

NEWTON-LE-WILLOWS CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
CHARITY COMMISSION REGISTERED NUMBER: 701186

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

FOR YEAR ENDED

31 DECEMBER 2023

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Newton- le-Willows Christian Fellowship

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Year Ended 31 December 2023

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Newton-Le-Willows Christian Fellowship

Charity Information

Year Ended 31 December 2023

TRUSTEES: Mr A Thomson
Mr J G McDermott
Mr P Taylor

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WA12 ODY

CHARITY NUMBER: 701186

ACCOUNTANTS: Haines Watts
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Newton -Le-Willows Christian Fellowship

Trustees Report

Year Ended 31 December 2023

The trustees present their report together with the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).

Objective of the Charity

The objectives of the Charity are:-

- (1) The advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with the doctrines set out in the schedule and the Worship of God and the preaching and proclamation of the Christian Gospel and the teaching of Christian doctrine and principles and the pastoral care of Christian people and the printing and distribution of the Bible and Christian literature.
- (2) The relief of persons who are in conditions of need, hardship and distress or who are aged or sick.

Organisational Structure

The Charity is administered by the trustees with voluntary assistance from members of the Fellowship. Spiritual oversight is provided by a full time pastor and an unpaid elder who are also trustee's. Decisions both practical and spiritual are taken after consultation with all concerned and in line with Biblical principles.

Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees

Additional Trustees are appointed by the Trustees from the membership of the fellowship who assent to the doctrinal basis of the Trust and have demonstrated good and sound character in their family, church and work relationships.

Review of Activities

The charity operates on a voluntary basis and provides funds for a variety of beneficiaries in accordance with the Trust deed. It is funded by accumulated income. Receipts have fallen due to a reduced membership and members reaching retirement age. Expenses remain in line with previous years and exceed receipts creating a reduction in net assets.

Mr P Taylor resigned as Trustee towards the end of the year and has been replaced by Mrs Diane Cunliffe in 2024.

We meet on a weekly basis at the Crownway Community Centre and at member's houses for weekly prayer and bible study.

By using existing funds and donations from the congregation we have been able to assist with financial support for a number of people in financial need. This included continuing support for a widowed member and help for elderly members at Christmas.

Counselling continues to be offered to members of the Fellowship and anyone requesting help.

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Trustees Report continued

Year ended 31 December 2023

Registered Charity Number

701186

Principal Office

18 The Parchments
Newton-Le-Willows
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Trustees

The trustees during the year under review were:

Mr A Thomson

Mr J G McDermott

Mr P Taylor (resigned)

Ms D Cunliffe (appointed 20 December 2023)

Public Benefit Statement

The trustees of Newton-Le-Willows Christian Fellowship confirm that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in exercising their powers as trustees.

Reserves Policy

The Fellowship has adopted a policy of building up a general reserve to cover short term expenditure. The general reserve at 31 December 2023 was £50,171.

Date:

4/7/2024

A. R. Thomson TRUSTEE
A Thomson

Newton-Le-Willows Christian Fellowship

Statement of Account
Year Ended 31 December 2023

	2023		2022	
	£	£	£	£
<u>Receipts</u>				
Tithes, offerings and gifts	30,712		30,947	
Bank interest	-		6	
Income tax refund – Gift Aid	2,005		2,183	
		32,717		33,136
<u>Payments</u>				
Accountancy	294		282	
Ministerial oversight	42,000		42,000	
Ministerial expenses	300		300	
Insurance	307		447	
Gifts	5,052		4,883	
Hall Hire	2,186		2,045	
Copyright	163		191	
Bank Charges	-		22	
		<u>50,302</u>		<u>50,171</u>
Surplus of payments over receipts		<u>(17,585)</u>		<u>(17,035)</u>

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities
Year Ended 31 December 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
<u>Current Assets</u>		
Bank current account	50,270	67,869
Bank deposit account	-	-
Petty cash	<u>195</u>	<u>168</u>
	<u>50,465</u>	<u>68,037</u>
<u>Current liabilities</u>		
Bank current liabilities	-	-
Total current liabilities	<u>294</u>	<u>282</u>
Net assets	<u>50,171</u>	<u>67,755</u>
Represented by:		
Balance brought forward	67,755	84,790
(Deficit)/Surplus for current year	<u>(17,585)</u>	<u>(17,035)</u>
Balance carried forward	<u>50,171</u>	<u>67,755</u>

Date:

A. R. Thomson TRUSTEE
A Thomson

Newton-Le-Willows Christian Fellowship

Notes to the Financial Statements

Year Ended 31 December 2023

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective January 2015)', and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income and Expenditure

The Accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

Taxation

As a Registered Charity, the Trust is not liable to UK taxation.

2. Employees

The average number of employees during the year was nil (2022: nil).

3. Trustees Remuneration

Mr J G McDermott acts as a pastor and receives remuneration totalling £42,000 from the Fellowship as allowed under section 5f of the Trust Deed, the other Trustees were not entitled to, and did not receive any remuneration from the Fellowship during the year.

Mr J G McDermott received reimbursed expenses totalling £300 for mobile phone costs.

4. Related Party Disclosures

There have been no transactions with any related parties that require disclosure.

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Newton-Le-Willows Christian Fellowship

We report on the accounts of the trust for the year ended 31 December 2023, which are set out on pages 2 to 6.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to:

- examine the Accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention:

(1) which gives us reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act.

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Date: *11/7/2024*