

# HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 803355

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 1990-06-01

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

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## Activities

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**Objects:** 1. THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH. 2. THE RELIEF OF PERSONS WHO ARE IN CONDITIONS OF NEED HARDSHIP OR DISTRESS OR WHO ARE AGED OR SICK 3. THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION. (FOR FURTHER DETAILS SEE 1ST SCHEDULE OF TRUST DEED)

**Activities:** Huntingdonshire Community seeks to be more than simply a church. We aim to provide services to the community through a toddler group, children's and youth activities, to help to those with debt problems, charity give-away events and other activities.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Services, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

- **Area of benefit:** CAMBRIDGE AND ELSEWHERE
- Cambridgeshire

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£179,647	£163,111	-	-
2023-12-31	£143,555	£156,131	-	-
2022-12-31	£204,761	£212,477	-	-
2021-12-31	£163,924	£122,652	-	-
2020-12-31	£140,276	£143,387	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>JONATHAN GRAY</b>	Chair	
Matthew Leonard Brown		2026-03-16
TIMOTHY ANDERSON		2012-03-01
Veronica Rodrigues		2023-11-09

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# Accounts

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Registered Charity  
No 803355

## TRUSTEES' REPORT

for the year ended  
31<sup>st</sup> December 2024

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**Huntingdonshire Community Church**

**Annual Trustees' Report for the year  
ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024**

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## LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity number	803355
Trustees	Stephen Cawley (Chair) (stood down 31 <sup>st</sup> August) Jonathan Gray (Chair from 1 <sup>st</sup> September) Vicky Rodrigues Rebekah Bennett Timothy Anderson
Elders	Timothy Anderson Trevor Payne (from 28 <sup>th</sup> July) Christine Fisher (from 28 <sup>th</sup> July)
Principal address and registered office	83a High Street Huntingdon Cambridgeshire PE29 3DP
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# REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

## Introduction

The trustees present their report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024. The accounts have been prepared using the Receipts and Payments method, which summarises bank and cash transactions during the year.

## Trustees' Responsibilities

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the situation of the charity and of its financial activities for that year. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to:

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

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud or other irregularities.

## Organisation and Status

Huntingdonshire Community Church (HCC) operates under a Deed of Trust and was registered as a charity on 1<sup>st</sup> June 1990 with the charity registration number 803355. Its main purpose is the advancement of the Christian faith.

The Trustees during the year were: Stephen Cawley, Jonathan Gray, Timothy Anderson, Vicky Rodrigues and Rebecca Bennett. Stephen Cawley stepped down as Chair and as a trustee from 31<sup>st</sup> August and Jonathan Gray then assumed the role of chair. We thank Stephen for his many years of serving HCC as an elder, trustee and, latterly, chair for trustees over at least 2 decades.

Additional trustees are recommended by the church eldership to be approved by the current trustees.

The responsibility for managing the Trust on a day-to-day basis is delegated by the Trustees to the Core Leadership/Eldership Team (see next page), one of whom, the church's Senior Leader, is also a Trustee.

## Public Benefit

The charity trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit in section 4 of the 2011 Charities Act, and the supplementary guidance on the advancement of religion for the public benefit, published by the Charity Commission, in exercising their powers and duties.

## REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

In 2024, HCC's leadership worked to fulfil its charitable aims and objectives as laid out in the Charity's trust deed. These are:

- to advance the Christian faith
- to provide relief for those facing hardship, distress or sickness
- to advance education on the basis of Christian principles

**Recruitment of a Full-time Pastor** A key strategic activity during 2024 was the recruitment of a full-time pastor, with a view to the recruited individual assuming the senior leadership of HCC some time in 2025. This process followed from the current senior leader, Tim Anderson, feeling a calling to return to church leadership in Cambridge, after 14 years at the helm of HCC. Following a thorough recruitment selection process, Matthew Brown was recruited as a full-time pastor, and started work with us on 1<sup>st</sup> September.

**Reconstitution of the Eldership Team** Another long-term church building activity this year concerned the reforming of the church's Eldership Team. HCC is normally governed by elders, in accordance with the Biblical model. For the last 3 years, after a number of elders had stepped down, the church had been led by a 'Core Leadership Team', consisting of Timothy Anderson, Richard Schwier, Helen Cobby (until July), Jean Casling and Mark Knight. In July, Trevor Payne and Christine Fisher were appointed elders, having been endorsed by the church and prayed over on a Sunday morning. They joined Tim Anderson in church eldership, taking responsibility for the spiritual direction of the church. Jean Casling and, latterly, Matt Brown, also attended Eldership meetings.

**Related Network** Another major change affecting HCC came in the middle of the year, when Plumblin Ministries, a ministry group of which HCC has been a core member for years, closed on 31<sup>st</sup> August. Plumblin had linked together a number of churches in the East Anglia region, held events for those churches and had provided leadership input to them. Plumblin closed on 31<sup>st</sup> August following completion of its mission and retirement of its founder and leader. Immediately afterwards, HCC and the churches formerly part of Plumblin joined the Ground Level Network, a grouping of over 80 churches based in Lincoln.

**Fenland Community Church (FCC)** For administrative purposes, FCC had been part of Plumblin Ministries. With the closing of Plumblin, on 1<sup>st</sup> September, FCC transferred to HCC. The accounts therefore include the finances of FCC from 1<sup>st</sup> September.

**Thrive Youth Work** Another change took place on 1st September when the Thrive Youth Work project, initially setup in 2018 by a number of churches in the town, formally transferred from oversight by the Parish of Huntingdon to become a project within HCC. The accounts therefore include the finances of Thrive Youth Work from 1<sup>st</sup> September. The project seeks to help young people (aged 11-18) who are struggling emotionally (eg low self-worth, poor well-being), behaviourally (eg challenging behaviours, bad life choices) and relationally (eg problematic social interaction, vulnerable to exploitative relationships) and at risk of educational underachievement/failure, poor mental health and exploitation. Many are growing up in a disadvantaged local estate area (Oxmoor). The team, comprising 2 professional youth workers and 18 volunteers, delivers two main programmes: 1-2-1 and group mentoring along with lunchtime drop-in clubs in partnership with two local secondary schools; and, youth cafes and holiday activities in the community. All activities combine to help and inspire the young people to choose to build positive relationships, make good decisions, develop emotional resilience and enjoy a strong sense of well-being.

**Priorities** In 2024, our priorities as a church were: recruiting a new full-time pastor, preparing for the leadership transition, establishing the eldership team and continuing to regather and refocus our Sunday morning activities and other rhythms post-Covid.

The Board of Trustees met formally 5 times over the year with further business being conducted via informal means of communication.

HCC delivers its charitable objectives through:

- Sunday gatherings, mid-week small groups and pastoral care open to all
- Supporting and equipping its members and others who connect with us in reaching their full potential in life based on Christian values, through one-to-one support, teaching, training and courses
- Outreach events and activities that advance the faith and enrich the wider community and family life in Huntingdonshire
- Use of '83a' – the Church Centre
- Working together with other organisations

Our Vision as a church is: 'to enable people and communities in Huntingdonshire to thrive, through putting the power of God's love into action'.

The report that follows summarises the activities of the Trust over the past year.

Many of our members either work or serve as volunteers in public office, voluntary organisations, education, or medical professions.

## ACTIVITIES OF HCC IN HUNTINGDON

### 1. Sunday Gatherings, Small Groups and Pastoral Care Open to All

**Sunday Services** The church continued to provide the opportunity for members of all ages to meet together corporately on a weekly basis for worship, teaching, inspiration and fellowship. Most of these meetings took place at Cromwell Academy, in the Hinchingbrooke estate of Huntingdon. An average of around 40 adults attended each service. A parent-led creche was available for children aged up to 4 years each Sunday. On one Sunday, baptisms were held in a local swimming pool. During August and over Christmas we met at our town centre premises, '83a' - 83a High Street, Huntingdon. On 2 Sundays at the start and end of the summer break, we held church BBQs after the service, giving members a chance to meet and relax together informally. Our average adult attendance over the year was 42. In the 4th quarter, the average adult attendance of 40.6 compared with 2023's 4th qtr average of 38.3 – a 2.3 person increase year on year (6% up).

**Childrens' Work** continued on a Sunday, the children leaving the main meeting part-way through the sung worship for their own dedicated sessions. We continued to explore the Bible through reflections, story, craft and activities and prayer. An average of around 8 children usually attended.

**Sunday Youth Work** took place at the same time as the children's work, seeking to build up young people in the church congregation with activities suitable for their stage in life. An average of around 10 young people usually attended.

**Forest Church** On 2 Sunday mornings at the beginning of the year, we met at the Countryside Centre at Hinchingbrooke Park for an event called 'Forest Church'. This provided an interactive session mainly aimed at young families, where those new to the church could engage with simple Bible themes.

**Worship Evenings** On Sundays where Forest Church was held, we held an evening of worship at 83a. This gave opportunities for church members and visitors to worship God in an unhurried setting and to take communion together. Many found these services very meaningful.

**Easter and Christmas Cafes** On Sundays before Easter and Christmas, we held all-age family café events where families were invited to come, take part in activities and have refreshments celebrating the theme of the season. These were well supported and provided a focal point for church members to join with the community in marking these festivals.

**Mid-week Small Groups** Through the year a number of small groups met fortnightly at different locations around the town and surrounding areas and online. This provided a focus for real friendships to develop, for church members to develop further in their relationship with God, to take on one another's burdens and to celebrate each other's successes. One of these groups – centred on the Stukeley Meadows estate - remained online, a new group emerged in Godmanchester and another continued to meet at the Church Centre.

**Café Connected** Café Connected is a group for singles which meets monthly. It is a good space for singles to be together and sometimes hear from a speaker on a topic of relevance to their life stage.

**Pastoral Care** was provided by a number of people in the church. Regular meetings of the Pastoral Team were reintroduced, to give church leadership oversight of the pastoral issues within the church. Individual support was provided by church members to number of people going through difficulty.

**Prayer** Regular prayer meetings were reintroduced this year. Every Tuesday, between 3 and 9 people gathered to pray for the mission of the church, as well as other national and international issues. We also re-established a regular prayer time for 30 minutes before the start of our Sunday meetings. Throughout the year the church felt the benefit of these times of prayer.

**Fenland Community Church (FCC)** FCC is located in March and largely serves those in the town with learning difficulties and, in some case, severe physical disabilities. Led by Ed and Marilyn Kerr, FCC provides monthly Sunday services and also visits a number of care homes in the town for small group meetings.

## 2. Supporting and Equipping Members and Non-Members

As well as pastoral care when needed, support and equipping for adults was provided by the Sunday teaching and small group relationships, together with a range of other events, such as those mentioned below.

**Welcome Lunches** Newcomers to the church who had been attending on Sundays for a month or so were invited to these lunches, which provided a chance to get to know leaders better and hear about the ethos of the church.

**'Next Steps' Course** Those contemplating making HCC their home were the invited on to this course, where our doctrinal beliefs, our mission and values, our structure and major ongoing activities were explained.

**Wetherspoons lunches** Once a month, lunchtime gatherings were hosted at the local venue, providing a cost-effective venue for newcomers to meet church members immediately after the Sunday meeting.

**'Friday Night Youth'** took place at 83a on alternate Friday evenings in term time. Youth from the church and their friends can come to a social space with a monthly evening that includes a spiritual focus.

**Ground Level 'Awaken' Event** A small number of church members, together with a group of youth attended the 'Awaken' Bible weekend on the Lincolnshire showground over the summer bank holiday weekend. This was a great opportunity to meet with other churches in the network we were about to join, and also provided a great time of gathering the youth and for a number of new youth to get to know others in the group, while taking steps to grow their faith.

**Women's Breakfasts** On a broadly 2-monthly schedule, the ladies of the church met on a Saturday morning at our town centre premises for a light breakfast followed by a talk. These were good opportunities for women to mix and share with one another, and many appreciated the support they offered.

### **3. Outreach Events that Demonstrate the Faith and Enrich the Wider Community and Family Life in Huntingdonshire and Beyond**

Throughout 2024 we continued to seek to engage and serve the community within Huntingdonshire. We undertook this in the following ways:

**Rainbow Toddler Group** The Rainbow Toddler group has continued to be busy and lively! Every Tuesday in term-time local mums and carers filled our high street premises with their toddlers enjoying a range of soft play items, toys, a story and singing. Throughout the year we saw over 60 separate family groups attend Toddlers, with over 100 individual children accessing the group.

**Schools Work** Our youth and childrens' workers continued to serve the local schools by taking assemblies and running groups in several local schools. This is done under the banner of Thrive Youth Work, but using HCC paid hours (see below).

**Thrive Youth Work** As mentioned earlier, the Thrive Youth Work project, transferred from oversight by the Parish of Huntingdon to become a project within HCC on 1<sup>st</sup> September. In 2024 Thrive engaged with approximately 335 young people, delivering 204 1-2-1 mentoring and 264 group mentoring sessions in Hinchbrook and St. Peter's schools, accompanied by 168 break-time/lunch-time sessions. Outside of school, 72 Youth Café sessions were delivered alongside events and excursions.

**Creative English** Creative English classes continued throughout the year in term-time, serving those in the area with limited English language ability, giving them confidence in day-to-day situations through role-play exercises.

**Picnic in the Park** Over the summer holiday period, a number of picnic brunches were held in the town's country park. Together with other churches and local council staff, brunches were served to a number of families in need who had been referred to the authorities in the local area. Play space and activities were provided for the children, and over the 3 weeks several hundred packed brunches were made and handed out.

**Christmas Hampers for Local Families in Need** At Christmas, we provided hampers of presents and Christmas food for 7 families identified by Cromwell Academy, our Sunday meeting venue. We also provided 3 hampers for families within the church. These hampers were well received and offered help to those for whom the increased cost of living severely impaired their ability to have a joyful Christmas.

**Photography Club** This year the HCC Photography Club continued, arranging 6 events for those within and outside the church to use their cameras in a relaxed and enjoyable setting. Most events had a social time afterwards!

### **4. The Church Centre – '83a'**

Our church building, '83a', occupies an easily-accessible high street location. Using space that is not required for church activities, it enables us to make available, at affordable prices, rooms for other organisations which operate locally serving townspeople.

The following organisations were hosted in our building during 2024, significantly furthering the public benefit derived from the building:

Huntingdon Area Money Advice  
Thrive Youth Work  
Huntingdon Psychological Wellbeing Service (NHS)  
Choices Counselling  
Cambridge Deaf Association

Strong Intentions  
Adrian Jackson Counselling  
Sefanit Inquai Counselling  
Sue McRitchie Counselling  
Jo Fyfe Counselling  
Kevin Legge Counselling  
Martin Jones Play Therapy  
Narcotics Anonymous  
Relate  
Bedazzle  
Inspired Martial Arts  
Road Victims Trust  
National Citizenship Scheme  
Andy's Man Club  
AG Family Support  
Cambridge Acorn Project  
Squirrel Scouts  
Alternative Provision (SEN teaching provision)

Rooms were also used for a number of family parties and business conferences/training sessions. This year has seen a steady increase in organisations wanting to use our spaces.

### **ACTIVITIES OF HCC IN FENLAND (MARCH)**

The aim of HCC Fenland (based in March) is to help people with a learning disability know Jesus. We do this by providing a fun and accepting environment for everyone, especially people with a learning disability, and encourage them to discover that they are unique, special and loved by Jesus, and can choose to respond to Him at their own level.

All our meetings depend on carers' willingness and availability to facilitate service users' attendance.

**Sunday Meetings** These are held on the second Sunday of each month excluding August. In November it is the third Sunday due to Remembrance Day parades. Average attendance in 2024 was 26, ranging from 20 to 34.

