>95,091.60</u></b>

Representing balances on the following funds:

General (unrestricted) Fund	25,529.86	28,750.16
Lunch Club	0.00	512.35
Age Fund	17,303.71	14,688.31
Outabout Club	0.00	179.54
Youth and Communities Fund	1,464.95	1,353.27
Co-Ordinators Account	4,604.74	8,131.74
Maintenance Fund	25,756.14	36,350.14
Café Active	6,326.93	4,225.65
Communion Fund	236.26	314.82
Bequest Fund	585.62	585.62
	<b><u>81,808.21</u></b>	<b><u>95,091.60</u></b>

**D3a INVESTMENT ASSETS:**

	Value as at April 2022	Value as at 31st March 2023	<b>Difference in Value</b>
735 M&G Charifund income units	11,610.87	10,901.30	<b>-709.57</b>
2,000 Royal and Sun Alliance Preference Shares	2,120.00	2,040.00	<b>-80.00</b>
18420.893 Jupiter Fund Mgrs (formerly Old Mutual)	22,972.67	19,371.73	<b>-3,600.94</b>
40363.81 COIF Income and Growth Units	134,350.15	127,707.91	<b>-6,642.24</b>
	<b><u>171,053.69</u></b>	<b><u>160,020.94</u></b>	<b><u>-11,032.75</u></b>

**D3b FUNCTIONAL ASSETS:**

Church Centre Premises in Upper Sutton Street, Aston, Birmingham (freehold with a restrictive covenant)  
 Manse at 155 Victoria Road, Aston, Birmingham (freehold with a restrictive covenant)  
 Contents of the Church Centre premises including organ, furniture, kitchen, office and audio equipment, etc.

**D2 LIABILITIES:**

**NOTE:**

These accounts have been prepared on the "receipts and payments" basis.  
 They were approved by the Trustees

Ann Tempest, Treasurer

## INDEPENDANT EXAMINERS REPORT

Report on the financial statements of South Aston United Reformed Church for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 which are set out on pages one to eight of the accounts on the General Fund, Church Co-ordinators Account, Lunch Club Account, Outabout Club Account, Age Account, Youth and Community Work Account, Communion Fund, Bequest Fund, Café Active and Maintenance Account.

### Respective responsibilities

The Church is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements, and considers that the audit requirement of Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under Section 145(5) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

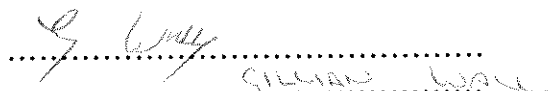
### Basis of Independent Examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions of 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 financial statements, and seeking explanations concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the financial statements.

### Independent Examiner's statement

In connection with my examination of the church funds, nothing came to my attention which gave me cause to believe otherwise than that the financial statements accord with the accounting records of the church, and that those records satisfied the requirements of the Act. I am not aware of any matter to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Signed

  
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406, Sutton Road  
Walsall WS5 3BA

Date:

24/7/23

**SOUTH ASTON UNITED REFORMED CHURCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 516837

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# Accounts

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## **Structure, Governance and Management**

The Church is a constituent part of the United Reformed Church that was formed by Act of Parliament in 1972. South Aston Church (SAC) is a separately registered charity with a charity number allocation 516837 and therefore complies with the reporting requirements for charities in the preparation of its financial statements as outlined in the Charities Act 1993 and subsequent Statements of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORPs).

The Church's business is conducted through the means of quarterly church meetings and an annual general meeting held in May of each year. Elders of the Church meet on a monthly basis to deal with business between Church meetings.

The following committees are responsible for specific elements in the life of the Church:

Finance  
Buildings and Fire Safety  
South Aston Youth and Community Work  
Working with Older People (WWOP)

The Finance Committee has responsibility to prepare annual budgets and associated information necessary for the reporting of the commitments and financial position of the Church. These matters are tendered to the Trustees (Elders) for their consideration along with recommendations as appropriate.

The Finance Committee is made up of the Church Treasurer, a Trustee (Elder), Church Accounts Advisor, Church Centre Co-ordinator and two other persons nominated by the Church meeting.

## **Appointment of New Officers and Trustees**

Members become Trustees on being appointed as Elders. Elders serve a three-year term and retire by rotation and can be re-elected for further terms. All Officers and Committee Members are appointed by the Annual General Church meeting and elected or re-elected annually.

## **Related parties**

The Church is an active participant in the group of Churches from various denominations in the area, known as Aston Churches Working Together.

## **Objectives and Activities**

The objectives of the Church are to advance the Christian religion in accordance with the doctrines, principles and usages of the United Reformed Church in the South Aston area of Birmingham.

Members, volunteers and four paid members of staff, which include a Minister, provide guidance, support and outreach to develop these objectives. These are broadly classified as Ministry and Mission, work in the community at large, work with older people and provision of other outreach activities. Numerous activities are carried out at the premises during the week including Local History, English lessons, South Aston Café Active, Wednesday Welcome, etc. Of these paid members of staff the Minister is funded directly from the United Reformed Church of England and Wales.

The ministerial allocation to SAC is 50% with the remaining 50% of time allocated equally between Wilton Road United Reformed Church and Bishop Latimer Church. Whilst this is a joint pastorate each church is a separate entity in both organisational and accounting functions. The Minister also assists other churches in the area.

## **Finance Review**

The Trustees are responsible for preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Church as at the end of each annual financial period and of the financial activities for that period. In preparing the financial statements they should ensure that they:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- Make judgement and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- State whether the policies adopted are in accordance with the Charities SORP and with applicable accounting standards.
- Prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Church will continue to function.

The Trustees, who meet monthly, are also responsible for maintaining adequate accounting records, to prepare financial statements that comply with the Charities Act 1993 and sufficient internal controls to safeguard the assets of the Church and to prevent fraud and other irregularities.

The Church's income and expenditure is below the level requiring an audit by a Registered Auditor. Instead a review by an Independent Examiner is appropriate and in this direction the Trustees have appointed Mrs Gillian Wall to act in this capacity.

## **Financial Statements**

The Financial Statement for the year ended 31 March 2022 has been prepared in compliance with Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP) as revised in 2005. The analysis of income and expenditure reflects the classification of activities, together with costs relating to administration. The Church does not sell goods or services for commercial profit but does generate income from hiring of rooms, etc. and other events to help defray expenses.

## **Statement of Financial Activities**

In regard to the General Fund account, it will be seen that in the financial year under notice that there was an excess of income over expenditure of circa. £9,300. This situation is as a result of two primary factors, namely an insurance payment of £9,945 and an increase of over £11,000 in respect of room and hall hire over the 2020/21 financial year.

The insurance payment relates to the claim against loss of revenue in the previous year due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Whilst there is a substantial increase in donations, this is offset by the fact that two quarterly payments were not received during the year relating to the Lozells land rental. This situation is being addressed.

In line with the considerable increase in service media charges generally the gas and electricity outgoings reflect these increases.

There have been fundamental changes to a number of the other accounts relating to the retirement of the Working with Older People Development Worker at Christmas 2021. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic restrictions lunch club and out-about, amongst other activities, did not function. A reappraisal of activities relating to this Development Worker has taken place and decision taken to close the Lunch Club and Outabout accounts. There are three accounts involved and at the end of the financial year under notice, one of these has been closed and monies transferred to the Café Active account. Closure of the other two is currently in hand.

The Church Centre was built in 1973 and we are continuing to address the need to replace or improve items relating to the fabric of the buildings of the centre.

The Elders/Trustees are continually examining the Charity's finances with a view to seeking means of endeavouring to increase giving and fund raising. Outgoings are constantly under review.

## **Balance Sheet**

The Church Centre buildings, a small area of land in the district of Lozells Birmingham and the Manse are the property of the United Reformed Church of England and Wales and as such are not valued in these accounts.

## **Reserves**

Unrestricted funds are needed to cover continual new works and property maintenance outgoings. In this direction and pursuant to previous stated intention, a new maintenance account was established in recent times. The seventh full year of this account appears in this report.

## Sources

The Trustees are continually conscious of the need to provide for funds for the upkeep of the Church Centre buildings and in this regard are constantly seeking innovative and new means of fundraising as has been mentioned earlier in this report.

As was mentioned in earlier reports the receipts from hire of rooms etc was considerably reduced during the Covid-19 pandemic period albeit we were glad to note a recovery during this year. There are currently 3 other Christian churches worshipping at our premises at the moment. Other primary sources of income are received through means of voluntary giving by members and friends, various fund-raising efforts coupled with gift aid tax reclaim where this is possible.

## Future Plans

Regarding the matter of the church flat roof, a decision was taken not to proceed with a new roof. However, certain treatment was undertaken to the ceilings in the flat in the hope that this will resolve matters.

In so far as the position of Development Worker with Older People is concerned, it was decided to retain this position and advertise the post with the title of Development Worker Practitioner. It is anticipated that the position will shortly be filled. Grant funding has been secured to cover the financial aspects of this position.

The subject of lighting in the Church Sanctuary is under discussion and it is anticipated that additional lighting will need to be provided. Also, a complete redecoration of the Sanctuary is proposed to be undertaken during the coming financial year.

These accounts were accepted and adopted on 7<sup>th</sup> August 2022.

By order of the Trustees

**Mrs Ann Tempest - Treasurer and Chair of the Finance Committee**

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Mrs Lynn Purchase - Member of Finance Committee (elected by Church Members)**

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

South Aston United Reformed Church  
**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS 2021-2022**

**THE GENERAL FUND - 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022**

<i>AN UNRESTRICTED FUND FOR THE GENERAL PURPOSES OF THE CHURCH</i>		<u>2021-2022</u>	<u>2020-2021</u>
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>			
<b>A1a - Giving</b>	Cash offerings	148.58	153.48
	Envelope offerings	9,814.17	10,236.09
	Donations	4,052.71	687.11
	Tax reclaim on Gift Aid	2,650.34	2,623.44
	Fund raising	0.00	0.00
	Savings Club donated interest	0.28	0.49
		16,666.08	
<b>A1b - Operating</b>	Hire of rooms, halls and parking	15,660.10	4,315.00
	Caretaking	2,999.50	0.00
	Office use payments Age	2,991.75	3,425.00
	Office use payments Co-ordinator	0.00	0.00
	Lunch Club rental (Day Centre Fnd)	0.00	0.00
		21,651.35	
<b>A1c - Investments</b>	Ground rent on land in Lozells	2,050.00	4,100.00
	Bank interest	37.39	72.63
	Church Flat rent	5,852.00	5,962.00
	Net dividends on investments	5,149.98	5,247.36
		13,089.37	
<b>A1d - Other</b>	From Outabout Club	0.00	0.00
	Ministerial Contribution - Wilton Rd	775.64	842.38
	Ministerial Contribution - Bishop Latimer	775.64	842.38
	Pulpit Supply Reimbursement	0.00	0.00
	Redeemed from COIF to Co-Ord Acc	3,000.00	9,000.00
	From Lunch Club Re-imburse	29.88	205.12
	Other	0.00	20.00
	Sale of minibus	1,625.59	
	Insurance Payments - Loss of Revenue	9,945.93	
		16,152.68	
		<u>67,559.48</u>	<u>47,732.48</u>

**THE GENERAL FUND - 1st April 2021 - 31st March 2022**

AN UNRESTRICTED FUND FOR THE GENERAL PURPOSES OF THE CHURCH

		<u>2021-2022</u>	<u>2020-2021</u>
<b>PAYMENTS:</b>	<b>A2a, Fundrse</b>		
	Fundraising costs	0.00	0.00
	<b>A2b Charity</b>		
	URC National Ministry Fund	19,305.00	16,641.00
	Ministerial costs	600.00	732.00
	Donations and gifts	400.00	145.00
	<b>MANSE:</b>		
	Water Supply	287.75	366.63
	Insurance	0.00	0.00
	Telephone	292.49	334.27
	Security system	0.00	60.00
	Maintenance	721.39	828.07
	Council Tax	1,165.45	1,106.86
	Major Works	0.00	0.00
	<b>WORSHIP:</b>		
	Pulpit supply	1,040.00	480.00
	Church Music	0.00	0.00
	Worship and Outreach	650.98	534.25
	<b>BUILDING:</b>		
	Cleaning	2,948.40	2,936.32
	Cleaning Materials	1,372.35	1,724.19
	Church Gas	3,229.28	1,914.96
	Church Electric	2,658.84	2,515.39
	Water Supply	453.22	507.64
	Insurance	3,695.74	3,486.82
	Maintenance	2,616.21	406.45
	Major Building Maintenance Works	0.00	0.00
	Church Flat costs	1,108.56	268.48
	<b>ADMIN.:</b>		
	Telephone	1,090.78	1,476.14
	Stationery copying and postage	2,386.67	1,740.95
	<b>OTHER:</b>		
	Minibus	0.00	1,458.66
	Church Catering	32.39	95.35
	Church Caretaking	5,240.20	2,852.42
	Church Gardening	1,279.40	3,363.30
	Equipment	479.98	43.00
	Bank Charges	148.82	151.74
	Other	20.00	0.00
	Trans to Co-ordinators ac. (from General Fund Acc)	5,000.00	9,000.00
			58,223.90
<b>A2c Other</b>		-	
			<u>58,223.90</u>
			<u>55,169.89</u>
	<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>	9,335.58	
	Combined cash & bank assets, 1st April 2021	19,414.58	
	Combined cash & bank assets, 31st March 2022	28,750.16	

**LUNCH CLUB - 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022**

A RESTRICTED FUND FOR THE CHURCH'S COMMUNITY WORK WITH ELDERLY PEOPLE

		2021-2022	2020-2021
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>	<b>B1a Grants</b>		
	External grant funding	0.00	0.00
	Donations	0.00	0.00
	Fund raising and donations	0.00	0.00
		0.00	0.00
	<b>B1b Charity</b>		
	Meals sold to diners	1,133.00	2,421.00
	Meals sold to volunteers	0.00	0.00
	Tea and Coffee sales	0.00	0.00
	History Group Subs	0.00	0.00
	Donation SAURC Minibus Repairs	0.00	
		1,133.00	
	<b>B1c Investmnt</b>		
		1,133.00	2,421.00
<b>PAYMENTS:</b>	<b>B2a Fundrse</b>		
	<b>B2b Charity</b>		
	Food purchased	805.20	2,071.19
	Cook's wages	0.00	0.00
	Minibus Costs	25.00	465.70
	Rent, heat & light (to Gen. Fund)	0.00	0.00
	Volunteers' Expenses	0.00	0.00
	Equipment and repairs	124.30	222.70
	Entertainment	0.00	0.00
	Monies xfrd to Café Active Acc	1,285.92	
		2,240.42	0.00
		2,240.42	2,759.59
	<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>	-1,107.42	
	<b>Monies held (cash &amp; bank a/c), 1st April 2021</b>	1,619.77	
	<b>Balance (cash &amp; bank a/c), 31st March 2022</b>	512.35	
<b>ASSETS at 31st March 2022</b>	Cash Float	359.43	
	Bank Balance Lloyds	0.00	
	Bank Balance TSB	152.92	
		512.35	