**Meetings in Residential Homes** We meet in two care homes: one for elderly people with dementia and one for adults with profound learning disabilities. The former typically has 11-23 attendees, while the latter has 18-20. Carers attend both.

**Special Festival Meetings** We have held Easter and Christmas celebrations at 3 day care centres and 2 residential homes. At Christmas, one day centre requested a church building instead of the day centre, so arrangements were made accordingly. The day care facilities had approximately 15, 30, and 50-60 attendees, respectively including carers.

**Overall Numbers** During 2024, we made contact with approximately 101 different individuals. This consisted of a mixture of service users, carers, family, friends, and visitors.

**Count Everyone in** We have linked with this Christian charity for many years through its various iterations.

We have attended a "Know and Grow" course, and a Makaton signing course run by them.

Marilyn Kerr coordinates the Zoom prayer and support meeting for other groups in the east of England, and we attend a Zoom prayer meeting approximately every month.

In September, we took some of our folk to a joint 'Count Everyone In' celebration in Cambridge.

**Churches Together in March (CTiM)** We see our role as encompassing the wider church in March. We attend the ministers' lunches and maintain good relationships with the other church leaders.

We were heavily involved in the CTiM / Lovemarch stand at the Christmas Fayre. We distributed hundreds of free mince pies and engaged in conversation as to why, as appropriate. Ed Kerr has run the [lovemarch.uk](http://lovemarch.uk) website for over a year. He has also been responsible for all the work involved in the creation, and allied liaison work, for the CTiM adverts for Easter and Christmas services that were placed in the "March" magazine.

Ed and Marilyn have both assisted with the "Praise Parties" for primary school children for six events this year, and Marilyn assisted with the Children's Summer Club.

## LEADERSHIP AND STAFF - HUNTINGDON

The Core Leadership Team/Eldership Team, who have responsibility for the day-to-day running of the church, meet monthly to plan the spiritual direction and activity of the church.

During the reformation of the Eldership team, in the summer, a number of awaydays were held to refocus on strategy and to build relationship.

### Paid Staff

**Tim Anderson** led the Core Leadership Team/Eldership Team, working 2½ days a week for HCC.

**Matthew Brown** joined us on 1<sup>st</sup> September in a full-time pastor role.

**Richard Schwier** worked 32.5 hrs a week, part of which involved leading HCC youth work. Initially he was seconded to the Thrive youth ministry for 10 hours of this time per week. From 1<sup>st</sup> September, with the transition of the Thrive project to HCC, Richard's Thrive time was funded from Thrive monies rather than HCC.

**Helen Cobby** was employed as Family and Children's Worker for 20 hrs a week. She continued to encourage and galvanise the families in the church, provide material and lead children's and families sessions on Sundays and at Forest Church. Helen stepped down from this role in August.

**Naomi Jeffery** worked 8 hrs per week in the office as an administrator, rising to 10 hrs per week from July.

**Trevor Payne** worked 8 hrs per week as Finance Manager. He also undertook and oversaw many of the admin functions of the office.

**Justyna Kaczmarek** worked 3 hrs a week as a Toddler Group Assistant and 5 hrs a week as a cleaner.

### Volunteers

Jean Casling continued in the role of Associate Pastor with pastoral and other responsibilities across the church.

Mark Knight continued meeting with the Leadership team in the role of 'advisor'.

Many other members of the church served in a voluntary capacity at events and activities throughout the year.

### LEADERSHIP AND STAFF - FENLAND

HCC Fenland is led by Ed and Marilyn Kerr.

### FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Unrestricted income for the year was £161,377 and unrestricted expenditure was £144,381. The Trustees have reviewed the reports and concerns and consider the charity is a going concern.

We retain significant funds in reserve (the Support Reserves fund) to cover salaries and other committed contract costs for a period of three months. Giving by church members gradually increased across the year.

The funds of the charity include restricted and designated funds for the following purposes:

**Designated funds:** Building Renovation, Support Reserves, Donations, Fixed Asset Funds

**Restricted funds:** Toddler Group, Church Family Needs, Community Needs, Building, Audrey Royston Funds, Thrive Youth Work (various)

### RELATED PARTIES

During the year, one trustee, Timothy Anderson, was engaged in remunerated activity and received £23,633 as ministry salary during the year.

Huntingdonshire Community Church is a member of the Evangelical Alliance (Registered Charity Number 212325) and seeks, when and where it can, to support the EA's aims by prayer, financial giving and attendance at events.

The Church was a member of the network of churches comprising Plumblin Ministries International (charity no 327271) until 31<sup>st</sup> August, and from 1<sup>st</sup> September, Ground Level Network (charity no 1001599). We supported both Plumblin and Ground Level financially and by participating in events and working towards the networks' objectives of planting and developing new churches across the country.

This report and the financial statements were approved by the trustees on 2-6-2025 and signed on their behalf by:



Jonathan Gray  
Chairman



Timothy Anderson  
Trustee

## Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Huntingdonshire Community Church for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above Charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024.

### Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act, and, in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Act).

### Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which give me cause to believe that, in any material respect, the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act, or the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

I have no concerns, and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

*Car Cowgill* 13/5/2025

### Mrs Carole Cowgill ACA

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## HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH

### RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024

		<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>Restricted Funds</b>	<b>Designated Funds</b>	<b>Total Funds 2024</b>	<b>Total Funds 2023</b>
	<b>Notes</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Receipts</b>						
Donations and legacies	1	117,798	2,574	0	<b>120,372</b>	92,076
Income from Charitable Activities	2	25,232	0	0	<b>25,232</b>	41,460
Investment Income		1,760	0	0	<b>1,760</b>	823
Other income and Grants Received	3	16,587	15,696	0	<b>32,283</b>	9,196
<b>Total Receipts</b>		<b>161,377</b>	<b>18,270</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>179,647</b>	<b>143,555</b>
<b>Payments</b>						
Worship and service - Staff costs	4	86,622	72	0	<b>86,694</b>	101,142
Worship and service - Other costs	5	34,407	5,052	525	<b>39,984</b>	31,468
Mission services	6	16,008	10,036	2,225	<b>28,269</b>	14,440
Outreach		1,746	383	37	<b>2,166</b>	1,476
Building maintenance and improvements	7	4,998	0	400	<b>5,398</b>	3,375
Governance costs	8	600			<b>600</b>	4,230
<b>Total Payments</b>		<b>144,381</b>	<b>15,543</b>	<b>3,187</b>	<b>163,111</b>	<b>156,131</b>
<b>Net of Receipts/ (Payments)</b>		<b>16,996</b>	<b>2,727</b>	<b>(3,187)</b>	<b>16,536</b>	<b>(12,576)</b>
<b>Cash Funds b/f 1st January 2024</b>		<b>97,289</b>	<b>12,100</b>	<b>46,594</b>	<b>155,983</b>	<b>168,559</b>
<b>Fenland CC funds at 1st September 2024</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>6,563</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6,563</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Transfers between funds</b>		<b>(30,795)</b>	<b>11,721</b>	<b>19,074</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Cash Funds c/f 31st December 2024</b>	10	<b>83,490</b>	<b>33,111</b>	<b>62,481</b>	<b>179,082</b>	<b>155,983</b>

# HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
<b>1. Donations and legacies received</b>					
Fund receipts - Toddlers		554		554	548
Offerings	94,679	2,020		96,699	74,753
Gifts supporting outreach	1,000			1,000	0
Gift aid	22,119			22,119	16,775
	<b>117,798</b>	<b>2,574</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>120,372</b>	<b>92,076</b>
<b>2. Income from charitable activities</b>					
Centre lettings	25,232			25,232	41,460
	<b>25,232</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>25,232</b>	<b>41,460</b>
<b>3. Other income and Grants received</b>					
Miscellaneous receipts	9,670	340		10,010	1,000
Cross charge for youth worker (from Parish of Huntingdon)	6,917			6,917	8,196
Thrive unrestricted income		15,356		15,356	0
	<b>16,587</b>	<b>15,696</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>32,283</b>	<b>9,196</b>
<b>4. Worship and service - staff costs</b>					
Wages	81,178			81,178	94,872
Pensions	3,359			3,359	4,389
Staff socials	280			280	614
Conferences	1,632	72		1,704	1,267
Personal development/training	173			173	0
	<b>86,622</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>86,694</b>	<b>101,142</b>
<b>5. Worship and service - other costs</b>					
Bank charges	67			67	0
Books/media	37			37	65
Children and Youth expenses	1,221			1,221	1,953
First aid training				0	362
Internet/communication	2,113	20		2,133	1,465
Insurance	1,069			1,069	1,018
IT hardware (new laptop)		848		848	0
IT software/consumables	3,410	221		3,631	3,736
Miscellaneous gifts		3,375	525	3,900	952
Miscellaneous expenses	2,564	1		2,565	0
Stationery	157	27		184	211
PA items	223			223	0
Printing and postage	1,138			1,138	1,379
Publicity	796			796	2,270
Refreshments	463			463	768
Subs/licences	3,079	201		3,280	2,699
Toddler group materials	170			170	314
Travel	303	89		392	382
Utilities	9,146			9,146	7,517
Venue hire	8,326	220		8,546	5,952
Gifts to visiting preachers	125	50		175	425

# HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
	<b>34,407</b>	<b>5,052</b>	<b>525</b>	<b>39,984</b>	<b>31,468</b>
<b>6. Mission services</b>					
Donations	3,338	801	2,225	6,364	2,225
less Tfrs to Donations fund				0	0
to Special needs fund				0	0
to Community needs fund				0	0
to Toddler group fund				0	0
Tithe to Plumblin	7,247			7,247	12,215
Tithe to Ground Level	5,423	40		5,463	0
Thrive expenses		2,810		2,810	0
Thrive wages and pension costs		6,385		6,385	0
	<b>16,008</b>	<b>10,036</b>	<b>2,225</b>	<b>28,269</b>	<b>14,440</b>
<b>7. Building maintenance and improvements</b>					
Building maintenance	4,998		400	5,398	3,375
	<b>4,998</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>5,398</b>	<b>3,375</b>
<b>8. Governance costs</b>					
Accountancy fees	0			0	3,486
Independent exam fees	600			600	600
Consultancy expenses	0			0	144
	<b>600</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>4,230</b>
<b>9. Trustees' remuneration</b>					

Tim Anderson was paid a salary of £23,633 in the year for his work as senior pastor.  
He was not remunerated for his work as a trustee.

## HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH

### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (continued)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024

#### 10. Fund Movements

	Cash Funds at 01/01/2024	Fund movements 2024	Cash Funds at 31/12/2024
	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted Income Funds</b>			
<b>General Fund</b>	<u>97,289</u>	<u>(13,799)</u>	<u>83,490</u>
<b>Designated Funds</b>			
Building Renovation Fund	23,907	12,100	36,007
Donations Fund	687	787	1,474
Support Reserves	22,000	3,000	25,000
	<u>46,594</u>	<u>15,887</u>	<u>62,481</u>
<b>Total Unrestricted Funds</b>	<u>143,883</u>	<u>2,088</u>	<u>145,971</u>
<b>Restricted Income Funds</b>			
Audrey Royston Fund	8,869	(152)	8,717
Church Family Needs Fund	142	3,403	3,545
Community Needs Fund	1,596	(123)	1,473
Toddler Group Fund	524	613	1,137
Building Fund	969	(400)	569
Thrive Freeman's Trust Fund		1,669	1,669
Thrive Knife Crime Fund		1,171	1,171
Thrive General Fund		8,837	8,837
Fenland Community Church	11	5,993	5,993
	<u>12,100</u>	<u>21,011</u>	<u>33,111</u>
<b>Total Bank and Cash Funds</b>	<u>155,983</u>	<u>23,099</u>	<u>179,082</u>

#### 11. Fenland Community Church

On the closure of Plumline Ministries on 31st August 2024, Fenland Community Church became a part of Huntingdonshire Community Church, for administrative purposes.

	Cash Funds at 01/09/2024	Fund movements Sep-Dec 2024	Cash Funds at 31/12/2024
	£	£	£
Bank and cash funds	6,563	(570)	5,993

## HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH

### STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

#### AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2024

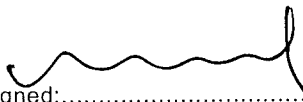
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
<b>Cash funds</b>					
HSBC current account	157,763			157,763	71,355
Barclays savings account	14,935			14,935	84,493
Office petty cash	391			391	135
Fenland CC current account		5,712		5,712	0
Fenland CC petty cash		281		281	0
<b>Total Monetary Assets</b>	<b>173,089</b>	<b>5,993</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>179,082</b>	<b>155,983</b>
<b>Other Monetary Assets</b>					
Due from users of property	6,399			6,399	5,927
Gift aid recoverable	2,170	505		2,675	2,324
	<b>8,569</b>	<b>505</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9,074</b>	<b>8,251</b>

	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost £	Net Book Value 2024 £
<b>Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>			
Sofas	Unrestricted	1,168	0
Photocopier/Printer	Unrestricted	3,720	0
Freehold Land	Fixed asset	60,000	60,000
	<b>Depreciation</b>		
Freehold Building and Improvements	2% of cost	176,851	159,166
Replacement of Upper Flat Roof	5% of cost	16,400	9,020
Forecourt refurbishment (2020)	5% of cost	15,120	11,592
Lower flat roof replacement (2020)	5% of cost	2,100	1,601
		210,471	181,379
<b>Total fixed assets</b>		<b>275,359</b>	<b>241,379</b>

**Liabilities**

2024 invoices paid in 2025  
Tithe due to Ground Level  
Independent examiner's fee  
Staff PAYE and NI  
Staff net wages  
Staff Pension

	Amount due	When due
	£	
Unrestricted	78	Jan-25
Unrestricted	852	Jan-25
Unrestricted	615	May-25
Unrestricted	1,376	Jan-25
Unrestricted	2,187	May-25
Unrestricted	687	Jan-25
	<u>5,795</u>	

  
Signed:.....

Date: 5-6-2025

  
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Date: 10/6/2025.

**HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 803355

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# Accounts

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# HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH

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**Registered Charity  
No 803355**

## **TRUSTEES' REPORT**

**for the year ended  
31<sup>st</sup> December 2023**

**83a High Street, Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire, PE29 3DP**  
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**Huntingdonshire Community Church**

**Annual Trustees' Report for the year  
ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023**

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# Huntingdonshire Community Church

## LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity number	803355
Trustees	Stephen Cawley Jonathan Gray Vicky Rodrigues (joined 9 <sup>th</sup> November) Rebekah Bennett (joined 9 <sup>th</sup> November) Timothy Anderson
Core Leadership team	Timothy Anderson Rebekah Bennett (left 31 <sup>st</sup> August) Richard Schwier Helen Cobby Jean Casling Mark Knight
Principal address and registered office	83a High Street Huntingdon Cambridgeshire PE29 3DP
Independent Examiner	Carole Cowgill ACA 4 Penny Meadow Ipswich Suffolk IP9 2UU
Bankers	Barclays Bank Market Hill Huntingdon Cams PE29 3AE  HSBC St Andrews Street Cambridge CB2 3BZ

## **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

### **Introduction**

The trustees present their report and financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023. The accounts have been prepared using the Receipts and Payments method, which summarises bank and cash transactions during the year.

### **Trustees' Responsibilities**

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the situation of the charity and of its financial activities for that year. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to:

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

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud or other irregularities.

### **Organisation and Status**

Huntingdon Community Church (HCC) operates under a Deed of Trust and was registered as a charity on 1<sup>st</sup> June 1990 with the charity registration number 803355. Its main purpose is the advancement of the Christian faith.

During the year, the Trustees were: Jonathan Gray, Stephen Cawley and Timothy Anderson, with Vicky Rodrigues and Rebecca Bennett joining the Board of Trustees in November.