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**AGE FUND - 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022**

		<u>2021-2022</u>	<u>2020-2021</u>
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>	<b>B1a Grants</b>		
	Grant from B'ham City Council (Partnership)	26,492.50	33,182.00
	Fundraising	0.00	0.00
	Donations	0.00	0.00
		<u>26,492.50</u>	<u>33,182.00</u>
<b>PAYMENTS:</b>	<b>B2b Charity</b>		
	Salary (Development Worker)	17,758.33	23,678.04
	Employer's N.I. Contribution	0.00	0.00
	Employer's Pensions Contribution	532.80	710.40
	Office Use Payment (to Gen. Fund)	2,529.25	3,075.00
	Desk Space Admin Support (to Gen Fund)	462.50	350.00
	Admin Support (to Co-Ord Account)	1,828.50	2,308.00
	Supervision Payment (to Minibus Fund)	1,586.00	1,560.00
	Bank Charges	0.00	0.00
		<u>24,697.38</u>	<u>31,681.44</u>
	<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>	1,795.12	
	Monies held at bank at 1st April 2021	12,893.19	
	Balance at bank on 31st March 2022	<u>14,688.31</u>	

**OUTABOUT CLUB ACCOUNT - 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022***A RESTRICTED FUND FOR THE CHURCH'S COMMUNITY WORK WITH ELDERLY PEOPLE*

		<u>2021-2022</u>	<u>2020-2021</u>
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>			
	Outabout	0.00	0.00
	Other Transport Donations	0.00	357.00
	Donations	0.00	0.00
		<u>0.00</u>	<u>357.00</u>
<b>PAYMENTS:</b>			
	Fuel Costs	25.01	398.24
	RAC Membership	0.00	0.00
	Minibus Repairs - Tail Lift	0.00	0.00
	Minibus Repairs/Service	0.00	0.00
	Road Tax	0.00	165.00
	Minibus Washing	0.00	0.00
	Mobile Phone	0.00	0.00
	Driver Payments	0.00	0.00
	Volunteers' Meal	0.00	0.00
	Donation to Minibus Fund	0.00	0.00
	Transport Costs Other	0.00	0.00
	Parking/Other Costs	0.00	0.00
	Blue Badge	0.00	0.00
		<u>25.01</u>	<u>563.24</u>
	<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>	-25.01	
	Monies at bank and Cash 1st April 2021	204.55	
	Monies at bank and Cash 31st March 2022	<u>179.54</u>	
<b>ASSETS at 31st March 2022</b>	Cash Float	123.24	
	Bank Balance	56.30	
		<u>179.54</u>	

**SOUTH ASTON YOUTH & COMMUNITY WORK ACCOUNT - 1st April 2021 - 31st March 2022**

*A RESTRICTED FUND FOR THE CHURCH'S YOUTH AND COMMUNITY WORK*

	<u>2021-2022</u>	<u>2020-2021</u>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
Bank Interest	0.12	1.48
Winter Night Shelter	0.00	0.00
Funeral Offertry	0.00	0.00
Junior Church	340.00	18.00
New Cuttlery	0.00	0.00
Toilet Twinning	0.00	0.00
Commitment for Life	335.34	312.92
Gifts and Donations	315.00	0.00
MacMillan Appeal	887.50	0.00
Gifts to support a Family	410.00	0.00
	2,287.96	332.40
<b>PAYMENTS</b>		
John Taylor Hospice	0.00	0.00
Junior Church	132.74	59.00
C4L Fish and Chip Supper	0.00	0.00
Toilet Twinning	0.00	0.00
New Cuttlery	0.00	0.00
Barry Jackson Tower	0.00	336.00
Gifts to support a Family	410.00	0.00
Winter Night Shelter Tabor House	0.00	800.00
Gifts and Donations	315.00	0.00
Commitment for Life	355.34	312.92
MacMillan Appeal Out	887.50	0.00
	2,100.58	1,507.92
<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>	187.38	
Monies held at bank and cash at 1st April 2021	1,165.89	
Combined Cash and Bank Assets 31st March 2022	1,353.27	

<b>ASSETS AT 31st March 2022</b>		
Cash Float	24.00	
Bank Balance - Current Acc	1,248.84	
Bank Balance - Deposit Acc	80.43	
	1,353.27	

**CHURCH CO-ORDINATOR ACCOUNT - 1st April 2021 - 31st March 2022**

*A RESTRICTED FUND FOR THE WORK OF THE CHURCH'S CO-ORDINATOR*

	<u>2021-2022</u>	<u>2020-2021</u>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
Grant from Church COIF Deposit Acc	5,000.00	9,000.00
Grant from URC West Midlands	0.00	0.00
Donations	0.00	1,500.00
Admin Support from Age Account	1,828.50	2,308.00
Reimbursement of Pension from Age Account	1,420.74	1,894.32
	8,249.24	14,702.32
<b>PAYMENTS</b>		
Salary Church Co-ordinator	7,068.04	11,294.53
Employers N.I.	0.00	0.00
Employers Pension Payment	30.18	338.07
Payment for Age Pension (Direct Debit)	1,420.74	1,894.32
Employees N.I. Caretaker	0.00	0.00
Office Accom. To SAURC General Fund	0.00	0.00
	8,518.96	13,526.92
<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>	-269.72	
Monies held at bank and cash at 1st April 2021	8,401.46	
Combined Cash and Bank Assets 31st March 2022	8,131.74	

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**SOUTH ASTON MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT - 1st April 2021 - 31st March 2022***A RESTRICTED FUND FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE BUILDING*

	<u>2021-2022</u>	<u>2020-2021</u>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
No Receipts	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00
<b>PAYMENTS</b>		
Foyer Lighting Replacement	0.00	1,350.00
Fire Safety Works	0.00	1,736.39
	0.00	3,086.39
	0.00	3,086.39
<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>	0.00	
Monies held at bank and cash at 1st April 2021	36,350.14	
Combined Cash and Bank Assets 31st March 2022	36,350.14	

**CAFÉ ACTIVE ACCOUNT (WEDNESDAY WELCOME) 1st April 2021 - 31st March 2022***A RESTRICTED FUND FOR THE RUNNING OF THE CHURCH'S CAFÉ PROJECT*

	<u>2021-2022</u>	<u>2020-2021</u>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
Transfer from Lunch Club	1,285.92	0.00
Donations	350.00	0.00
Takings	639.52	0.00
	2,275.44	0.00
	2,275.44	0.00
<b>PAYMENTS</b>		
Salary Cash (from takings)	0.00	0.00
Salary Cheque	0.00	0.00
Volunteer Exes (from takings)	1.00	0.00
Food (from takings)	464.70	0.00
Equipment Cash	147.75	0.00
Equipment Cheque	0.00	0.00
T'ai Chi Cheque	0.00	0.00
Advertising Posters	28.38	0.00
Raffle Prizes	0.00	0.00
	641.83	0.00
	641.83	0.00
<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>	1,633.61	
Monies held at bank and cash at 1st April 2021	2,592.04	
Combined Cash and Bank Assets 31st March 2022	4,225.65	
Assets at 31st March 2022		
Cash Float	615.29	
Bank Balance	3,610.36	
	4,225.65	

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<b><u>OTHER MONIES HELD:</u></b>	<b><u>2021-2022</u></b>	<b><u>2020-2021</u></b>
<b>Communion Fund</b>		
This is a restricted fund in which is held donations given at Holy Communion and expended by the Minister for pastoral and community gifts.		
<b>INCOME</b>	41.71	0.00
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>	220.00	40.00
Net receipts (payment) for the year	-178.29	-40.00
Assets at 1st April 2021	493.11	
Assets at 31st March 2022	314.82	
 <b>Bequest Fund</b>		
This is a restricted fund in which is placed money bequeathed to the church for expending on special projects in the Church Centre for the benefit of the disabled, aged, hard of hearing and so on attending the premises.		
<b>INCOME</b>	0.00	0.00
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>	0.00	0.00
Net receipts (payment) for the year	0.00	0.00
Assets at 1st April 2021	585.62	585.62
Assets at 31st March 2022	585.62	585.62

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES at 31st March 2022**

	<u>2021-2022</u>	<u>2020-2021</u>
TSB Perry Barr Current/Deposit a/c	40,609.82	29,293.57
HSBC	0.00	0.00
COIF deposit account	4,367.14	4,365.31
Cash in hand	1,121.96	620.78
Lloyds Bank Accounts	48,092.24	48,361.96
Scottish Widows	0.00	0.00
COIF and Deposit Acc (other monies)	900.44	1,078.73
	<b><u>95,091.60</u></b>	<b><u>83,720.35</u></b>

Representing balances on the following funds:

General (unrestricted) Fund	28,750.16	19,414.58
Lunch Club	512.35	1,619.77
Age Fund	14,688.31	12,893.19
Outabout Club	179.54	204.55
Youth and Communities Fund	1,353.27	1,165.89
Co-Ordinators Account	8,131.74	8,401.46
Maintenance Fund	36,350.14	36,350.14
Café Active	4,225.65	2,592.04
Communion Fund	314.82	493.11
Bequest Fund	585.62	585.62
	<b><u>95,091.60</u></b>	<b><u>83,720.35</u></b>

**D3a INVESTMENT ASSETS:**

	Value as at April 2021	Value as at 31st March 2022	<b>Difference in Value</b>
735 M&G Charifund income units	10,822.21	11,610.87	<b>788.66</b>
2,000 Royal and Sun Alliance Preference Shares	2,606.20	2,120.00	<b>-486.20</b>
18420.893 Jupiter Fund Mgrs (formerly Old Mutual)	24,574.30	22,972.67	<b>-1,601.63</b>
40363.81 COIF Income and Growth Units	126,762.33	134,350.15	<b>7,587.82</b>
	164,765.04	171,053.69	<b>6,288.65</b>

**D3b FUNCTIONAL ASSETS:**

Church Centre Premises in Upper Sutton Street, Aston, Birmingham (freehold with a restrictive covenant)  
 Manse at 155 Victoria Road, Aston, Birmingham (freehold with a restrictive covenant)  
 Contents of the Church Centre premises including organ, furniture, kitchen, office and audio equipment, etc.

**D2 LIABILITIES:**

**NOTE:**

These accounts have been prepared on the "receipts and payments" basis.  
 They were approved by the Trustees

Ann Tempest, Treasurer

## **INDEPENDANT EXAMINERS REPORT**

Report on the financial statements of South Aston United Reformed Church for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 which are set out on pages one to eight of the accounts on the General Fund, Church Co-ordinators Account, Lunch Club Account, Outabout Club Account, Age Account, Youth and Community Work Account, Communion Fund, Bequest Fund, Café Active and Maintenance Account.

### **Respective responsibilities**

The Church is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements, and considers that the audit requirement of Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under Section 145(5) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### **Basis of Independent Examiner's statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions of 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 financial statements, and seeking explanations concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the financial statements.

### **Independent Examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination of the church funds, nothing came to my attention which gave me cause to believe otherwise than that the financial statements accord with the accounting records of the church, and that those records satisfied the requirements of the Act. I am not aware of any matter to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Signed

*G. Wall*  
.....  
.....*Mrs Gillian Wall*.....  
406, Sutton Road  
Walsall WS5 3BA

Date:

*2/8/22*

**SOUTH ASTON UNITED REFORMED CHURCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 516837

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# Accounts

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## **Structure, Governance and Management**

The Church is a constituent part of the United Reformed Church that was formed by Act of Parliament in 1972. South Aston Church (SAC) is a separately registered charity with a charity number allocation 516837 and therefore complies with the reporting requirements for charities in the preparation of its financial statements as outlined in the Charities Act 1993 and subsequent Statements of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORPs).

The Church's business is conducted through the means of quarterly church meetings and an annual general meeting held in May of each year. Elders of the Church meet on a monthly basis to deal with business between Church meetings.

The following committees are responsible for specific elements in the life of the Church:

Finance  
Buildings and Fire Safety  
South Aston Youth and Community Work  
Age and Lunch Club (WWOP)

The Finance Committee has responsibility to prepare annual budgets and associated information necessary for the reporting of the commitments and financial position of the Church. These matters are tendered to the Trustees (Elders) for their consideration along with recommendations as appropriate.

The Finance Committee is made up of the Church Treasurer, a Trustee (Elder), Church Accounts Advisor, Church Centre Co-ordinator and two other persons nominated by the Church meeting.

## **Appointment of New Officers and Trustees**

Members become Trustees on being appointed as Elders. Elders serve a three-year term and retire by rotation, and can be re-elected for further terms. All Officers and Committee Members are appointed by the Annual General Church meeting and elected or re-elected annually.

## **Related parties**

The Church is an active participant in the group of Churches from various denominations in the area, known as Aston Churches Working Together.

## **Objectives and Activities**

The objectives of the Church are to advance the Christian religion in accordance with the doctrines, principles and usages of the United Reformed Church in the South Aston area of Birmingham.

Members, volunteers and four paid members of staff, which include a Minister, provide guidance, support and outreach to develop these objectives. These are broadly classified as Ministry and Mission, work in the community at large, work with older people and provision of other outreach activities. Numerous activities are carried out at the premises during the week including Local History, English lessons, South Aston Café Active, lunch clubs etc. Of these paid members of staff the Minister is funded directly from the United Reformed Church of England and Wales.

The ministerial allocation to SAC is 50% with the remaining 50% of time allocated equally between Wilton Road United Reformed Church and Bishop Latimer Church. Whilst this is a joint pastorate each church is a separate entity in both organisational and accounting functions. The Minister also assists other churches in the area.

## **Finance Review**

The Trustees are responsible for preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Church as at the end of each annual financial period and of the financial activities for that period. In preparing the financial statements they should ensure that they:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- Make judgement and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- State whether the policies adopted are in accordance with the Charities SORP and with applicable accounting standards.
- Prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Church will continue to function.

The Trustees, who meet monthly, are also responsible for maintaining adequate accounting records, to prepare financial statements that comply with the Charities Act 1993 and sufficient internal controls to safeguard the assets of the Church and to prevent fraud and other irregularities.

The Church's income and expenditure is below the level requiring an audit by a Registered Auditor. Instead a review by an Independent Examiner is appropriate and in this direction the Trustees have appointed Mrs Gillian Wall to act in this capacity.

## **Financial Statements**

The Financial Statement for the year ended 31 March 2021 has been prepared in compliance with Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP) as revised in 2005. The analysis of income and expenditure reflects

the classification of activities, together with costs relating to administration. The Church does not sell goods or services for commercial profit but does generate income from hiring of rooms, etc. and other events to help defray expenses.