Additional trustees are recommended by the church eldership to be approved by the current trustees.

The responsibility for managing the Trust on a day-to-day basis is delegated by the Trustees to the Core Leadership Team, one of whom, the church's Senior Leader, is also a Trustee.

During the year, the Core Leadership Team consisted of Timothy Anderson, Rebekah Bennett (until 31<sup>st</sup> August), Richard Schwier, Helen Cobby, Jean Casling and Mark Knight.

## **Public benefit**

The charity trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit in section 4 of the 2011 Charities Act, and the supplementary guidance on the advancement of religion for the public benefit, published by the Charity Commission, in exercising their powers and duties.

## **REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS**

In 2023, HCC's leadership worked to fulfil its charitable aims and objectives as laid out in the Charity's trust deed. These are:

- to advance the Christian faith
- to provide relief for those facing hardship, distress or sickness
- to advance education on the basis of Christian principles

The Core Leadership Team annually reviews HCC's objectives. In 2023, priorities were to continue to regather and rebuild the church following the pandemic lockdowns.

The Board of Trustees met formally 3 times over the year with further business being conducted via informal means of communication.

HCC delivers its charitable objectives through:

- Sunday gatherings, mid-week small groups and pastoral care open to all
- Supporting and equipping its members and others who connect with us in reaching their full potential in life based on Christian values, through one-to-one support, teaching, training and courses
- Outreach events and activities that advance the faith and enrich the wider community and family life in Huntingdonshire
- Use of '83a' – the Church Centre
- Working together with other organisations

Our Vision as a church is: 'to enable people and communities in Huntingdonshire to thrive, through putting the power of God's love into action'.

The report that follows summarises the activities of the Trust over the past year.

Many of our members either work or serve as volunteers in public office, voluntary organisations, education, or medical professions.

## 1. Sunday Gatherings, Small Groups and Pastoral Care Open to All

**Sunday Services** The church continued to provide the opportunity for members of all ages to meet together corporately on a weekly basis for worship, teaching, inspiration and fellowship. Most of these meetings took place at Cromwell Academy, in the Hinchingbrooke estate of Huntingdon. During August and over Christmas we met at our town centre premises, '83a' - 83a High Street, Huntingdon. On 2 Sundays at the start and end of the summer break, we held church BBQs after the service, giving members a chance to meet and relax together informally.

**Forest Church** Some Sundays took a different form, with young families meeting in Hinchingbrooke Park for an event called 'Forest Church'. This built on the successes from 2022, providing an interactive session where those new to the church could engage with simple Bible themes. We continued to see one or two families join us who had earlier attended the Rainbow Toddler Group sessions.

**Worship Evenings** On Sundays where Forest Church was held, we held an evening of worship at 83a. This gave opportunities for church members and visitors to worship God in an unhurried setting and to take communion together. Many found these services very meaningful.

**Easter and Christmas Cafes** On Sundays before Easter and Christmas, we held all-age family café events where families were invited to come, take part in activities and have refreshments celebrating the theme of the season. These were well supported and provided a focal point for church members to join with the community in marking these festivals.

**Mid-week Small Groups** Through the year a number of small groups met fortnightly at different locations around the town and surrounding areas and online. This provided a focus for real friendships to develop, for church members to develop further in their relationship with God, to take on one another's burdens and to celebrate each other's successes. Some of these groups remained online as this helped particularly young families to engage.

**Pastoral Care** was provided by a small number of people in the church. Individual support was provided to number of people going through difficulty.

## 2. Supporting and Equipping Members and Non-Members

As well as pastoral care when needed, support and equipping for adults was provided by the Sunday teaching and small group relationships. Newcomers to the church who had been attending on Sundays for a month or so were invited to **Welcome Lunches**, which provided a chance to get to know leaders better and hear about the ethos of the church. Those contemplating making HCC their home were the invited to a **'Next Steps'** course, where our doctrinal beliefs, our mission and values, our structure and major ongoing activities were explained. Once a month, **Wetherspoons lunches** were hosted at the local venue, providing a cost-effective venue for newcomers to meet church members immediately after Sunday the meeting.

**Childrens' Work** continued on a Sunday, the children leaving the main meeting part-way through the worship for their own dedicated sessions. We continued to explore the Bible through reflections, story, craft and activities and prayer.

**Sunday Youth Work** took place at the same time as the children's work, seeking to build up young people in the church congregation with activities suitable for their stage in life.

**'Friday Night Youth'** took place at 83a on alternate Friday evenings in term time. Youth from the church and their friends can come to a social space with a monthly evening that includes a spiritual focus.

**'Dreaming The Impossible'** A group of youth and staff members attended the 'Dreaming The Impossible' event on the Peterborough showground in the summer. This was a great time of gathering the youth together and many made steps forward in their faith and their own development.

### **3. Outreach Events that Demonstrate the Faith and Enrich the Wider Community and Family Life in Huntingdonshire and Beyond**

Throughout 2023 we continued to seek to engage and serve the community within Huntingdonshire. We undertook this in the following ways:

**Toddler Group** The Rainbow Toddler group has continued to be busy and lively! During Autumn 2023 we moved back from our Covid structure of two short sessions to one longer one but kept our booking-in structure. Throughout the year we saw over 60 separate family groups attend Toddlers, with over 100 individual children accessing the group.

**Schools Work** Our youth and childrens' workers continued to serve the local schools by taking assemblies and running groups in several local schools. This is done under the banner of 'Thrive', a Christian youth organisation supported by a number of churches in the area, but using HCC paid hours.

**Thrive Youthwork** In addition to the above, the senior leader and others in the church contributed significantly towards building up Thrive as an organisation, helping it to become viable long term as a ministry to youth in the town.

**Creative English** Creative English continued throughout the year, serving those in the area with limited English language ability, giving them confidence in day-to-day situations through role-play exercises.

**Picnic in the Park** Over the summer holiday period, a number of picnic brunches were held in the town's country park. Together with other churches and local council staff, brunches were served to a number of families in need who had been referred to the authorities in the local area. Play space and activities were provide for the children, and parents/carers were given a wholesome meal and over the 3 weeks more than 200 pack lunches were made and handed out.

### **4. The Church Centre – '83a'**

Our church building, '83a', occupies an easily-accessible high street location. Using space that is not required for church activities, it enables us to provide, at affordable prices, rooms for other organisations which operate locally in serving townspeople.

The following organisations were hosted on a regular basis in our building throughout 2023, significantly furthering the public benefit derived from the building:

Huntingdon Area Money Advice (given free office space within the building)  
Huntingdon Psychological Wellbeing Service  
Choices Counselling  
Cambridge Deaf Organisation  
Road Victims Trust  
Adrian Jackson Counselling  
Sefanit Inquai Counselling  
Sue McRitchie Counselling  
Toni Hasler Counselling  
Narcotics Anonymous  
Centre 33  
Seetec  
Relate  
Bedazzle  
Inspired Martial Arts  
Road Victims Trust

Rooms were also used for a number of family parties and business conferences/training sessions. Sadly, we continue to see a decrease in organisations wanting to use our spaces, partly due to more counselling taking place online.

## **LEADERSHIP AND STAFF**

The Core Leadership Team, who have responsibility for the day-to-day running of the church, meet monthly to plan the spiritual direction and activity of the church.

### **Paid Staff**

**Tim Anderson** led the Core Leadership Team, working 2½ days a week for HCC.

**Rebekah Bennett** served as Operations Manager until 31<sup>st</sup> August, working 32 hours a week. She headed up the operational aspects of Church life, line managing staff teams and managing our centre, 83a.

**Richard Schwier** worked 32.5 hrs a week, leading HCC youth work and being seconded to the Thrive youth ministry for 10 hours of this time per week.

**Helen Cobby** was employed as Family and Children's Worker for 20 hrs a week. She continued to encourage and galvanise the families in the church, provide material and lead children's and families sessions on Sundays and at Forest Church.

**Naomi Jeffery** joined on 1<sup>st</sup> May to work 8 hrs per week in the office as an administrator.

**Trevor Payne** rejoined the staff team on 1<sup>st</sup> November as Finance Manager, working 8 hrs per week.

**Justyna Kaczmarek** worked 3 hrs a week as a Toddler Group Assistant and 5 hrs a week as a cleaner.

**Dan Flint** worked 5 hrs a week as an assistant in Rainbow Toddlers but finished his contract with us in the summer term of 2023.

## **Volunteers**

Jean Casling continued in the role of Associate Pastor with pastoral and other responsibilities across the church.

Mark Knight continued meeting with the Leadership team in the role of 'advisor'.

Many other members of the church served in a voluntary capacity at events and activities throughout the year.

## **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Unrestricted income for the year was £142,962 and unrestricted expenditure was £152,562. The Trustees have reviewed the reports and concerns and consider the charity is a going concern.

We retain significant funds in reserve (the Support Reserves fund) to cover salaries and other committed contract costs for a period of three months. Giving by church members was broadly stable across the year.

The funds of the charity include restricted and designated funds for the following purposes:

**Designated funds:** Building Renovation, Support Reserves, Donations, Fixed Asset Funds

**Restricted funds:** Toddler Group, Special Needs, Community Needs, Building, Audrey Royston Funds

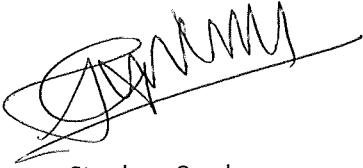
## **RELATED PARTIES**

During the year one trustee, Timothy Anderson, was engaged in remunerated activity and received £22,945 as ministry salary during the year.

Huntingdonshire Community Church is a member of the Evangelical Alliance (Registered Charity Number 212325) and seeks, when and where it can, to support the EA's aims by prayer, financial giving and attendance at events.

The Church is also a member of the network of churches comprising Plumblin Ministries International (Registered Charity No 327271). We support Plumblin both financially and by participating in Plumblin events and working towards Plumblin's objectives of planting and developing new churches across the country.

This report and the financial statements were approved by the trustees on ~~16~~/1/24 and signed on their behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'S. Cawley', written over a horizontal line.

Stephen Cawley  
Chairman

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'T. Anderson', written over a horizontal line.

Timothy Anderson  
Trustee

## **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Huntingdonshire Community Church for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above Charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023.

### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act, and, in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Act).

### **Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which give me cause to believe that, in any material respect, the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act, or the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

I have no concerns, and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

*Carole Cowgill* 3/5/2024

### **Mrs Carole Cowgill ACA**

4 Penny Meadow, Capel St Mary, Ipswich, Suffolk, IP9 2UU



## HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH

### RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023

		<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>Restricted Funds</b>	<b>Designated Funds</b>	<b>Total Funds 2023</b>	<b>Total Funds 2022</b>
	<b>Notes</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Receipts</b>						
Donations and legacies	1	91,528	548	0	<b>92,076</b>	144,240
Income from Charitable Activities	2	41,460			<b>41,460</b>	48,503
Investment Income		823			<b>823</b>	84
Other income and Grants Received	3	9,151	45		<b>9,196</b>	12,960
<b>Total Receipts</b>		<b>142,962</b>	<b>593</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>143,555</b>	<b>205,787</b>
<b>Payments</b>						
Worship and service - Staff costs	4	101,142			<b>101,142</b>	109,995
Worship and service - Other costs	5	30,724	744		<b>31,468</b>	19,068
Mission services	6	12,215	0	2,225	<b>14,440</b>	26,678
Outreach		876	600		<b>1,476</b>	53,447
Building maintenance and improvements	7	3,375	0		<b>3,375</b>	4,331
Governance costs	8	4,230			<b>4,230</b>	2,045
<b>Total Payments</b>		<b>152,562</b>	<b>1,344</b>	<b>2,225</b>	<b>156,131</b>	<b>215,564</b>
<b>Net of Receipts/ (Payments)</b>		<b>(9,600)</b>	<b>(751)</b>	<b>(2,225)</b>	<b>(12,576)</b>	<b>(9,777)</b>
<b>Cash Funds b/f 1st January 2023</b>		<b>118,890</b>	<b>2,866</b>	<b>46,803</b>	<b>168,559</b>	<b>178,336</b>
<b>Transfers between funds</b>		<b>(12,001)</b>	<b>9,985</b>	<b>2,016</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Cash Funds c/f 31st December 2023</b>	9	<b>97,289</b>	<b>12,100</b>	<b>46,594</b>	<b>155,983</b>	<b>168,559</b>

# HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Designated Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>1. Donations and legacies received</b>					
Fund receipts - Toddlers		548		548	401
Offerings	74,753			74,753	73,825
Gifts supporting outreach				0	56,597
Gift aid	16,775			16,775	13,417
less tfrs to Donations fund to Special needs fund					
	<b>91,528</b>	<b>548</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>92,076</b>	<b>144,240</b>
<b>2. Income from charitable activities</b>					
Centre lettings	41,460			41,460	48,319
Reimbursements				0	184
	<b>41,460</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>41,460</b>	<b>48,503</b>
<b>3. Other income and Grants received</b>					
Insurance loss of income claim				0	4,786
Miscellaneous receipts	955	45		1,000	410
Cross charge for youth worker (from Parish of Huntingdon)	8,196			8,196	7,764
	<b>9,151</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9,196</b>	<b>12,960</b>
<b>4. Worship and service - staff costs</b>					
Wages	94,872			94,872	103,286
Pensions	4,389			4,389	5,793
Staff socials	614			614	481
Conferences	1,267			1,267	235
Personal development/training				0	200
	<b>101,142</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>101,142</b>	<b>109,995</b>

# HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Designated Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>5. Worship and service - other costs</b>					
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Books/media	65			65	307
Children and Youth expenses	1,953			1,953	1,092
Craft materials				0	0
First aid training	362			362	0
Internet/communication	1,465			1,465	1,372
Insurance	1,018			1,018	968
IT software/consumables	3,736			3,736	177
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Stationery	211			211	202
PA items				0	75
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Utilities	7,517			7,517	2,369
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Gifts to visiting preachers	425			425	250
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<b>6. Mission services</b>					
Donations			2,225	2,225	5,310
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Tithe to Plumblin	12,215			12,215	21,368
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<b>7 Building maintenance and improvements</b>					
Building maintenance	3,375			3,375	2,556
Building improvements					
- forecourt refurbishment				0	0
- flat roof repair				0	0
Furniture replacement				0	1,775
	<b>3,375</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,375</b>	<b>4,331</b>

# HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Designated Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>8. Governance costs</b>					
Accountancy fees	3486			3,486	1,470
Independent exam fees	600			600	575
Consultancy expenses	144			144	0
	<b>4,230</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,230</b>	<b>2,045</b>

## HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH

### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (continued)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023

#### 9. Funds Movements

	Cash Funds at 01/01/2023	Fund movements 2023	Cash Funds at 31/12/2023
	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted Income Funds</b>			
<b>General Fund</b>	<u>118,890</u>	<u>(21,601)</u>	<u>97,289</u>
<b>Designated Funds</b>			
Building renovation fund	23,907		23,907
Donations fund	896	(209)	687
Support reserves	<u>22,000</u>		<u>22,000</u>
	<u>46,803</u>	<u>(209)</u>	<u>46,594</u>
<b>Total Unrestricted Funds</b>	<u><u>165,693</u></u>	<u><u>(21,810)</u></u>	<u><u>143,883</u></u>
<b>Restricted Income Funds</b>			
Audrey Royston fund		8,869	8,869
Special needs fund	202	(60)	142
Community needs fund	1,571	25	1,596
Toddler group fund	124	400	524
Building fund	<u>969</u>		<u>969</u>
	<u>2,866</u>	<u>9,234</u>	<u>12,100</u>
<b>Total Bank and Cash Funds</b>	<u><u>168,559</u></u>	<u><u>(12,576)</u></u>	<u><u>155,983</u></u>

# HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH

## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

### AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2023

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
<b>Cash funds</b>					
HSBC current account				71,355	81,803
Barclays savings account				84,493	86,461
Office petty cash				135	295
<b>Total Monetary Assets</b>				<b>155,983</b>	<b>168,559</b>
<b>Other Monetary Assets</b>					
Due from users of property	5,927			5,927	5,203
Gift aid recoverable	2,324			2,324	2,897
	<u>8,251</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>8,251</u>	<u>8,100</u>

	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost £	Net Book Value 2023 £
<b>Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>			
Sofas	Unrestricted	1,168	0
Photocopier/Printer	Unrestricted	3,720	0
Freehold Land	Fixed asset	60,000	60,000
	<b>Depreciation</b>		
Freehold Building and Improvements	2% of cost Fixed asset	176,851	162,703
Replacement of Upper Flat Roof	5% of cost Fixed asset	16,400	9,840
Forecourt refurbishment (2020)	5% of cost Fixed asset	15,120	12,348
Lower flat roof replacement (2020)	5% of cost Fixed asset	2,100	1,706
		<u>210,471</u>	<u>186,597</u>
<b>Total fixed assets</b>		<b>275,359</b>	<b>246,597</b>



# HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH

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**Registered Charity  
No 803355**

## **TRUSTEES' REPORT**

**for the year ended  
31<sup>st</sup> December 2023**

**83a High Street, Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire, PE29 3DP**  
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**Huntingdonshire Community Church**

**Annual Trustees' Report for the year  
ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023**

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# Huntingdonshire Community Church

## LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity number	803355
Trustees	Stephen Cawley Jonathan Gray Vicky Rodrigues (joined 9 <sup>th</sup> November) Rebekah Bennett (joined 9 <sup>th</sup> November) Timothy Anderson
Core Leadership team	Timothy Anderson Rebekah Bennett (left 31 <sup>st</sup> August) Richard Schwier Helen Cobby Jean Casling Mark Knight
Principal address and registered office	83a High Street Huntingdon Cambridgeshire PE29 3DP
Independent Examiner	Carole Cowgill ACA 4 Penny Meadow Ipswich Suffolk IP9 2UU
Bankers	Barclays Bank Market Hill Huntingdon Cams PE29 3AE  HSBC St Andrews Street Cambridge CB2 3BZ

## **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

### **Introduction**

The trustees present their report and financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023. The accounts have been prepared using the Receipts and Payments method, which summarises bank and cash transactions during the year.

### **Trustees' Responsibilities**

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the situation of the charity and of its financial activities for that year. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to:

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

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud or other irregularities.

### **Organisation and Status**

Huntingdon Community Church (HCC) operates under a Deed of Trust and was registered as a charity on 1<sup>st</sup> June 1990 with the charity registration number 803355. Its main purpose is the advancement of the Christian faith.

During the year, the Trustees were: Jonathan Gray, Stephen Cawley and Timothy Anderson, with Vicky Rodrigues and Rebecca Bennett joining the Board of Trustees in November.

Additional trustees are recommended by the church eldership to be approved by the current trustees.

The responsibility for managing the Trust on a day-to-day basis is delegated by the Trustees to the Core Leadership Team, one of whom, the church's Senior Leader, is also a Trustee.

During the year, the Core Leadership Team consisted of Timothy Anderson, Rebekah Bennett (until 31<sup>st</sup> August), Richard Schwier, Helen Cobby, Jean Casling and Mark Knight.

## **Public benefit**

The charity trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit in section 4 of the 2011 Charities Act, and the supplementary guidance on the advancement of religion for the public benefit, published by the Charity Commission, in exercising their powers and duties.

## **REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS**

In 2023, HCC's leadership worked to fulfil its charitable aims and objectives as laid out in the Charity's trust deed. These are:

- to advance the Christian faith
- to provide relief for those facing hardship, distress or sickness
- to advance education on the basis of Christian principles

The Core Leadership Team annually reviews HCC's objectives. In 2023, priorities were to continue to regather and rebuild the church following the pandemic lockdowns.

The Board of Trustees met formally 3 times over the year with further business being conducted via informal means of communication.

HCC delivers its charitable objectives through:

- Sunday gatherings, mid-week small groups and pastoral care open to all
- Supporting and equipping its members and others who connect with us in reaching their full potential in life based on Christian values, through one-to-one support, teaching, training and courses
- Outreach events and activities that advance the faith and enrich the wider community and family life in Huntingdonshire
- Use of '83a' – the Church Centre
- Working together with other organisations

Our Vision as a church is: 'to enable people and communities in Huntingdonshire to thrive, through putting the power of God's love into action'.

The report that follows summarises the activities of the Trust over the past year.

Many of our members either work or serve as volunteers in public office, voluntary organisations, education, or medical professions.

## 1. Sunday Gatherings, Small Groups and Pastoral Care Open to All

**Sunday Services** The church continued to provide the opportunity for members of all ages to meet together corporately on a weekly basis for worship, teaching, inspiration and fellowship. Most of these meetings took place at Cromwell Academy, in the Hinchingbrooke estate of Huntingdon. During August and over Christmas we met at our town centre premises, '83a' - 83a High Street, Huntingdon. On 2 Sundays at the start and end of the summer break, we held church BBQs after the service, giving members a chance to meet and relax together informally.

**Forest Church** Some Sundays took a different form, with young families meeting in Hinchingbrooke Park for an event called 'Forest Church'. This built on the successes from 2022, providing an interactive session where those new to the church could engage with simple Bible themes. We continued to see one or two families join us who had earlier attended the Rainbow Toddler Group sessions.

**Worship Evenings** On Sundays where Forest Church was held, we held an evening of worship at 83a. This gave opportunities for church members and visitors to worship God in an unhurried setting and to take communion together. Many found these services very meaningful.

**Easter and Christmas Cafes** On Sundays before Easter and Christmas, we held all-age family café events where families were invited to come, take part in activities and have refreshments celebrating the theme of the season. These were well supported and provided a focal point for church members to join with the community in marking these festivals.

**Mid-week Small Groups** Through the year a number of small groups met fortnightly at different locations around the town and surrounding areas and online. This provided a focus for real friendships to develop, for church members to develop further in their relationship with God, to take on one another's burdens and to celebrate each other's successes. Some of these groups remained online as this helped particularly young families to engage.

**Pastoral Care** was provided by a small number of people in the church. Individual support was provided to number of people going through difficulty.

## 2. Supporting and Equipping Members and Non-Members

As well as pastoral care when needed, support and equipping for adults was provided by the Sunday teaching and small group relationships. Newcomers to the church who had been attending on Sundays for a month or so were invited to **Welcome Lunches**, which provided a chance to get to know leaders better and hear about the ethos of the church. Those contemplating making HCC their home were the invited to a **'Next Steps'** course, where our doctrinal beliefs, our mission and values, our structure and major ongoing activities were explained. Once a month, **Wetherspoons lunches** were hosted at the local venue, providing a cost-effective venue for newcomers to meet church members immediately after Sunday the meeting.

**Childrens' Work** continued on a Sunday, the children leaving the main meeting part-way through the worship for their own dedicated sessions. We continued to explore the Bible through reflections, story, craft and activities and prayer.

**Sunday Youth Work** took place at the same time as the children's work, seeking to build up young people in the church congregation with activities suitable for their stage in life.

**'Friday Night Youth'** took place at 83a on alternate Friday evenings in term time. Youth from the church and their friends can come to a social space with a monthly evening that includes a spiritual focus.

**'Dreaming The Impossible'** A group of youth and staff members attended the 'Dreaming The Impossible' event on the Peterborough showground in the summer. This was a great time of gathering the youth together and many made steps forward in their faith and their own development.

### **3. Outreach Events that Demonstrate the Faith and Enrich the Wider Community and Family Life in Huntingdonshire and Beyond**

Throughout 2023 we continued to seek to engage and serve the community within Huntingdonshire. We undertook this in the following ways:

**Toddler Group** The Rainbow Toddler group has continued to be busy and lively! During Autumn 2023 we moved back from our Covid structure of two short sessions to one longer one but kept our booking-in structure. Throughout the year we saw over 60 separate family groups attend Toddlers, with over 100 individual children accessing the group.

**Schools Work** Our youth and childrens' workers continued to serve the local schools by taking assemblies and running groups in several local schools. This is done under the banner of 'Thrive', a Christian youth organisation supported by a number of churches in the area, but using HCC paid hours.

**Thrive Youthwork** In addition to the above, the senior leader and others in the church contributed significantly towards building up Thrive as an organisation, helping it to become viable long term as a ministry to youth in the town.

**Creative English** Creative English continued throughout the year, serving those in the area with limited English language ability, giving them confidence in day-to-day situations through role-play exercises.

**Picnic in the Park** Over the summer holiday period, a number of picnic brunches were held in the town's country park. Together with other churches and local council staff, brunches were served to a number of families in need who had been referred to the authorities in the local area. Play space and activities were provide for the children, and parents/carers were given a wholesome meal and over the 3 weeks more than 200 pack lunches were made and handed out.

### **4. The Church Centre – '83a'**

Our church building, '83a', occupies an easily-accessible high street location. Using space that is not required for church activities, it enables us to provide, at affordable prices, rooms for other organisations which operate locally in serving townspeople.

The following organisations were hosted on a regular basis in our building throughout 2023, significantly furthering the public benefit derived from the building:

Huntingdon Area Money Advice (given free office space within the building)  
Huntingdon Psychological Wellbeing Service  
Choices Counselling  
Cambridge Deaf Organisation  
Road Victims Trust  
Adrian Jackson Counselling  
Sefanit Inquai Counselling  
Sue McRitchie Counselling  
Toni Hasler Counselling  
Narcotics Anonymous  
Centre 33  
Seetec  
Relate  
Bedazzle  
Inspired Martial Arts  
Road Victims Trust

Rooms were also used for a number of family parties and business conferences/training sessions. Sadly, we continue to see a decrease in organisations wanting to use our spaces, partly due to more counselling taking place online.

## **LEADERSHIP AND STAFF**

The Core Leadership Team, who have responsibility for the day-to-day running of the church, meet monthly to plan the spiritual direction and activity of the church.

### **Paid Staff**

**Tim Anderson** led the Core Leadership Team, working 2½ days a week for HCC.

**Rebekah Bennett** served as Operations Manager until 31<sup>st</sup> August, working 32 hours a week. She headed up the operational aspects of Church life, line managing staff teams and managing our centre, 83a.

**Richard Schwier** worked 32.5 hrs a week, leading HCC youth work and being seconded to the Thrive youth ministry for 10 hours of this time per week.

**Helen Cobby** was employed as Family and Children's Worker for 20 hrs a week. She continued to encourage and galvanise the families in the church, provide material and lead children's and families sessions on Sundays and at Forest Church.

**Naomi Jeffery** joined on 1<sup>st</sup> May to work 8 hrs per week in the office as an administrator.

**Trevor Payne** rejoined the staff team on 1<sup>st</sup> November as Finance Manager, working 8 hrs per week.

**Justyna Kaczmarek** worked 3 hrs a week as a Toddler Group Assistant and 5 hrs a week as a cleaner.

**Dan Flint** worked 5 hrs a week as an assistant in Rainbow Toddlers but finished his contract with us in the summer term of 2023.

## **Volunteers**

Jean Casling continued in the role of Associate Pastor with pastoral and other responsibilities across the church.

Mark Knight continued meeting with the Leadership team in the role of 'advisor'.

Many other members of the church served in a voluntary capacity at events and activities throughout the year.

## **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Unrestricted income for the year was £142,962 and unrestricted expenditure was £152,562. The Trustees have reviewed the reports and concerns and consider the charity is a going concern.

We retain significant funds in reserve (the Support Reserves fund) to cover salaries and other committed contract costs for a period of three months. Giving by church members was broadly stable across the year.

The funds of the charity include restricted and designated funds for the following purposes:

**Designated funds:** Building Renovation, Support Reserves, Donations, Fixed Asset Funds

**Restricted funds:** Toddler Group, Special Needs, Community Needs, Building, Audrey Royston Funds

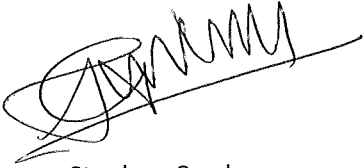
## **RELATED PARTIES**

During the year one trustee, Timothy Anderson, was engaged in remunerated activity and received £22,945 as ministry salary during the year.

Huntingdonshire Community Church is a member of the Evangelical Alliance (Registered Charity Number 212325) and seeks, when and where it can, to support the EA's aims by prayer, financial giving and attendance at events.

The Church is also a member of the network of churches comprising Plumblin Ministries International (Registered Charity No 327271). We support Plumblin both financially and by participating in Plumblin events and working towards Plumblin's objectives of planting and developing new churches across the country.

This report and the financial statements were approved by the trustees on ~~16~~/17/24 and signed on their behalf by:

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Stephen Cawley  
Chairman

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'T. Anderson', written over a horizontal line.

Timothy Anderson  
Trustee

## **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Huntingdonshire Community Church for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above Charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023.

### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act, and, in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Act).

### **Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which give me cause to believe that, in any material respect, the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act, or the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

I have no concerns, and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

*Carole Cowgill* 3/5/2024

### **Mrs Carole Cowgill ACA**

4 Penny Meadow, Capel St Mary, Ipswich, Suffolk, IP9 2UU



## HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH

### RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023

		<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>Restricted Funds</b>	<b>Designated Funds</b>	<b>Total Funds 2023</b>	<b>Total Funds 2022</b>
	<b>Notes</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Receipts</b>						
Donations and legacies	1	91,528	548	0	<b>92,076</b>	144,240
Income from Charitable Activities	2	41,460			<b>41,460</b>	48,503
Investment Income		823			<b>823</b>	84
Other income and Grants Received	3	9,151	45		<b>9,196</b>	12,960
<b>Total Receipts</b>		<b>142,962</b>	<b>593</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>143,555</b>	<b>205,787</b>
<b>Payments</b>						
Worship and service - Staff costs	4	101,142			<b>101,142</b>	109,995
Worship and service - Other costs	5	30,724	744		<b>31,468</b>	19,068
Mission services	6	12,215	0	2,225	<b>14,440</b>	26,678
Outreach		876	600		<b>1,476</b>	53,447
Building maintenance and improvements	7	3,375	0		<b>3,375</b>	4,331
Governance costs	8	4,230			<b>4,230</b>	2,045
<b>Total Payments</b>		<b>152,562</b>	<b>1,344</b>	<b>2,225</b>	<b>156,131</b>	<b>215,564</b>
<b>Net of Receipts/ (Payments)</b>		<b>(9,600)</b>	<b>(751)</b>	<b>(2,225)</b>	<b>(12,576)</b>	<b>(9,777)</b>
<b>Cash Funds b/f 1st January 2023</b>		<b>118,890</b>	<b>2,866</b>	<b>46,803</b>	<b>168,559</b>	<b>178,336</b>
<b>Transfers between funds</b>		<b>(12,001)</b>	<b>9,985</b>	<b>2,016</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Cash Funds c/f 31st December 2023</b>	9	<b>97,289</b>	<b>12,100</b>	<b>46,594</b>	<b>155,983</b>	<b>168,559</b>

# HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Designated Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>1. Donations and legacies received</b>					
Fund receipts - Toddlers		548		548	401
Offerings	74,753			74,753	73,825
Gifts supporting outreach				0	56,597
Gift aid	16,775			16,775	13,417
less tfrs to Donations fund to Special needs fund					
	<b>91,528</b>	<b>548</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>92,076</b>	<b>144,240</b>
<b>2. Income from charitable activities</b>					
Centre lettings	41,460			41,460	48,319
Reimbursements				0	184
	<b>41,460</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>41,460</b>	<b>48,503</b>
<b>3. Other income and Grants received</b>					
Insurance loss of income claim				0	4,786
Miscellaneous receipts	955	45		1,000	410
Cross charge for youth worker (from Parish of Huntingdon)	8,196			8,196	7,764
	<b>9,151</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9,196</b>	<b>12,960</b>
<b>4. Worship and service - staff costs</b>					
Wages	94,872			94,872	103,286
Pensions	4,389			4,389	5,793
Staff socials	614			614	481
Conferences	1,267			1,267	235
Personal development/training				0	200
	<b>101,142</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>101,142</b>	<b>109,995</b>

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	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Designated Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>8. Governance costs</b>					
Accountancy fees	3486			3,486	1,470
Independent exam fees	600			600	575
Consultancy expenses	144			144	0
	<b>4,230</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,230</b>	<b>2,045</b>

## HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH

### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (continued)

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023

#### 9. Funds Movements

	Cash Funds at 01/01/2023	Fund movements 2023	Cash Funds at 31/12/2023
	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted Income Funds</b>			
<b>General Fund</b>	<u>118,890</u>	<u>(21,601)</u>	<u>97,289</u>
<b>Designated Funds</b>			
Building renovation fund	23,907		23,907
Donations fund	896	(209)	687
Support reserves	<u>22,000</u>		<u>22,000</u>
	<u>46,803</u>	<u>(209)</u>	<u>46,594</u>
<b>Total Unrestricted Funds</b>	<u>165,693</u>	<u>(21,810)</u>	<u>143,883</u>
<b>Restricted Income Funds</b>			
Audrey Royston fund		8,869	8,869
Special needs fund	202	(60)	142
Community needs fund	1,571	25	1,596
Toddler group fund	124	400	524
Building fund	<u>969</u>		<u>969</u>
	<u>2,866</u>	<u>9,234</u>	<u>12,100</u>
<b>Total Bank and Cash Funds</b>	<u>168,559</u>	<u>(12,576)</u>	<u>155,983</u>

# HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH

## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

### AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2023

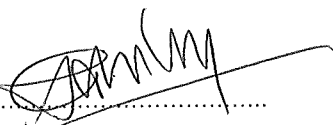
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
<b>Cash funds</b>					
HSBC current account				71,355	81,803
Barclays savings account				84,493	86,461
Office petty cash				135	295
<b>Total Monetary Assets</b>				<b>155,983</b>	<b>168,559</b>
<b>Other Monetary Assets</b>					
Due from users of property	5,927			5,927	5,203
Gift aid recoverable	2,324			2,324	2,897
	<u>8,251</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>8,251</u>	<u>8,100</u>

	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost £	Net Book Value 2023 £
<b>Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>			
Sofas	Unrestricted	1,168	0
Photocopier/Printer	Unrestricted	3,720	0
Freehold Land	Fixed asset	60,000	60,000
	<b>Depreciation</b>		
Freehold Building and Improvements	2% of cost	176,851	162,703
Replacement of Upper Flat Roof	5% of cost	16,400	9,840
Forecourt refurbishment (2020)	5% of cost	15,120	12,348
Lower flat roof replacement (2020)	5% of cost	2,100	1,706
		<u>210,471</u>	<u>186,597</u>
<b>Total fixed assets</b>		<b>275,359</b>	<b>246,597</b>

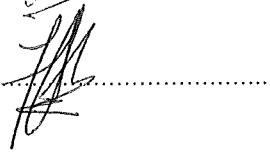
**Liabilities**

2023 invoices paid in 2024  
Tithe due to Plumblin  
Independent examiner's fee  
Staff PAYE, NI and Pension  
Venue hire

	Amount due	When due
	£	
Unrestricted	2,528	Jan-24
Unrestricted	1,316	Jan-24
Unrestricted	600	Jan-24
Unrestricted	1,282	Jan-24
Unrestricted	<u>1,050</u>	Jan-24
	<u>6,776</u>	

Signed: 

Date: 21/07/2024

Signed: 

Date: 16/07/2024

**HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 803355

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# Accounts

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Registered Charity No. 803355



**Registered Charity  
No 803355**

## **TRUSTEES' REPORT**

**for the year ended  
31<sup>st</sup> December 2022**

Registered Charity No. 803355

**83a High Street, Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire, PE29 3DP**

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**Huntingdonshire Community Church**

**Annual Trustees' Report for the year  
ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022**

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**Huntingdonshire Community Church**

**LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

Charity number	803355
Trustees	Jonathan Gray Stephen Cawley Timothy Anderson
Core Leadership team	Timothy Anderson Rebekah Bennett Richard Schweir Helen Cobby Jean Casling Mark Knight
Principal address and registered office	83a High Street Huntingdon Cambridgeshire PE29 3DP
Independent Examiner	Carole Cowgill ACA 4 Penny Meadow Ipswich Suffolk IP9 2UU
Bankers	Barclays Bank Market Hill Huntingdon Cambs PE29 3AE  HSBC St Andrews Street Cambridge CB2 3BZ

## **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

### **Introduction**

The trustees present their report and financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2022. The accounts have been prepared under the Receipts and Payments method, which summarises bank and cash transactions during the year.

### **Trustees' Responsibilities**

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the situation of the charity and of its financial activities for that year. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to:

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

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud or other irregularities.

### **Organisation and Status**

Huntingdon Community Church (HCC) operates under a Deed of Trust and was registered as a charity on 1<sup>st</sup> June 1990 with the charity registration number 803355. Its main purpose is the advancement of the Christian faith.

During the year, the Trustees were: Jonathan Gray, Stephen Cawley and Timothy Anderson.

Additional trustees are recommended by the church eldership to be approved by the current trustees.

The responsibility for managing the Trust on a day-to-day basis is delegated by the Trustees to the Core Leadership Team, one of whom, the church's Senior Leader, is also a Trustee.

During the year, the Core Leadership Team consisted of Timothy Anderson, Rebekah Bennett, Richard Schwier, Helen Cobby & Jean Casling. Mark Knight Joined the core leadership team at the end of 2022.

## Public benefit

The charity trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit in section 4 of the 2011 Charities Act, and the supplementary guidance on the advancement of religion for the public benefit, published by the Charity Commission, in exercising their powers and duties.

## REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

In 2022, HCC's leadership worked to fulfil its charitable aims and objectives as laid out in the Charity's trust deed. These are:

- to advance the Christian faith
- to provide relief for those facing hardship, distress or sickness
- to advance education on the basis of Christian principles

The Core Leadership Team annually reviews HCC's objectives. In 2022, priorities were set to: regather, refocus and strengthen the church coming out of lockdown, reestablishing teams and rhythms of practise, assessing and responding to the churches strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats and continuing to maintain a consistent Sunday presence back in person and continue a responsive stance towards meeting needs within the wider community.

The Board of Trustees met formally 3 times over the year ( over Zoom) with further business being conducted via informal means of communication.

HCC delivers its charitable objectives through:

- Sunday gatherings, mid-week small groups and pastoral care open to all
- Supporting and equipping its members and others who connect with us in reaching their full potential in life based on Christian values, through one-to-one support, teaching, training and courses
- Outreach events and activities that advance the faith and enrich the wider community and family life in Huntingdonshire
- Use of '83a' – the Church Centre
- Working together with other organisations

Our Vision as a church is: 'to enable people and communities in Huntingdonshire to thrive, through putting the power of God's love into action'.

The report that follows summarises the activities of the Trust over the past year.

Many of our members either work or serve as volunteers in public office, voluntary organisations, education, or medical professions.

**1. Sunday Gatherings, Small Groups and Pastoral Care Open to All** The church provides the opportunity for members of all ages to meet together corporately on a weekly basis for worship, teaching, inspiration and fellowship. We also believe that mid-week small groups are excellent settings for us to grow and interact in a more personal and intimate environment. We offer 'first

line' pastoral care to church members, referring more complex cases to the appropriate authorities.

### **Sunday Services 2022**

- Sundays continued to be the way we gathered for teaching, fellowship and worship as a church. Exploring different emphasis on differing weeks. We gathered both in streams across adult, youth and children but also in collective all-age ways too.
- We held by monthly All-Age Café Church Sundays at Thongsley Primary School with a focus on Encounters with Jesus in the first part of 2022. On the alternative months Forest Church continued to be a pathway for fringe families to experience our church community and explore faith for the first time. By the autumn this had become our all-age focus with Forest Church happening on every first Sunday of the month.
- Once a month the whole Sunday morning service had a focus on coming together around Communion and worship. In our teaching over 2022 we explored a practical series on Better Decision Making, The 'Power of Series', a Summer series called 'Simply Jesus' at 83a and an autumn teaching series through the book of Hebrews.
- By the end of 2022, across different Sundays, we had approx. 80 adults and 30 youth and children gathering as part of the HCC community across different weeks.

### **Forest Church**

This has continued to mainly run on the first Sunday of the month (exceptions being August and January). We now meet in the Countryside Centre at Hinchingsbrooke Park, having moved to renting this venue because unpredictable and, especially in the winter months, cold weather made the group challenging!

The group started off being for our church families, although we have always invited those whom we have had contact with previously, either through Rainbow Toddlers or our Picnic in the Park project. Over the last 6 months we have seen a much increased take up from those on the fringes, seeing a number of present and past toddler contacts attending. Numbers attending do vary, and in the last 4 months our numbers have been between 50 – 70.

We follow the format for the families where there is a Bible story to read, and then 4 stations for children that have some questions, a reflection, and an activity that they can do. We also now have a toddler area where there are simpler activities that they can join in with - although the older children seem to enjoy them just as much!

### **Mid-week Small Groups**

These continued to be the main way we work out discipleship, support and provide a meaningful place to belong and grow. In 2022 our small groups mainly continued online, however in the autumn of 2022 The Prices began a new in person group along with another couple in the Church. This became a growing place of life, hatched out of one of the HCC 'Welcome Lunches' one Sunday.

### **Pastoral Care**

Pastoral care continued to be run by a team which included members of the leadership team.

This team met monthly to maintain oversight of pastoral issues across the church, provided one-to-one support, and signposted individuals to further help where appropriate. At the outset of the pandemic, each adult church member was 'allocated' to a staff team member for contact and support. The wellbeing of each person in the church was reviewed in the monthly pastoral meetings. Throughout 2022 we continued this practice. This has enabled us to look carefully at every individual coming across our path and ensuring that the right conversations had been held and the right support was provided.

### **Community Action Sundays**

Two Community Action Sundays were held over 2022, when the church exchanges songs for shovels and go out to make a difference into local situations outside of ourselves and within the HCC family. Projects included restoring picnic benches and flower borders at Cromwell School, a work party at our own building at 83a High Street, preparing a garden for a visually impaired family for redevelopment. We believe that relationships are deepened and tangible differences are made through these weekends.

## **2. Supporting and Equipping Members and Non-Members**

Throughout the year we worked to enable people to fulfil their potential based on Christian values through one-to-one support, Sunday teaching, training, and courses. In 2022 we ran the following training and resourcing opportunities:

- **Sunday Teaching and Small Group Application.** During the year our teaching topics varied. The topics have been reported on in the previous sections on Sunday services. Topics covered on Sundays were followed up by study and discussion in the small groups during the week.
- **Prayer.** Prayer continued to be an important part of our church rhythm with Sunday morning prayer re-introduced in person and on-line. The Staff and Leadership team In addition meet weekly to pray through our organisational values.
- **Welcome Lunch.** We held a 'Welcome' Lunch for new members and guests at 83a on 2 occasions throughout 2022 to welcome and introduce the church to newcomers after lockdown.

### **Childrens Work**

This is for those in school years 1 - 6 and runs during the service time on a Sunday morning. We aim to explore the Bible through reflections, story, craft, and activities, thinking about what it tells us happened then, and what it means for us now. In the last year we have looked at encounters with Jesus, the armour of God, the main characters from The Old to The New Testament leading up to Jesus' birth, the "I am" sayings of Jesus, and we are now looking at the life and lessons from Paul. We have also learnt a Bible verse to go along with each of the topics. The group can vary in size and ages each week which can mean adapting the programme as we go along, but where we can, we do try to split into older and younger groups for some reflection time each week. At the end of each session we try to have a prayerful response time. Last term

we also introduced a prayer week where we had prayer stations based on what we had been learning. The team now operates with Helen Cobby and 4 volunteers. We have 17 children at present that have attended in the last term, and normally average about 8 children on a normal week – although we have had just 1 attend before one week and over 15 on another week. Two thirds of our group is boys.

### **Sunday Youth Work**

The aim of Sunday morning youth is to provide spiritual teaching and discipleship for our church young people.

Three times a month. They meet as a group on Sunday mornings. They have some amazing young people in our church, and if they all attend, there can have up to 13 young people in the group. Usually we have between 6 - 9 young people each week.

We have covered topics such as the parables of Jesus, friendship, spiritual disciplines, big questions, the book of Daniel and are currently working through a series called 'redeem the screen', looking at our relationship with social media and screen time.

Regular leaders, consistent attendance and creative teaching all help to make the sessions relevant and responsive to the young people. The wide age range of young people (11 - 17), does make this a challenge as we seek to meet the needs and interests of everyone in the group. Following lock-down we still notice a separation between the congregation in Sunday meetings and the young people due to the limited time we spend all together. This is an ongoing conversation in church leadership about how to build more connections between the young people and the wider church.

### **Wider Youth Work**

The aims of Friday Night youth is to provide a social place where our church young people can get to know each other and invite friends.

Friday night youth offers a varied programme each month as we offer a rolling weekly programme of younger youth (school years 7&8), older youth (school years 9+), exploring faith night and socials. This aims to meet the variety of needs and ages within the group using the volunteers that we have.

There has been good attendance this year, and often on our combined youth nights we can have between 20 – 25 young people. A typical Friday night has the usual mix of games, food/snacks, sports - including hockey and dodge ball, and general hang out time. The socials this year have included, bowling, chip shop challenge, ice skating, camp out, bonfire night, movie night, pizza night and quiz/challenge nights. At the monthly exploring faith night, we have been looking at life issues through activities, challenges and questions

### **3. Outreach Events that Demonstrate the Faith and Enrich the Wider Community and Family Life in Huntingdonshire and Beyond**

Throughout 2022 we actively sought to engage and serve the community within Huntingdonshire. We undertook this in the following ways:

#### **Toddler Group**

This year has seen a lot of staff changes for Rainbow Toddlers. Anya Anderson moved on from her post in September 2022, and Helen Cobby took on the role of heading up toddlers.

On a typical Tuesday morning we have 2 groups that run. The first group runs from 9:30am-10:30am, and the second group is from 10:45-11:45am. This was a format that was adopted during the reopening after covid but has been kept as it leads to a more manageable, less noisy session. However, as the second session is normally a lot quieter than the first, whether we should go back to one larger group will be reviewed at the end of the summer term.

Both groups follow the same format of coming into the hall where there will be toys set up, a baby area, a reading area, a craft, and a tuff tray on our theme for the week. We have also introduced a colouring table that has a picture connected with our theme as well as a prayer. For the final 15 minutes we move to room 2 where the adults enjoy a drink, and the toddlers a biscuit and a story and we do some singing.

#### **Schools Work**

The aim of our schools work is to offer support and advice to young people in local secondary schools.