### **Statement of Financial Activities**

It will be seen that the General Fund account indicates that there was an excess of expenditure over income of almost £7,500. As will be appreciated the whole of the period covered by the accounting timescale has been during the Covid-19 pandemic. As such hire of rooms etc is only 25% or so of that received under this heading during the 2019-20 accounting period. Receipts under the heading of Giving have held steady thanks to the efforts of the charity's members and adherents. As will be noted and appreciated due to the closure of the church premises the service media costs are well down on the year under notice. There was an alteration in the ministerial allocation part way through the last accounting period whereby that assessed to South Aston Church was reduced to 50%. A further church came into the allocation equation resulting in an ability to recover from the two other churches involved certain costs associated with this ministerial situation. These accounts now reflect a full year on this matter.

The Church Centre was built in 1973 and we are continuing to address the need to replace or improve items relating to the fabric of the buildings of the centre.

The Elders/Trustees are currently examining these financial scenarios with a view to seeking means of endeavouring to increase giving and fund raising. Outgoings are constantly under review.

### **Balance Sheet**

The Church Centre buildings, a small area of land in the district of Lozells Birmingham and the Manse are the property of the United Reformed Church of England and Wales and as such are not valued in these accounts.

### **Reserves**

Unrestricted funds are needed to cover continual new works and property maintenance outgoings. In this direction and pursuant to previous stated intention, a new maintenance account was established in recent times. The sixth full year of this account appears in this report.

### **Sources**

The Trustees are continually conscious of the need to provide for funds for the upkeep of the Church Centre buildings and in this regard are constantly seeking innovative and new means of fundraising as has been mentioned earlier in this report.

As was mentioned earlier in this report the receipts from hire of rooms etc was considerably reduced during the period albeit most of the other income areas remained steady. There are currently 2 other Christian churches worshipping at our premises at the moment. Other primary sources of income are received through means of voluntary giving by members and friends, various fund-raising efforts coupled with gift aid tax reclaim where this is possible.

### **Future Plans**

The matter relating to the roof over the church flat has still not been resolved. In fact the situation is now such that the question is whether any work needs to be undertaken at all. We await further developments on this matter. The proposed lighting works mentioned in the previous report have been completed.

These accounts were accepted and adopted

By order of the Trustees

**Mrs Ann Tempest - Treasurer and Chair of the Finance Committee**

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Mrs Lynn Purchase - Member of Finance Committee (elected by Church Members)**

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**THE GENERAL FUND - 1st April 2020 to 31st March 2021**

*AN UNRESTRICTED FUND FOR THE GENERAL PURPOSES OF THE CHURCH*

**2020-2021**

<b>RECEIPTS:</b>		<b><u>2020-2021</u></b>
	<b>A1a - Giving</b>	
	Cash offerings	153.48
	Envelope offerings	10,236.09
	Donations	687.11
	Tax reclaim on Gift Aid	2,623.44
	Fund raising	0.00
	Savings Club donated interest	0.49
	<b>A1b - Operating</b>	
	Hire of rooms, halls and parking	4,315.00
	Caretaking	0.00
	Office use payments Age	3,425.00
	Office use payments Co-ordinator	0.00
	Lunch Club rental (Day Centre Fnd)	0.00
	<b>A1c - Investments</b>	
	Ground rent on land in Lozells	4,100.00
	Bank interest	72.63
	Church Flat rent	5,962.00
	Net dividends on investments	5,247.36
	<b>A1d - Other</b>	
	From Outabout Club	0.00
	Ministerial Contribution - Wilton Rd	842.38
	Ministerial Contribution - Bishop Latimer	842.38
	Pulpit Supply Reimbursement	0.00
	Redeemed from COIF to Co-Ord Acc	9,000.00
	From Lunch Club Re-imburse	205.12
	Other	20.00

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**THE GENERAL FUND - 1st April 2020 - 31st March 2021**
*AN UNRESTRICTED FUND FOR THE GENERAL PURPOSES OF THE CHURCH*

		<u>2020-2021</u>	
<b>PAYMENTS:</b>	<b>A2a, Fundrse</b>	Fundraising costs	0.00
	<b>A2b Charity</b>	URC National Ministry Fund	16,641.00
		Ministerial costs	732.00
		Donations and gifts	145.00
	MANSE:	Water Supply	366.63
		Insurance	0.00
		Telephone	334.27
		Security system	60.00
		Maintenance	828.07
		Council Tax	1,106.86
		Major Works	0.00
	WORSHIP:	Pulpit supply	480.00
		Church Music	0.00
		Worship and Outreach	534.25
	BUILDING:	Cleaning	2,936.32
		Cleaning Materials	1,724.19
		Church Gas	1,914.96
		Church Electric	2,515.39
		Water Supply	507.64
		Insurance	3,486.82
		Maintenance	406.45
		Major Building Maintenance Works	0.00
		Church Flat costs	268.48
	ADMIN.:	Telephone	1,476.14
		Stationery copying and postage	1,740.95
	OTHER:	Minibus	1,458.66
		Church Catering	95.35
		Church Caretaking	2,852.42
		Church Gardening	3,363.30
		Equipment	43.00
		Bank Charges	151.74
		Other	0.00
		Trans to Co-ordinators ac. (from General Fund Acc)	9,000.00
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	<b>A2c Other</b>	-	
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	<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>		-7,437.41
	Combined cash & bank assets, 1st April 2020		26,851.99
	Combined cash & bank assets, 31st March 2021		<u>19,414.58</u>

**LUNCH CLUB - 1st April 2020 to 31st March 2021**

*A RESTRICTED FUND FOR THE CHURCH'S COMMUNITY WORK WITH ELDERLY PEOPLE*

		<b>2020-2021</b>
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>	<b>B1a Grants</b>	
	External grant funding	0.00
	Donations	0.00
	Fund raising and donations	0.00
	<b>B1b Charity</b>	2,421.00
	Meals sold to diners	0.00
	Meals sold to volunteers	0.00
	Tea and Coffee sales	0.00
	History Group Subs	0.00
	Donation SAURC Minibus Repairs	0.00
	<b>B1c Investmnt</b>	
<b>PAYMENTS:</b>	<b>B2a Fundrse</b>	
	<b>B2b Charity</b>	2,071.19
	Food purchased	0.00
	Cook's wages	465.70
	Minibus Costs	0.00
	Rent, heat & light (to Gen. Fund)	0.00
	Volunteers' Expenses	0.00
	Equipment and repairs	222.70
	Entertainment	0.00
	Coach Outing	0.00
	Food Purchased for Vols Mtg and Course	0.00
	Tai Chi	0.00
	Meal for Volunteers	0.00
	Food Hygiene Course	0.00
	Keep fit sessions	0.00
	Art sessions	0.00
	Lunch Club Meal	0.00
	Works Mobile	0.00
	Donation St Mary's Hospice	0.00
	Christmas Party	0.00
	<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>	-338.59
	<b>Monies held (cash &amp; bank a/c), 1st April 2020</b>	1,958.36
	<b>Balance (cash &amp; bank a/c), 31st March 2021</b>	1,619.77
<b>ASSETS at 31st March 2021</b>	Cash Float	180.93
	Bank Balance Lloyds	1,285.92
	Bank Balance TSB	152.92
		1,619.77