As part of our Youth Workers role, HCC releases him to volunteer and supplement my hours with Thrive. – a local Christian youth project that I also work for. In my Thrive role he is able to offer a school's programme to St. Peters school. HCC support this same programme so that we can offer support to students at Hinchingsbrooke school. Once a week Richard and Daniel Beckett from Godmanchester Baptist Church go into Hinchingsbrooke to run support groups with students in school years 7 - 9. The relationship with Hinchingsbrooke has really grown this year as the school value what we are offering, and the comments from the students and staff have greatly encouraged us in the programmes that we are offer.

Helen and Richard have been into both Cromwell Academy and Hartford Primary Schools over the last year taking assemblies. This was once a half term for both, and still is for Cromwell, however due to a change in timings it is now not possible to continue at Hartford. The assemblies are often tied to one of the school's values and involve an interactive element, a reflection from a moral standpoint, as well as tying in a reflection on faith. It doesn't take long before the children know our names and feel like they are getting to know us.

#### **Creative English**

Our Creative English programme relaunched in January 2022 after lockdown. Creative English gives confidence in conversational English through role play and drama to people for whom English is not their first language, helping to reduce isolation and improve well-being for refugees. Led by Karen Cawley, the Creative English team have been regularly teaching and growing connections

with nine course members from the local area representing backgrounds from Sudan Afghanistan, Ukraine and Guinea Bissau.

### **The Thursday Meeting Place**

Social gatherings in 2022 continued to be tentative for some and so the Thursday Meeting Place became a safe space at 83a on a Thursday afternoon over tea, cake and board games with Jean and Reg Casling and various staff members for warm and welcoming conversation in helping us as a church reconnect.

### **Wetherspoons Lunches**

Once a month, after the Sunday service, we held lunches in the nearby Wetherspoons restaurant. This would have provided a cost-effective way for newcomers or people who are on their own to meet in a social setting after church, deepen their connections and find out more about the church. Due to Covid, only one such lunch was held.

### **Summer Suppers**

Over the summer months of July, August, and September once a month we held evening suppers on a Thursday evening at 83a after work. These were hugely successful. One evening was a Ukrainian supper cooked by a Ukrainian family and their friends as a thank you for all the support the church had given her, her family, and her friends in settling into the UK. These evenings attracted up to forty people including work colleagues and those newer to the HCC family.

### **Warm Spaces:**

From November we opened up 83a, Room 2 as a Warm Space for members of the project. A group of volunteers each week offered tea, coffee, games and warm and welcoming space. HCC volunteers were joined over several weeks with volunteers from the Cooperative Funeral Group. Pick up was not huge but we were able to be here for a number of individuals that returned on more than one occasion. This was held in co-ordination with other churches and organisations within Huntingdon.

### **Picnic in the Park:**

There were over 5 sessions through the summer holiday. HCC sponsored these and they were held at Hinchbrooke Park. This was a lunchtime project providing Healthy Picnic Lunches once a week for all the family. Activities were held for all aged children, including arts, crafts and sports. 90 families accessed the project over the 5 weeks, 113 Adults, 199 Children. Working in partnerships, Healthy You completed 5 Adult MOT's when they came to the first session on the 26<sup>th</sup> July. Healthwatch - 9 adults shared their experiences when they attended on the 23<sup>rd</sup> August. There was a Covid 19 vaccine clinic offered 23<sup>rd</sup> August. There was a Recycling Education promotion on 9<sup>th</sup> August providing activities including making bird feeders and a bean bag game. On the last week HCC additionally funded 49 children to experience the Bouncy Castle Experience that had been running in parallel at the park over the week, but unaffordable for many of the families attending Picnic in the Park. 71% of adults surveyed said the project had improved their mental health, 94% said it had made them less isolated, 100% it had created a

safe environment to come to. 94% also said it had helped them financially and had benefitted them coming as a family. We thank Ania Anderson and all the HCC volunteers for organising this

#### **Ukrainian Crisis Response:**

HCC became the main conduit and contributor for a response team to deliver aid and a mini-bus into Poland for supporting those fleeing the invasion on Ukraine. 83a held a collection for aid items to go to the frontlines as well as giving administrative support to raising funds for helping house feeling foster families settle into Poland through the work of the ESPA foundation. Tim and Ania led a team of former members of HCC in a ten-day aid trip in March 2022 into Poland. A total collection of £54k came together for the purchase of a mini-bus and aid that was taken and given in support. On Easter Sunday we also welcomed a Refugee family into the UK and were able to help support their settlement into the UK.

#### **4. The 83a Centre**

Our church building, '83a', occupies an easily-accessible high street location. Using space that is not required for church activities, it enables us to provide, at affordable prices, other organisations to operate locally in serving townspeople.

The following organisations were hosted on a regular basis in our building throughout of 2022, significantly furthering the public benefit derived from the building:

- Huntingdon Area Money Advice (given free office space within the building)
- Huntingdon Psychological Wellbeing Service
- Choices Counselling
- Cambridge Deaf Organisation
- Road Victims Trust
- Cambridge Group Therapy
- Adrian Jackson Counselling
- Sefanit Inquai Counselling
- Sue McRitchie Counselling
- Toni Hassler Counselling
- Narcotics Anonymous
- Centre 33
- Seetec

We have seen a slight decrease in larger organisations wanting to use our spaces however we have seen a significant increase in independent counsellors seeking out counselling rooms spaces throughout 2022.

#### **LEADERSHIP AND STAFF**

The Core Leadership Team, who have responsibility for the day-to-day running of the church, meet monthly to plan the spiritual direction and activity of the church. During October, the team retreated within Huntingdon for 24 hours, to undertake a SWOT analysis of HCC and consider the priorities for the coming year. Through the year, effort was put in to further define and embed our mission, vision and values.

### **Paid Staff**

The Core Leadership team was led by **Tim Anderson**, who worked 2½ days a week for HCC.

**Rebekah Bennett** was employed by HCC from July 2021 and came on board as the Operations Manager. Rebekah became part of our Core leadership team and part of our Executive staff team. Rebekah was employed for 32 hours a week heading up all operations aspects of the Church, line managing staff teams and managing our centre 83a.

**Ania Anderson** Resigned from her role as a family and children's worker in on 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022

**Richard Schwier** worked 32.5 hrs a week, leading youth work and also helping in the wider strategic direction of the church, including joining core leadership meetings. He continued to be seconded to the Thrive youth ministry for 10 hours of this time per week.

**Helen Cobby** Increased her hours as a Family Worker in September and was employed for 20 hrs a week. She has worked to encourage and galvanise the families in the church, provide material and lead children's and families sessions on Sundays and at Explore and Forest Church

**Dan Flint** worked 5 hrs a week throughout the year as Toddler Group Project Worker

**Justyna Kaczmarek** worked 3 hrs a week as a Toddler Group Assistant throughout the year, and 5hrs a week as a cleaner in the last 3 months of the year.

### **Volunteers**

Jean Casling continued in the role of Associate Pastor with pastoral and other responsibilities across the church.

Mark Knight Joined the Leadership team in the role of 'advisor in January 2022

Many other members of the church served in a voluntary capacity at events and activities throughout the year.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Unrestricted income for the year was £204,761 and unrestricted expenditure was £212,477. The Trustees have reviewed the reports and concerns and consider the charity is a going concern.

We retain funds in reserve (the Support Reserves fund) to cover salaries and other committed contract costs for a period of three months. Giving by church members was broadly stable across the year.

The funds of the charity include restricted and designated funds for the following purposes:

**Designated funds:** Building Renovation; Support Reserves; Donations; Fixed Asset

**Restricted funds:** PA; Toddler Group; Special Needs; Community Needs; Building

## RELATED PARTIES

During the year one trustee, Timothy Anderson, was engaged in remunerated activity and received £21,630 as ministry salary during the year. His wife, Ania Anderson, not a trustee, was also employed by the church and received a salary of £7,508.70

Huntingdonshire Community Church is a member of the Evangelical Alliance (Registered Charity Number 212325) and seeks when and where it can to support the EA's aims by prayer, financial giving and attendance at events.

The Church is also a member of the network of churches comprising Plumblin Ministries International (Registered Charity Number 327271). We support Plumblin both financially and by participating in Plumblin events and working towards Plumblin's objectives of planting and developing new churches across the country.

This report and the financial statements were approved by the trustees on 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2023 and signed on their behalf by:



Jonathan Gray  
Trustee



Timothy Anderson  
Trustee

Registered Charity No. 803355

**HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH**

**REPORT AND ACCOUNTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED**

**31ST DECEMBER 2022**

Registered Charity Number – 803355

Address:  
83a High Street  
Huntingdon  
Cambridgeshire  
PE29 3DP

**HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH****RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
<b>Receipts</b>						
Donations and legacies	1	143,214	766	260	144,240	97,937
Income from Charitable Activities	2	48,503			48,503	25,068
Investment Income		84			84	8
Other income and Grants Received	3	12,960	0		12,960	49,259
<b>Total Receipts</b>		<b>204,761</b>	<b>766</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>205,787</b>	<b>172,272</b>
<b>Payments</b>						
Worship and service - Staff costs	4	109,995			109,995	82,591
Worship and service - Other costs	5	17,816	1,252		19,068	11,328
Mission services	6	24,843	0	1,835	26,678	29,448
Outreach		53,447			53,447	2,127
Building maintenance and improvements	7	4,331	0		4,331	2,154
Governance costs	8	2,045			2,045	1,570
<b>Total Payments</b>		<b>212,477</b>	<b>1,252</b>	<b>1,835</b>	<b>215,564</b>	<b>129,218</b>
<b>Net of Receipts/ (Payments)</b>		<b>(7,716)</b>	<b>(486)</b>	<b>(1,575)</b>	<b>(9,777)</b>	<b>43,054</b>
<b>Cash Funds b/f 1st January 2022</b>		<b>126,606</b>	<b>3,352</b>	<b>48,378</b>	<b>178,336</b>	<b>135,282</b>
<b>Cash Funds c/f 31st December 2022</b>	9	<b>118,890</b>	<b>2,866</b>	<b>46,803</b>	<b>168,559</b>	<b>178,336</b>

**HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH****NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Designated Funds	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>1. Donations and legacies received</b>					
Fund receipts - Toddlers		401		401	257
Offerings	73,825			73,825	84,247
Gifts supporting outreach	56,387	210		56,597	
Gift aid	13,417			13,417	13,433
less tfrs to Donations fund to Special needs fund	(260) (155)		260		
	<b>143,214</b>	<b>766</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>144,240</b>	<b>97,937</b>
<b>2. Income from charitable activities</b>					
Centre lettings	48,319			48,319	24,963
Reimbursements	184			184	105
	<b>48,503</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>48,503</b>	<b>25,068</b>
<b>3. Other income and Grants received</b>					
Donation recd from Freemens Charity				0	1,241
Audrey Royston legacy				0	10,000
Insurance loss of income claim	4,786			4,786	25,000
Miscellaneous receipts	410			410	6,816
Cross charge for youth worker	7,764			7,764	6,202
	<b>12,960</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12,960</b>	<b>49,259</b>
<b>4. Worship and service - staff costs</b>					
Wages	103,286			103,286	81,527
less Covid 19 Job Retention Scheme Grants				0	(2,475)
Pensions	5,793			5,793	2,138
Staff socials	481			481	468
Conferences	235			235	0
Personal development/training	200			200	933
	<b>109,995</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>109,995</b>	<b>82,591</b>

**HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH****NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Designated Funds	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>5. Worship and service - other costs</b>					
Bank charges	79			79	6
Books/media	307			307	107
Children and Youth expenses	1,092			1,092	580
Craft materials				0	143
Internet/communication	1,372			1,372	1,425
Insurance	968			968	968
IT software/consumables	177			177	974
Miscellaneous gifts/expenses	1,864	735		2,599	145
Stationery	202			202	191
PA items	75			75	0
Printing and postage	631			631	120
Refreshments	546			546	293
Subs/licences	2,310			2,310	2,914
Toddler group materials	97	517		614	538
Travel	672			672	122
Utilities	2,369			2,369	1,503
Venue hire	4,805			4,805	1,164
Gifts to visiting preachers	250			250	135
	<b>17,816</b>	<b>1,252</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>19,068</b>	<b>11,328</b>
<b>6. Mission services</b>					
Donations	3,475		1835	5,310	13,443
less Tfrs to Donations fund				0	0
to Special needs fund				0	0
to Community needs fund				0	0
to Toddler group fund				0	0
Tithe to Plumblin	21,368			21,368	16,005
	<b>24,843</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,835</b>	<b>26,678</b>	<b>29,448</b>
<b>7 Building maintenance and improvements</b>					
Building maintenance	2,556			2,556	2,154
Building improvements					
- forecourt refurbishment				0	0
- flat roof repair				0	0
Furniture replacement	1,775			1,775	0
	<b>4,331</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,331</b>	<b>2,154</b>
<b>8. Governance costs</b>					
Accountancy fees	1470			1,470	0
Independent exam fees	575			575	550
Consultancy expenses				0	0
Legal fees				0	1,020

**HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH**

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022**

Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Designated Funds	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
£	£	£	£	£
2,045	0	0	2,045	1,570

**HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH****NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (continued)****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022**

9. Funds Movements	Cash Funds at 01/01/2022	Fund movements 2022	Cash Funds at 31/12/2022
	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted Income Funds</b>			
<b>General Fund</b>	<u>126,606</u>	<u>(7,716)</u>	<u>118,890</u>
<b>Designated Funds</b>			
Building renovation fund	23,907		23,907
Donations fund	2,471	(1,575)	896
Support reserves	22,000		22,000
	<u>48,378</u>	<u>(1,575)</u>	<u>46,803</u>
<b>Total Unrestricted Funds</b>	<u>174,984</u>	<u>(9,291)</u>	<u>165,693</u>
<b>Restricted Income Funds</b>			
Special needs fund	572	(370)	202
Community needs fund	1,571		1,571
Toddler group fund	240	(116)	124
Building fund	969		969
	<u>3,352</u>	<u>(486)</u>	<u>2,866</u>
<b>Total Bank and Cash Funds</b>	<u>178,336</u>	<u>(9,777)</u>	<u>168,559</u>

**HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH****STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES****AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2022**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
<b>Cash funds</b>					
HSBC current account				81,803	91,639
Barclays savings account				86,461	86,377
Office petty cash				295	320
<b>Total Monetary Assets</b>				<b>168,559</b>	<b>178,336</b>
<b>Other Monetary Assets</b>					
Due from users of property	5,203			5,203	5,360
Gift aid recoverable	2,897			2,897	4,709
	<b>8,100</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8,100</b>	<b>10,069</b>

	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost £	Net Book Value 2022 £
<b>Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>			
Sofas	Unrestricted	1,168	0
Photocopier/Printer	Unrestricted	3,720	0
Freehold Land	Fixed asset	60,000	60,000
Freehold Building and Improvements	Fixed asset	176,851	166,240
Replacement of Upper Flat Roof	Fixed asset	16,400	10,660
Forecourt refurbishment (2020)	Fixed asset	15,120	13,104
Lower flat roof replacement (2020)	Fixed asset	2,100	1,811
		<b>210,471</b>	<b>191,815</b>
<b>Total fixed assets</b>		<b>275,359</b>	<b>251,815</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		<b>Amount due £</b>	<b>When due</b>
2022 invoices paid in 2023	Unrestricted	1114	Jan-23
Tithe due to Plumblin	Unrestricted	992	Jan-23
Independent examiner's fee	Unrestricted	600	Jan-23
Staff PAYE, NI and Pension	Unrestricted	2,395	Jan-23
		<b>5,101</b>	

Signed:.....  
  
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Date: 23.10.2023.  
 Date: 23.10.2023.

## **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Huntingdonshire Community Church for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above Charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022.

### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act, and, in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

### **Independent examiner's statement**

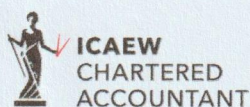
I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which give me cause to believe that, in any material respect, the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act, or the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

I have no concerns, and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

*CA Cowgill 22/9/2023*

### **Mrs Carole Cowgill ACA**

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**HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 803355

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# Accounts

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**Registered Charity  
No 803355**

## **TRUSTEES' REPORT**

**for the year ended  
31<sup>st</sup> December 2021**

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**Huntingdonshire Community Church**

**Annual Trustees' Report for the year  
ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021**

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**Huntingdonshire Community Church**

**LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

Charity number	803355
Trustees	Jonathan Gray Stephen Cawley Timothy Anderson
Core Leadership team	Timothy Anderson Rebekah Bennett Richard Schweir Helen Cobby Jean Casling
Principal address and registered office	83a High Street Huntingdon Cambridgeshire PE29 3DP
Independent Examiner	Carole Cowgill ACA 4 Penny Meadow Ipswich Suffolk IP9 2UU
Bankers	Barclays Bank Market Hill Huntingdon Cams PE29 3AE  HSBC Market Hill St Ives Cams PE27 5AP

## **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

### **Introduction**

The trustees present their report and financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021. The accounts have been prepared under the Receipts and Payments method, which summarises bank and cash transactions during the year.

### **Trustees' Responsibilities**

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the situation of the charity and of its financial activities for that year. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to:

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

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud or other irregularities.

### **Organisation and Status**

Huntingdon Community Church (HCC) operates under a Deed of Trust and was registered as a charity on 1<sup>st</sup> June 1990 with the charity registration number 803355. Its main purpose is the advancement of the Christian faith.

During the year, the Trustees were: Jonathan Gray, Stephen Cawley and Timothy Anderson.

Additional trustees are recommended by the church eldership to be approved by the current trustees.

The responsibility for managing the Trust on a day-to-day basis is delegated by the Trustees to the Core Leadership Team, one of whom, the church's Senior Leader, is also a Trustee.

During the year, the Core Leadership Team consisted of Timothy Anderson, Rebekah Bennett, Richard Schwier, Helen Cobby & Jean Casling.

## **Public benefit**

The charity trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit in section 4 of the 2011 Charities Act, and the supplementary guidance on the advancement of religion for the public benefit, published by the Charity Commission, in exercising their powers and duties.

## **REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS**

In 2021, HCC's leadership worked to fulfil its charitable aims and objectives as laid out in the Charity's trust deed. These are:

- to advance the Christian faith
- to provide relief for those facing hardship, distress or sickness
- to advance education on the basis of Christian principles

The Core Leadership Team annually reviews HCC's objectives. In 2021, priorities were set to: provide pastoral support for the church members through the Covid pandemic; maintain a Sunday presence through online services; and adopt a responsive stance towards meeting needs within the wider community.

The Board of Trustees met formally 2 times over the year (both physically and over Zoom) with further business being conducted via informal means of communication.

HCC delivers its charitable objectives through:

- Sunday gatherings, mid-week small groups and pastoral care open to all
- Supporting and equipping its members and others who connect with us in reaching their full potential in life based on Christian values, through one-to-one support, teaching, training and courses
- Outreach events and activities that advance the faith and enrich the wider community and family life in Huntingdonshire
- Use of '83a' – the Church Centre
- Working together with other organisations

Our Vision as a church is: 'to enable people and communities in Huntingdonshire to thrive, through putting the power of God's love into action'.

The report that follows summarises the activities of the Trust over the past year. Many of these activities have happened on the back of the COVID-19 pandemic and have been impacted by the virus. 2021 has predominately been spent relaunching & restarting many of our activities that happened pre COVID-19. Not all activities relaunched in 2021.

Many of our members either work or serve as volunteers in public office, voluntary organisations, education, or medical professions.

**1. Sunday Gatherings, Small Groups and Pastoral Care Open to All** The church provides the opportunity for members of all ages to meet together corporately on a weekly basis for worship,

teaching, inspiration and fellowship. We also believe that mid-week small groups are excellent settings for us to grow and interact in a more personal and intimate environment. We offer 'first line' pastoral care to church members, referring more complex cases to the appropriate authorities.

- **Sunday Services 2021** saw our weekly Sunday services move from exclusively online back to in person gatherings, continuing to be the main 'shop window' for the public to access the church.

Youth and Children's programmes continued to run on-line on zoom for the first six months of the year, giving support and spiritual encouragement through challenging times.

Adapting to the challenges and opportunities presented by Covid we developed the following approach to our Sunday format:

**January to Easter 2021:**

Online Church - pre-recorded video was streamed through the Church Online portal covering teaching series and church news and prayers based on the following series:

- 'Build Up' series providing content designed to build up faith, with guest speakers Tim and Sue Eldridge on identity and friendship, Suzy Stride on finding purpose.
- Women of the Old Testament. A series looking at inspirational biblical characters including Sarah, Rebecca, Rachel and Leah, Abigail.
- The term finished with a build up to Easter looking at the meaning of Jesus death and an on-line Good Friday Service and Easter service.

**Spring/Summer 2021:**

Post the second lockdown in Easter we began to explore creative ways of regathering in safe and legal ways that led to a number of new initiatives:

**Forest Church** – we returned to a monthly outdoor service, initially experimented with in the first lockdown, where in groups of 6, for families, children and adults who could engage with interactive prayer and bible stations in an innovative format located at Hinchingsbrooke Park. This became powerful for our families. This became a once-a-month event.

**Filling Stations** – a monthly hours service at the church centre, 83a offering a reflective and renewing space with recorded music, communion, meditation and prayer. These grew in attendance and value for people.

**Sunday Service Watch Parties** – Still streaming recorded services on-line we opened up 83a for people to come down to watch the services in person on the big screen, beginning to introduce a regathering of the church. Attendance slowly grew in number and appreciation over time, particularly for those who had been isolating on their own. Over the Spring and summer, we took two mini-series. Firstly, looking at How Jesus Transforms our lives, looking at issues of anxiety and relationships. Secondly a miniseries from the book of Acts and the early church, allowing it to shape and inform how we think about coming out of lock down as a church and what it means to be 'Church'. This formed our thinking about the importance of our values around being Jesus centred, relationally connected, community focused and life transforming.

The Summer Sundays allowed us to innovate further with returning to in-person live meetings at 83a with two shorter services back-to-back. The first with an adult focus, socially distanced and the second, a family service based around family 'bubbles' at tables led by our Children's and Youth work team. We based the summer series in the Fruit of Spirit, looking at character and

competencies coming out of lockdown. New people began to join us during the summer who had been watching us online.

**Church in the Garden.** In September, continuing to regather in safe ways, we ran a series of outdoor services in Broughton in the garden of some members of our congregation where we were able to sing again, have a short interactive talks and testimonies together.

#### **Autumn 2021.**

With restrictions lifting from October, we returned to a varied Sunday programme including: 1) meeting again at the Cromwell Academy in Hinchingsbrooke for hour length services in adult, youth and children tracks maintaining social distancing. 2) Providing more space and a different location, we launched Café Church at Thongsley Primary School. Over this term we took a teaching series based in the book of Nehemiah. This new rhythm of Sundays helped support us coming back along new lines that valued relationships, conversations, interactive learning and spiritual experience, that can be open and accessible also to guests wanting to explore faith.

**Week 1 – Forest Church**

**Week 2 – Cromwell Academy**

**Week 3 – Café Church – at Thongsley School**

**Week 4 - Cromwell Academy**

The term concluded with a family focused guest Christmas Café Sunday on 12<sup>th</sup> December which was well attended by guests and members and involved crafts and drama telling the account of the birth of Jesus. This was followed by a guest Carol service the following weekend back at Thongsley Primary School on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2021.

- **Attendance** Whether physical or online, Sunday services continued to be a key way we supported our members in the development of their faith, and help them to live out their Christian values in their daily lives to the broader enrichment of the community. Attendance online had begun to drop to around 25-30 screens by the end of the second lockdown. With people still cautious and some still shielding it took time over the second half of the year for numbers to return to in person gatherings. The total number of adults regularly attending or connected with HCC at the end of the year was around 70 adults and around 30 youth and children.
- **Mid-week Small Groups.** Lockdown demonstrated the importance of our mid-week small groups as a place of encouragement, support, learning and out work of Christian faith in a supportive and caring environment. Realising the support this gave we had a focus to see 75% of church becoming part of a small group or connecting into something small as way of support and connection. Over lockdown we continued three evening on-line based groups and a Friday morning central Huntingdon-based ladies' group. Additionally, to this we had a number of informal bible study and 'connect groups', linking people together for support over lockdown.
- **Pastoral Care** Pastoral care continued to be run by a team which included members of the leadership team and 2 members of the church . This team met monthly to maintain oversight of pastoral issues across the church, provided one-to-one support, and signposted individuals to further help where appropriate. At the outset of the pandemic, each adult church member was 'allocated' to a staff team member for contact and support. The wellbeing of each person in the church was reviewed in the monthly pastoral meetings.

- **Communications** The church recognised that particularly during lockdowns, good communications were key to reducing isolation, keeping people connected, and identifying any pastoral issues that needed support. A regular weekly email was prepared, the website was kept updated, weekly video updates by church leaders were produced for much of the year, Facebook pages were populated and several WhatsApp groups were formed. This created a net of connection and inclusion.

## 2. Supporting and Equipping Members and Non-Members

Throughout the year we worked to enable people to fulfil their potential based on Christian values through one-to-one support, Sunday teaching, training, and courses. In 2021 we ran the following training and resourcing opportunities:

- **Sunday Teaching and Small Group Application.** During the year our teaching topics varied. The topics have been reported on in the previous sections on Sunday services. Topics covered on Sundays were followed up by study and discussion in the small groups during the week.
- **Prayer** Prayer continued to be an important part of our church rhythm moving on-line. This included a Sunday morning 9.15am Prayer zoom for 30mins praying for the church, town and nation through Covid. In addition, we held dedicated periods of prayer in Lent and two days of prayer in September where we joined with other churches in the Ignite Network. We ran a church-wide prayer WhatsApp group in which urgent needs could be prayed for and people supported through times of need, as well as a group for intercessors. The leadership team met for prayer each Thursday at midday. In all of these activities, prayer topics included both the work of the church, the wider community and the nation. Following the first lockdown, all prayer meetings went online.
- **Welcome Lunch.** We held a 'Welcome' Lunch for new members and guests at 83a on 26<sup>th</sup> September to welcome and introduce the church to newcomers after lockdown.
- **Childrens Work** HCC's family and children's workers continued to maintain contact and groups on-line and in person for families and children over lockdown and helping run Café Sundays and the varied programme making church accessible for young families. During the online services, children's items were included each week, predominantly on the family service weeks. Activity packs appropriate to the theme of the following Sunday were made up and delivered to homes in the week prior to the Sunday meeting. In person groups reopened in October with the return to Cromwell.
- **Sunday Youth Work** Youth maintained engagement through lockdown and returned to Sunday in person groups in October with the return to Cromwell.
- **Wider Youth Work** In September the popular Friday Night Youth evening recommenced attracting around 20 young people each evening. This was held 3 times a month and used the facilities at 83a.

Through other church partnerships and through his employment with Thrive, our youth worker also played an active role in engaging with young people in schools, including at assemblies, Christian Union groups, in groupwork and offering year 6 transition lessons to the primary schools and Youth Cafes across Huntingdon. Coming out of lockdown, Thrive's mentoring and lunchtime group work in St Peter's School continued. We saw a continuous demand for the service and where we saw an increase in the building of the trust established and the increased levels of need for supporting mental health and wellbeing for local young people coming out of lockdown.

### **3. Outreach Events that Demonstrate the Faith and Enrich the Wider Community and Family Life in Huntingdonshire and Beyond**

Though with much restriction, over 2021 we actively sought to engage and serve the community within Huntingdonshire. We undertook this in the following ways:

**Toddler Group** The Family Support and Outreach Worker continued to run the HCC Rainbow Toddler Group, which aims provide one-to-one support for families within and outside the church community and to develop programmes and events to enhance the well-being of families, parents and children in Huntingdon and the surrounding areas. The Group reopened in April 2021 with 2 x 45min sessions open to 8 families booking on-line per session. In May this increased to 10 families per session. In September it reopened for 2 x 1hr sessions with capacity for 12 families per sessions. We saw an increase in bookings, with bookings reaching full capacity over the year. We conducted a feedback report in 2021, our findings of this report showed that the majority of people attending the group were new and had started coming to the group post covid. There was strong feedback that stated most parents enjoyed bringing their children to the group for the social interaction between other children. The welcoming atmosphere and friendly environment were also highlighted in the report.

- **Youth Work** As mentioned above, we continued to employ a Youth Worker, who has helped considerably to drive forward our youth work, making events more active, engaging and meaningful to all present. The youth worker was seconded to the Huntingdon-wide 'Thrive' youth ministry for 10 hrs a week throughout the year. This helped him provide considerable input to that organisation including, prior to the lockdowns, the running of youth cafés at 3 locations in the town.
- **Creative English** This course was suspended in 2021 with a view to relaunching in 2022 due to COVID-19
- **The Thursday Meeting Place** – HCC launched this new event in November 2021. It was set up to provide people with a safe space to engage with Church but also to come and combat loneliness & boredom. Tea, coffee & cakes were provided as well a tabletop games for entertainment. The group continued to run on a weekly basis.
- **Wetherspoons Lunches** Once a month, after the Sunday service, we held lunches in the nearby Wetherspoons restaurant. This would have provided a cost-effective way for

newcomers or people who are on their own to meet in a social setting after church, deepen their connections and find out more about the church. Due to Covid, only one such lunch was held. These restarted in the autumn of 2021 providing people a space to connect, socialise and get to know each other.

- **Covid-Specific Community Activities** Activities run during the year as a result of the pandemic included the following:

In May 2021 as a response to the COVID19 Pandemic. HCC were able to raise £3,000 for ventilators in India. These funds went to support a local hospital where one of our Church members returned to work shortly before the COVID-19 pandemic.

- Picnic in the park was a new initiative set up by HCC in the summer of 2021. Throughout the school holiday HCC partnered with the Huntingdon Family Centre to provide a healthy & nutritious lunch for vulnerable families as well as different sporting activities, outdoor activities, and crafts. In August 2021. 100% of the attendees stated that they strongly felt that the project had a positive impact on their mental health.
- **Christmas Hampers** At Christmas, in cooperation with the local council we supplied hampers to families registered as being in need in the Hinchingsbrooke area of Huntingdon. The hampers contained routine food items, special Christmas items, and toys.

#### 4. The 83a Centre

Our church building, '83a', occupies an easily-accessible high street location. Using space that is not required for church activities, it enables us to provide, at affordable prices, other organisations to operate locally in serving townspeople.

The following organisations were hosted on a regular basis in our building throughout of 2021, significantly furthering the public benefit derived from the building:

Huntingdon Area Money Advice (given free office space within the building)  
Cambridgeshire, Peterborough and South Lincolnshire Mind  
Huntingdon Psychological Wellbeing Service  
East Anglia Diabetic Eye Screening Service  
Choices Counselling  
Cambridge Deaf Organisation  
Road Victims Trust  
Cambridge Group Therapy  
Diane Cole Counselling  
Adrian Jackson Counselling  
Sefanit Inquai Counselling  
Probation Service  
Slimming World

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Many of these centre users had to stop during lockdown. Some re-started when restrictions were eased during the summer and continued during the second lockdown as guidelines permitted. We did however see a decrease in some of the above users returning to the centre post lockdown. However we have since seen the new independent counsellors utilising the space. Some of our bigger centre users did not return post lockdown.