**AGE FUND - 1st April 2020 to 31st March 2021**

		<u>2019-2020</u>
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>	<b>B1a Grants</b>	
	Grant from B'ham City Council (Partnership)	33,182.00
	Fundraising	0.00
	Donations	0.00
	TSB Interest Correction	0.00
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<b>PAYMENTS:</b>	<b>B2b Charity</b>	
	Salary (Development Worker)	23,678.04
	Employer's N.I. Contribution	0.00
	Employer's Pensions Contribution	710.40
	Office Use Payment (to Gen. Fund)	3,075.00
	Desk Space Admin Support (to Gen Fund)	350.00
	Admin Support (to Co-Ord Account)	2,308.00
	Supervision Payment (to Minibus Fund)	1,560.00
	Bank Charges	0.00
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<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>		1,500.56
Monies held at bank at 1st April 2020		11,392.63
Balance at bank on 31st March 2021		<u><u>12,893.19</u></u>

**OUTABOUT CLUB ACCOUNT - 1st April 2020 to 31st March 2021**

*A RESTRICTED FUND FOR THE CHURCH'S COMMUNITY WORK WITH ELDERLY PEOPLE*

		<u>2019-2020</u>
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>		
	Outabout	0.00
	Other Transport Donations	357.00
	Donations	0.00
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<b>PAYMENTS:</b>		
	Fuel Costs	398.24
	RAC Membership	0.00
	Minibus Repairs - Tail Lift	0.00
	Minibus Repairs/Service	0.00
	Road Tax	165.00
	Minibus Washing	0.00
	Mobile Phone	0.00
	Driver Payments	0.00
	Volunteers' Meal	0.00
	Donation to Minibus Fund	0.00
	Transport Costs Other	0.00
	History Group	0.00
	Parking/Other Costs	0.00
	Blue Badge	0.00
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<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>		-206.24
Monies at bank and Cash 1st April 2020		410.79
Monies at bank and Cash 31st March 2021		<u>204.55</u>
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	Cash Float	148.25
<b>ASSETS at 31st March 2021</b>	Bank Balance	56.30

South Aston United Reformed Church  
**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS 2020-2021**

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204.55

**SOUTH ASTON YOUTH & COMMUNITY WORK ACCOUNT - 1st April 2020 - 31st March 2021**

*A RESTRICTED FUND FOR THE CHURCH'S YOUTH AND COMMUNITY WORK*

		<b><u>2020-2021</u></b>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>	Bank Interest	1.48
	Winter Night Shelter	0.00
	Funeral Offertry	0.00
	Junior Church	18.00
	New Cuttlery	0.00
	Toilet Twinning	0.00
	Commitment for Life	312.92
	Barry Jackson Tower	0.00
	SAC Day Centre Volunteers Lunch	0.00
	Lay Preachers Meeting	0.00
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<b>PAYMENTS</b>	John Taylor Hospice	0.00
	Junior Church	59.00
	C4L Fish and Chip Supper	0.00
	Toilet Twinning	0.00
	New Cuttlery	0.00
	Barry Jackson Tower	336.00
	Lay Preachers' Mtg Lunch	0.00
	Winter Night Shelter Tabor House	800.00
	Volunteer Exes - Other	0.00
	Commitment for Life	312.92
	Cyclone Idai Appeal	0.00
		<hr style="width: 100%;"/>
	<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>	-1,175.52
	Monies held at bank and cash at 1st April 2020	2,341.41
	Combined Cash and Bank Assets 31st March 2021	<hr style="width: 100%;"/> <u>1,165.89</u>

<b>ASSETS AT 31st March 2021</b>	Cash Float	24.00
	Bank Balance - Current Acc	1,061.58
	Bank Balance - Deposit Acc	80.31
		<hr style="width: 100%;"/> <u>1,165.89</u>

**CHURCH CO-ORDINATOR ACCOUNT - 1st April 2020 - 31st March 2021**

*A RESTRICTED FUND FOR THE WORK OF THE CHURCH'S CO-ORDINATOR*

		<b><u>2020-2021</u></b>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>	Grant from Church COIF Deposit Acc	9,000.00
	Grant from URC West Midlands	0.00
	Donations	1,500.00
	Admin Support from Age Account	2,308.00
	Reimbursement of Pension from Age Account	1,894.32
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<b>PAYMENTS</b>	Salary Church Co-ordinator	11,294.53
	Employers N.I.	0.00
	Employers Pension Payment	338.07
	Payment for Age Pension (Direct Debit)	1,894.32
	Employees N.I. Caretaker	0.00
	Office Accom. To SAURC General Fund	0.00
		<hr style="width: 100%;"/>
	<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>	1,175.40
	Monies held at bank and cash at 1st April 2020	7,226.06
	Combined Cash and Bank Assets 31st March 2021	<hr style="width: 100%;"/> <u>8,401.46</u>

**SOUTH ASTON MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT - 1st April 2020 - 31st March 2021**

*A RESTRICTED FUND FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE BUILDING*

**2020-2021**

**RECEIPTS**

No Receipts 0.00

**PAYMENTS**

Foyer Lighting Replacement 1,350.00  
 Fire Safety Works 1736.39

**Net receipts (payments) for the year** -3,086.39  
 Monies held at bank and cash at 1st April 2020 39,436.53  
 Combined Cash and Bank Assets 31st March 2021 36,350.14

**CAFÉ ACTIVE ACCOUNT (NEW) 1st April 2020 - 31st March 2021**

*A RESTRICTED FUND FOR THE RUNNING OF THE CHURCH'S CAFÉ PROJECT*

**2020-2021**

**RECEIPTS**

Transfer from Y&C Cash Float 0.00  
 Transfer for Youth & Comm Acc 0.00  
 Transfer for Youth & Comm Acc 0.00  
 Takings 0.00

**PAYMENTS**

Salary Cash (from takings) 0.00  
 Salary Cheque 0.00  
 Volunteer Exes (from takings) 0.00  
 Food (from takings) 0.00  
 Equipment Cash 0.00  
 Equipment Cheque 0.00  
 T'ai Chi Cheque 0.00  
 Fuel Cash 0.00  
 Raffle Prizes 0.00

**Net receipts (payments) for the year** 0.00  
 Monies held at bank and cash at 1st April 2020 2,592.04  
 Combined Cash and Bank Assets 31st March 2021 2,592.04

Assets at 31st March 2021  
 Cash Float 267.60  
 Bank Balance 2,324.44  
2,592.04

**OTHER MONIES HELD:****2020-2021****Communion Fund**

This is a restricted fund in which is held donations given at Holy Communion and expended by the Minister for pastoral and community gifts.

<b>INCOME</b>	0.00
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<b>EXPENDITURE</b>	40.00
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Net receipts (payment) for the year	-40.00
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Assets at 1st April 2020	533.11
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Assets at 31st March 2021	493.11
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**Bequest Fund**

This is a restricted fund in which is placed money bequeathed to the church for expending on special projects in the Church Centre for the benefit of the disabled, aged, hard of hearing and so on attending the premises.

<b>INCOME</b>	0.00
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<b>EXPENDITURE</b>	0.00
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Net receipts (payment) for the year	0.00
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Assets at 1st April 2020	585.62
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Assets at 31st March 2021	585.62
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**STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES at 31st March 2021**

**2020-2021**

TSB Perry Barr Current/Deposit a/c	29,293.57
HSBC	0.00
COIF deposit account	4,365.31
Cash in hand	620.78
Lloyds Bank Accounts	48,361.96
Scottish Widows	0.00
COIF and Deposit Acc (other monies)	1,078.73
	<b><u>83,720.35</u></b>

Representing balances on the following funds:

General (unrestricted) Fund	19,414.58
Lunch Club	1,619.77
Age Fund	12,893.19
Outabout Club	204.55
Youth and Communities Fund	1,165.89
Co-Ordinators Account	8,401.46
Maintenance Fund	36,350.14
Café Active	2,592.04
Communion Fund	493.11
Bequest Fund	585.62
	<b><u>83,720.35</u></b>

**D3a INVESTMENT ASSETS:**

Value as at 1st  
April 2020

735 M&G Charifund income units	8,786.70
2,000 Royal and Sun Alliance Preference Shares	2,240.00
18420.893 Merian Mgmt (formerly Old Mutual) Units	22,584.01
40363.81 COIF Income and Growth Units	113,379.48
	146,990.19

**D3b FUNCTIONAL ASSETS:**

Church Centre Premises in Upper Sutton Street, Aston, Birmingham (freehold with a restrictive covenant)  
 Manse at 155 Victoria Road, Aston, Birmingham (freehold with a restrictive covenant)  
 Contents of the Church Centre premises including organ, furniture, kitchen, office and audio equipment

**D2 LIABILITIES:**

**NOTE:**

These accounts have been prepared on the "receipts and payments" basis.  
 They were approved by the Trustees

Ann Tempest, Treasurer

South Aston United Reformed Church  
**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS 2020-2021**

<u><b>2019-2020</b></u>	
	470.13
	9,971.73
	847.19
	2,749.08
	357.49
13,700.61	<u>3.45</u>
	16,540.81
	1,787.00
	3,212.50
	0.00
7,740.00	<u>0.00</u>
	4,100.00
	159.77
	6,022.00
15,381.99	<u>5,668.03</u>
	0.00
	817.47
	526.63
	0.00
	9,000.00
	0.00
	0.00
10,909.88	
<u>47,732.48</u>	<u>62,233.28</u>



South Aston United Reformed Church  
**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS 2020-2021**

<b>2019-2020</b>	
	0.00
	0.00
0.00	1,122.96
	4,849.00
	0.00
	0.00
	0.00
	1,000.00
2,421.00	
2,421.00	6,971.96
	3,383.86
	1,320.00
	1,937.46
	0.00
	290.00
	43.70
	120.00
	0.00
	43.80
	0.00
	153.89
	0.00
	120.00
	0.00
	600.60
	0.00
	30.00
	0.00
2,759.59	0.00
2,759.59	8,043.31

South Aston United Reformed Church  
**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS 2020-2021**

**2019-2020**

	30,087.88
	0.00
	0.00
	20.66
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33,182.00	30,108.54
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	23,389.02
	0.00
	701.68
	3,037.50
	175.00
	1,154.00
	780.00
	0.00
31,681.44	29,237.20
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**2019-2020**

	1,765.00
	1,538.00
	300.00
357.00	3,603.00
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	1,544.53
	354.54
	830.61
	968.14
	165.00
	0.00
	0.00
	30.00
	0.00
	0.00
	20.00
	45.00
	0.00
	10.00
563.24	3,967.82
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**31st March 2021****2019-2020**

	3.37	
	0.00	
	361.20	
	18.00	
	155.00	
	480.00	
	431.00	
	740.00	
	0.00	
	19.87	
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332.40	2,208.44	
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	361.20	
	98.63	
	173.05	
	483.00	
	140.00	
	1,040.07	
	19.37	
	0.00	
	0.00	
	257.95	
	0.00	
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1,507.92	2,573.27	
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**2019-2020**

	9,000.00	
	899.00	
	0.00	
	1,154.00	
	1,871.13	
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14,702.32	12,924.13	
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	11,995.59	
	0.00	
	359.91	
	1,871.13	
	0.28	
	0.00	
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13,526.92	14,226.91	
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**2019-2020**

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**2019-2020**

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	0.00	
	1,739.62	
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	1,505.00	
	0.00	
	1,285.60	
	1,014.97	
	36.10	
	45.99	
	0.00	
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**2019-2020**

62.47

35.00

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585.62

**2019-2020**

36,588.14
0.00
4,360.11
552.02
50,709.54
0.00
1,118.73
<b><u>93,328.54</u></b>

26,851.99
1,958.36
11,392.63
410.79
2,341.41
7,226.06
39,436.53
2,592.04
533.11
585.62
<b><u>93,328.54</u></b>

Value as at 31st March 2021	<b>Difference in Value</b>
10,822.21	<b>2,035.51</b>
2,606.20	<b>366.20</b>
24,574.30	<b>1,990.29</b>
126,762.33	<b>13,382.85</b>
164,765.04	<b>17,774.85</b>

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# PUBLIC WORSHIP FUND 2000-2001

	Cash offerings	2,321.55
	Envelope offerings	11,179.50
	Donations	1,903.76
	Tax reclaim on Gift Aid	1,370.46
	Interest on Tax reclaim	-
	Fund raising	2,048.00
	Savings Club donated interest	-
		<u>18,823.27</u>
	URC National Ministry Fund	16,576.00
	Theological books purchased	-
	Ministerial costs	180.00
	Donations and gifts	163.00
MANSE:	Water rates	392.73
	Insurance	113.77
	Telephone	128.84
	Security system rental	237.90
	Maintenance	755.56
	Council Tax	833.36
WORSHIP:	Pulpit supply	540.00
	Church Music	118.60
	Worship and Outreach	276.27
BUILDING:	Cleaning	136.30
	Light, heat and power	346.30
	Water rates	51.14
	Insurance	498.71
	Maintenance	167.83
ADMIN.:	Telephone	104.43
	Stationery and postage	143.18
		<u>21,763.92</u>
	<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>	<b>(2,940.65)</b>

# CHURCH CENTRE FUND 2000-2001

RECEIPTS:	Hire of rooms halls & parking	3,177.00
	Office use paymnt (CRCW)	-
	Office use paymnt ('Age' Fnd)	820.00
	Lunch Club rent heat & light	2,200.00
	<i>Minibus use (CRCW Fund)</i>	-
	Over 55s rent(CRCW Fnd)	335.64
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		6,532.64
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PAYMNTS:	Cleaning	136.30
	Water rates	306.85
	Light, heat and power	2,077.90
	Insurance	498.71
	Telephone	626.60
	Stationery, copying & postage	286.35
	Minibus	1,152.91
	Maintenance	1,006.98
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		6,092.60
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	<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>	<b>440.04</b>

# CRCW FUND 2000-2001

RECEIPTS:	URC B'ham District ICM Fund	-
	Over 55s setting-up grants	-
	Bank interest for previous year	23.72
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		23.72
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PAYMENTS:	<i>Setting-up costs of Over 55s</i>	-
	Over 55s rent (to Ch. Cntr. Fnd)	335.64
	<i>minibus ( useto Ch. Cntr. Fnd)</i>	-
	<i>Office Use to Ch. Cntr. Fund)</i>	-
	<i>Volunteers' expenses</i>	-
	<i>Worker's training costs</i>	-
	<i>Worker's housing allowance</i>	-
	<i>Equipment and repairs</i>	-
	<i>Repayment (URC BD ICM F)</i>	-
		<hr/>
		335.64
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	<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>	<b>(311.92)</b>
	Current a/c balance at 1st April 2000	488.26
	Deposit a/c balance at 1st April 2000	2,125.18
		<hr/>
	Bank balance at 31st March 2001	2,301.52
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# DAY CENTRE FUND 2000-2001

RECEIPTS:	Meals sold to diners	4,230.30
	Meals sold to volunteers	395.10
	Tea and coffee sales	469.40
	Confectionery sales	418.72
	Fund raising and donations	59.00
	External grant funding	400.00
	Transfer from Ch. Capital Fnd	550.00
	re-paid expenditure for others	698.19
	Transfer from 'Age' Fund	300.00
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		7,520.71
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PAYMENTS:	Food purchased	2,776.82
	Cook's wages	1,488.00
	Tea, coffee, milk and sugar	109.94
	Confectionery purchased	332.58
	Rent, heat, light (to Ch Ctr Fnd)	2,200.00
	Volunteers' thank-you outing	56.72
	Equipment and repairs	90.65
	expenditure for others	698.19
	Sundries	7.20
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		7,760.10
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	<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>	<b>(239.39)</b>
	Monies held (cash & bank a/c), 1st April 2000	571.22
	Balance (cash & bank a/c), 31st March 2001	<hr/>
		331.83
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## AGE' FUND 2000-2001

RECEIPTS:	Grant from B'ham Soc Serv	19,250.00
	Other grant funding	10.00
	Bank interest on deposit a/c	13.97
		<u>19,273.97</u>
PAYMENTS:	Salary (Dev. Worker) *	16,680.00
	Employer's N.I. Contribution *	1,507.65
	Office Use (to Ch Ctr Fnd)	820.00
	<i>Off Use Arrears (to Cap Fnd)</i>	
	<i>Other costs 1999-2000</i>	
	<i>Transfer to Day Centre Fund</i>	300.00
		<u>19,307.65</u>
	<b>Net receipts (payments) for the year</b>	<b>(33.68)</b>
	Monies held at bank at 1st April 2000	169.62
	Balance at bank on 31st March 2001	<u>135.94</u>

\*these figures includes a payment to the Inland Revenue that was not made until just after the end of the financial year although it related to Salary & N.I. costs for 2000-2001. The closing balance figures have been adjusted accordingly.

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## GENERAL FUND 2000-2001

Combined cash & bank assets, 1/4/2000		42,182.52
Public worship net receipts (	118.60	
Church Centre net receipts (p	306.85	
Capital Fund net receipts	-	
Combined net receipts	<u>425.45</u>	425.45
Combined cash & bank assets, 31/3/2001		<u>42,607.97</u>

# CAPITAL FUND 2000-2001

## RECEIPTS:

### a) REVENUE RECEIPTS

Net dividends	3,032.98	
Ground rent on land	1,232.00	
Interest 'General Fund' a/cs	1,046.16	
Income from room lettings at Church Flat Rent	787.00	
	2,782.26	
	<u>8,880.40</u>	8,880.40

### b) EXTRAORDINARY RECEIPTS

Stock Redemption	8,000.00	
Building Survey Grant URC	470.00	
<i>Tax reclaim on investments</i>	-	
<i>Interest on tax reclaim</i>	-	
<i>Office use payment arrears (f</i>	-	
<i>Grant for electrical survey</i>	-	
	<u>8,470.00</u>	8,470.00

17,350.40

## PAYMENTS:

Purchase of CCS fixed interest Fund units	10,089.00
Grant to Day Centre Fund	550.00
Cost of Building Survey	940.00
Purchase of replacement chest freezer	370.12
Church Flat window replacement	2,664.00
<i>Cost of Electrical Survey</i>	-
<i>Purchase of CCS fixed interest Fund units</i>	-
<i>Manse window replacements</i>	-
	<u>14,613.12</u>

**Net receipts (payments) over 2,737.28**

# ASSETS at 31st MARCH 2001

## MONETARY ASSETS:

Bank & cash balances	
Lloyds TSB Perry Barr current accounts	2,517.17
Lloyds TSB Perry Barr deposit accounts	24,492.05
Capel-Cure Sharp Deposit account	18,143.76
Cash in hand	35.50

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45,188.48

Representing balances on the following funds:

General (unrestricted)		42,419.19
Age	135.94	
Day Centre	331.83	
CRCW	2,301.52	
Total of restricted funds	<u>2,769.29</u>	<u>2,769.29</u>
		<u>45,188.48</u>

## OTHER ASSETS:

INVESTMENTS as valued on 31st March 2001 (unrestricted assets)

700 Britannic Assurance Ordinary Shares

735 M&G Charifund income units

£8584.01 Treasury 10% 2001

£98.06 Treasury 7.75% 2012/15

2,000 Royal and Sun Alliance Preference Shares

19,000 Capel Cure Sharp / Gerard Fixed Interest Fund

## FUNCTIONAL ASSETS:

Church Centre Premises in Upper Sutton Street, Aston, Birmingham  
(freehold with a restrictive covenant)

valued for insurance purposes in 2001 at £1,007,093

Manse at 155 Victoria Road, Aston, Birmingham

(freehold with a restrictive covenant)

valued for insurance purposes in 2001 at £106,899

Contents of the Church Centre premises

valued for insurance purposes in 2001 at £60,000

**LIABILITIES:** There were no known liabilities at the end of the year

1999-2000

2,217.41

9,553.15

3,584.54

2,937.44

25.07

1,937.60

1,542.87

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21,798.08

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16,621.00

107.91

135.20

609.57

436.35

109.71

157.24

397.97

380.83

793.38

360.00

473.95

773.38

167.61

254.92

6.11

470.48

490.44

110.56

254.04

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23,110.65

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**(1,312.57)**

1999-2000

1,905.50

400.00

750.00

2,200.00

25.00

220.00

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5,500.50

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167.61

36.65

1,529.51

470.48

663.33

508.07

2,347.44

2,942.65

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8,665.74

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**(3,165.24)**

1999-2000

1,130.00

1,499.57

125.18

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2,754.75

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943.93

220.00

25.00

400.00

135.51

44.00

289.53

96.24

280.00

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2,434.21

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**320.54**

292.90

2,000.00

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2,613.44

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1999-2000

5,052.70

375.30

513.54

439.25

125.00

610.00

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681.80

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7,797.59

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2,540.72

1,488.00

158.08

434.56

2,200.00

112.51

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681.81

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1999-2000  
18,780.00

14.25

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18,794.25

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16,194.00

1,446.39

750.00

225.00

76.40

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18,691.79

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**102.46**

67.16

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169.62

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1999-2000

51,719.36

473.95

36.65

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52,229.96

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1999-2000

2,955.65

1,232.00

1,163.87

1,353.40

2,740.13

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9,445.05

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1,772.86

77.56

225.00

164.50

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2,239.92

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11,684.97

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329.00

11,540.00

4,875.00

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16,744.00

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**(5,059.03)**

1999-2000

1,647.77

34,178.93

9,658.02

52.08

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45,536.80

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42,182.52

169.62

571.22

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## INDEPENDANT EXAMINERS REPORT

Report on the financial statements of South Aston United Reformed Church for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 which are set out on pages one to eight of the accounts on the General Fund, Church Co-ordinators Account, Lunch Club Account, Outabout Club Account, Age Account, Youth and Community Work Account, Communion Fund, Bequest Fund, Café Active and Maintenance Account.

### Respective responsibilities

The Church is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements, and considers that the audit requirement of Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under Section 145(5) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

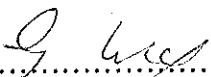
### Basis of Independent Examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions of 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 financial statements, and seeking explanations concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the financial statements.

### Independent Examiner's statement

In connection with my examination of the church funds, nothing came to my attention which gave me cause to believe otherwise than that the financial statements accord with the accounting records of the church, and that those records satisfied the requirements of the Act. I am not aware of any matter to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Signed

  
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..... M M ..... GILLIAN WALL  
406, Sutton Road  
Walsall WS5 3BA

Date:

10/7/21