## 5. Working Together with Other Organisations

HCC worked in partnership with other like-minded organisations in achieving its objectives. Locally, HCC is a member of Churches Together in Huntingdon and Godmanchester. We are also part of a wider network of churches and ministries in the east of England known as 'Ignite'. Ignite is part of Plumblin Ministries International.

- Our main point of collaboration in 2021 was with Huntingdonshire district council and the children's family centre. As previously mentioned in the section entitled 'Picnic in the Park'

## LEADERSHIP AND STAFF

The Core Leadership Team, who have responsibility for the day-to-day running of the church, meet monthly to plan the spiritual direction and activity of the church. During October, the team retreated to Houghton for 24 hours, to consider vision and strategy for the coming year. Through the year, effort was put in to further define and embed our mission, vision and values. Consideration was also given to how the church would re-gather post-Covid, and what we could learn from the pandemic experience going forward.

### Paid Staff

The Core Leadership team was led by **Tim Anderson**, who worked 2½ days a week for HCC.

**Rebekah Bennett** was employed by HCC from July 2021 and came on board as the Operations Manager. Rebekah became part of our Core leadership team and part of our Executive staff team. Rebekah was employed for 32 hours a week heading up all operations aspects of the Church, line managing staff teams and managing our centre 83a.

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**Ania Anderson** continued as Family Support and Outreach Worker working 10 hrs a week.

**Richard Schwier** worked 32.5 hrs a week, leading youth work and also helping in the wider strategic direction of the church, including joining core leadership meetings. He continued to be seconded to the Thrive youth ministry for 10 hours of this time per week.

**Helen Cobby** joined us on 1<sup>st</sup> February as a Family Worker employed for 15 hrs a week. She has worked to encourage and galvanise the families in the church, provide material and lead children's and families sessions on Sundays and at Explore and Forest Church

**Dan Flint** worked 5 hrs a week throughout the year as Toddler Group Project Worker

**Justyna Kaczmarek** worked 3 hrs a week as a Toddler Group Assistant throughout the year, and 5hrs a week as a cleaner in the last 3 months of the year.

### **Volunteers**

Jean Casling continued in the role of Associate Pastor with pastoral and other responsibilities across the church.

Debby Flint met with the staff team for the majority of the year. Debby Left the team in December 2021.

Many other members of the church served in a voluntary capacity at events and activities throughout the year.

### **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Unrestricted income for the year was £163,924 (2020: £120,655 ) and unrestricted expenditure was £122,652 (2020: £118,093). The Trustees have reviewed the reports and concerns and consider the charity is a going concern.

We retain significant funds in reserve (the Support Reserves fund) to cover salaries and other committed contract costs for a period of three months. Giving by church members was broadly stable across the year, with occasional one-off large donations. Centre lettings income, however, was severely impacted by the pandemic. A grant of £5,000 was received from the local council as a Covid Discretionary Business Grant and one of £2,500 from Huntingdon Freeman's Trust towards refurbishment of our forecourt. We also received a legacy donation from a member of the Church that passed away, this was to sum of £10,000. We received a further payment of £25,000 from our insurance company as a loss of income during COVID-19.

The funds of the charity include restricted and designated funds for the following purposes:

**Designated funds:** Building Renovation; Support Reserves; Donations; Fixed Asset

**Restricted funds:** PA; Toddler Group; Special Needs; Community Needs; Building

### **RELATED PARTIES**

During the year one trustee, Timothy Anderson, was engaged in remunerated activity and received £21,630 as ministry salary during the year. His wife, Ania Anderson, not a trustee, was also employed by the church and received a salary of £7,508.70

Huntingdonshire Community Church is a member of the Evangelical Alliance (Registered Charity Number 212325) and seeks when and where it can to support the EA's aims by prayer, financial giving and attendance at events.

The Church is also a member of the network of churches comprising Plumblin Ministries International (Registered Charity Number 327271). We support Plumblin both financially and by participating in Plumblin events and working towards Plumblin's objectives of planting and developing new churches across the country.

This report and the financial statements were approved by the trustees on      and signed on their behalf by:

Stephen Cawley  
Chairman

Timothy Anderson  
Trustee

**HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH****RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021**

		<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>Restricted Funds</b>	<b>Designated Funds</b>	<b>Total Funds 2021</b>
	<b>Notes</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Receipts</b>					
Donations and legacies	1	92,040	2,587	3,310	<b>97,937</b>
Income from Charitable Activities	2	25,068			<b>25,068</b>
Investment Income		8			<b>8</b>
Other income and Grants Received	3	46,808	2,451		<b>49,259</b>
<b>Total Receipts</b>		<b>163,924</b>	<b>5,038</b>	<b>3,310</b>	<b>172,272</b>
<b>Payments</b>					
Worship and service - Staff costs	4	82,591			<b>82,591</b>
Worship and service - Other costs	5	11,134	194		<b>11,328</b>
Mission services	6	23,271	4,318	1,859	<b>29,448</b>
Outreach		2,127			<b>2,127</b>
Building maintenance and improvements	7	1,959	195		<b>2,154</b>
Governance costs	8	1,570			<b>1,570</b>
<b>Total Payments</b>		<b>122,652</b>	<b>4,707</b>	<b>1,859</b>	<b>129,218</b>
<b>Net of Receipts/ (Payments)</b>		<b>41,272</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>1,451</b>	<b>43,054</b>
<b>Cash Funds b/f 1st January 2021</b>		<b>85,334</b>	<b>3,021</b>	<b>46,927</b>	<b>135,282</b>
<b>Cash Funds c/f 31st December 2021</b>	9	<b>126,606</b>	<b>3,352</b>	<b>48,378</b>	<b>178,336</b>

**Total Funds  
2020**

**£**

91,117  
32,335  
55  
16,769

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140,276

80,071  
14,492  
21,077  
1,813  
23,090  
2,844

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143,387

(3,111)

138,393

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135,282

**HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH**

**REPORT AND ACCOUNTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED**

**31ST DECEMBER 2021**

**Registered Charity Number - 803355**

**Address:**

**83a High Street**

**Huntingdon**

**Cambridgeshire**

**PE29 3DP**

**HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH****NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (continued)****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021****9. Funds Movements**

	Cash Funds at 1/1/2021	Fund movements 2021	Cash Funds at 12/31/2021
	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted Income Funds</b>			
<b>General Fund</b>	<b>85,334</b>	<b>41,272</b>	<b>126,606</b>
<b>Designated Funds</b>			
Building renovation fund	23,907		23,907
Donations fund	1,020	1,451	2,471
Support reserves	22,000		22,000
	<b>46,927</b>	<b>1,451</b>	<b>48,378</b>
<b>Total Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>132,261</b>	<b>42,723</b>	<b>174,984</b>
<b>Restricted Income Funds</b>			
Special needs fund	304	268	572
Community needs fund	1,571		1,571
Toddler group fund	177	63	240
Building fund	969		969
	<b>3,021</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>3,352</b>
<b>Total Bank and Cash Funds</b>	<b>135,282</b>	<b>43,054</b>	<b>178,336</b>

**HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH****NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Designated Funds	Total Funds 2021
	£	£	£	£
<b>1. Donations and legacies received</b>				
Fund receipts - Toddlers		257		257
Offerings	84,057		190	84,247
Gift aid	12,963	470		13,433
less tfrs to Donations fund	(3,120)		3,120	
Special needs fund	(1,860)	1,860		
Community needs fund				
Support reserves				
Toddler group				
	<b>92,040</b>	<b>2,587</b>	<b>3,310</b>	<b>97,937</b>
<b>2. Income from charitable activities</b>				
Centre lettings	24,963			24,963
Reimbursements	105			105
	<b>25,068</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>25,068</b>
<b>3. Other income and Grants received</b>				
Donation recd from Freemens Charity		1,241		1,241
Audrey Royston legacy	10,000			10,000
Insurance loss of income receipt	25,000			25,000
Miscellaneous receipts	5,606	1,210		6,816
Cross charge for youth worker	6,202			6,202
Covid 19 council grant				0
	<b>46,808</b>	<b>2,451</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>49,259</b>
<b>4. Worship and service - staff costs</b>				
Wages	81,527			81,527
less Covid 19 Job Retention Scheme Grants	(2,475)			(2,475)
Pensions	2,138			2,138
Staff socials	468			468
Conferences	0			0
Personal development/training	933			933
	<b>82,591</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>82,591</b>

**HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH****NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Designated Funds	Total Funds 2021
	£	£	£	£
<b>5. Worship and service - other costs</b>				
Bank charges	6			6
Books/media	107			107
Children and Youth expenses	580			580
Craft materials	143			143
Internet/communication	1,425			1,425
Insurance	968			968
IT software/consumables	974			974
Miscellaneous gifts/expenses	145			145
Stationery	191			191
PA items	0			0
Printing and postage	120			120
Refreshments	284	9		293
Subs/licences	2,914			2,914
Toddler group materials	353	185		538
Travel	122			122
Utilities	1,503			1,503
Venue hire	1,164			1,164
Worship group	0			0
Gifts to visiting preachers	135			135
	<b>11,134</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11,328</b>
<b>6. Mission services</b>				
Donations	13,443			13,443
less Tfrs to Donations fund	(1,859)		1859	0
to Special needs fund	(4,318)	4,318		0
to Community needs fund				0
to Toddler group fund				0
Tithe to Plumblin	16,005			16,005
	<b>23,271</b>	<b>4,318</b>	<b>1,859</b>	<b>29,448</b>
<b>7 Building maintenance and improvements</b>				
Building maintenance	1,959	195		2,154
Building improvements				
- forecourt refurbishment				0
- flat roof repair				0

**HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH****NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021**

	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>Restricted Funds</b>	<b>Designated Funds</b>	<b>Total Funds 2021</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
	<b>1,959</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,154</b>
<b>8. Governance costs</b>				
Accountancy/ independent exam fees	550			550
Consultancy expenses				0
Legal fees	1,020			1,020
	<b>1,570</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,570</b>

**Total Funds:  
2020**

**£**

87  
77,254  
13,776

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**91,117**

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32,229  
106

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**32,335**

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2,500  
0  
0  
1,753  
7,516  
5,000

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**16,769**

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77,190  
(1,082)  
2,014  
0  
1,001  
948

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**80,071**

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**Total Funds:  
2020**

**£**

0  
163  
81  
37  
1,737  
744  
475  
0  
160  
1,918  
959  
424  
2,333  
0  
181  
2,210  
2,500  
2  
568

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**14,492**

9,225  
0  
0  
0  
0  
11,852

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**21,077**

5,870

15,120  
2,100

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**Total Funds:  
2020**

**£**  
**23,090**

500  
2,344  
0  
**2,844**

**HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH****STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES****AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2021**

	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>Restricted Funds</b>	<b>Designated Funds</b>	<b>Total Funds 2021</b>
	£	£	£	£
<b>Cash funds</b>				
HSBC current account				<b>91,639</b>
Barclays savings account				<b>86,377</b>
Office petty cash				<b>320</b>
<b>Total Monetary Assets</b>	<b>126,606</b>	<b>3,352</b>	<b>48,378</b>	<b>178,336</b>
<b>Other Monetary Assets</b>				
Due from users of property	5,360			<b>5,360</b>
Gift aid recoverable	4,709			<b>4,709</b>
	<b>10,069</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10,069</b>

	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Net Book Value 2021</b>
		£	£
<b>Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>			
Sofas	Unrestricted	1,168	0
Photocopier/Printer	Unrestricted	3,720	0
Freehold Land	Fixed asset	60,000	60,000
Freehold Building and Improvements	Fixed asset	176,851	169,777
Replacement of Upper Flat Roof	Fixed asset	16,400	11,480
Forecourt refurbishment (2020)	Fixed asset	15,120	13,860
Lower flat roof replacement (2020)	Fixed asset	2,100	1,916
		<b>210,471</b>	<b>197,033</b>
<b>Total fixed assets</b>		<b>275,359</b>	<b>257,033</b>

		<b>Amount due</b>	<b>When due</b>
		£	
<b>Liabilities</b>			
December 21 invoices paid in January 22	Unrestricted	0	
Tithe due to Plumblin	Unrestricted	970	Jan-22
Independent examiner's fee	Unrestricted	575	Jan-22
Staff PAYE, NI and Pension	Unrestricted	1,214	Jan-22
		<b>2,759</b>	

Signed:.....

Date:.....

Signed:.....

Date:.....

**Total Funds**  
**2020**  
**£**

**53,780**  
**81,369**  
**133**  

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**135,282**  

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**1,160**  
**1,167**  

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**2,327**  

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## **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Huntingdonshire Community Church for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above Charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021.

### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act, and, in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Act).

### **Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which give me cause to believe that, in any material respect, the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act, or the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

I have no concerns, and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

*Carole Cowgill 20/5/22*

### **Mrs Carole Cowgill ACA**

4 Penny Meadow, Capel St Mary, Ipswich, Suffolk, IP9 2UU



**HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 803355

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# Accounts

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**Registered Charity  
No 803355**

# **TRUSTEES' REPORT**

**for the year ended  
31<sup>st</sup> December 2020**

**83a High Street, Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire, PE29 3DP**  
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**Huntingdonshire Community Church**

**Annual Trustees' Report for the year  
ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020**

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**Huntingdonshire Community Church**

**LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

Charity number	803355
Trustees	Jonathan Gray Stephen Cawley Timothy Anderson
Eldership team	Timothy Anderson Trevor Payne
Principal address and registered office	83a High Street Huntingdon Cambs PE29 3DP
Independent Examiner	Carole Cowgill ACA 4 Penny Meadow Ipswich Suffolk IP9 2UU
Bankers	Barclays Bank Market Hill Huntingdon Cambs PE29 3AE  HSBC 132 High Street Huntingdon Cambs PE29 3NG

## **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020**

### **Introduction**

The trustees present their report and financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2020. The accounts have been prepared under the Receipts and Payments method, which summarises bank and cash transactions during the year.

### **Trustees' Responsibilities**

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of its financial activities for that year. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to:

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

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud or other irregularities.

### **Organisation and Status**

Huntingdon Community Church (HCC) operates under a Deed of Trust and was registered as a charity on 1<sup>st</sup> June 1990 with the charity registration number 803355. Its main purpose is the advancement of the Christian faith.

During the year, the Trustees were: Jonathan Gray, Stephen Cawley and Timothy Anderson.

Additional trustees are recommended by the church eldership to be approved by the current trustees.

The responsibility for managing the Trust on a day-to-day basis is delegated by the Trustees to the Eldership Team, one of whom, the church's Senior Leader, is also a Trustee.

During the year, the Eldership Team consisted of Timothy Anderson and Trevor Payne.

## **Public benefit**

The charity trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit in section 4 of the 2011 Charities Act, and the supplementary guidance on the advancement of religion for the public benefit, published by the Charity Commission, in exercising their powers and duties.

## **REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS**

In 2020, HCC's leadership worked to fulfil its charitable aims and objectives as laid out in the Charity's trust deed. These are:

- to advance the Christian faith
- to provide relief for those facing hardship, distress or sickness
- to advance education on the basis of Christian principles

The Eldership Team annually reviews HCC's objectives. In 2020, priorities were set to: provide pastoral support for the church members through the Covid pandemic; maintain a Sunday presence through online services; and, adopt a responsive stance towards meeting needs within the wider community.

The Board of Trustees met formally 3 times over the year (both physically and over Zoom) with further business being conducted via informal means of communication.

HCC delivers its charitable objectives through:

- Sunday gatherings, mid-week small groups and pastoral care open to all
- Supporting and equipping its members and others who connect with us in reaching their full potential in life based on Christian values, through one-to-one support, teaching, training and courses
- Outreach events and activities that advance the faith and enrich the wider community and family life in Huntingdonshire
- Use of '83a' – the Church Centre
- Working together with other organisations

Our mission as a church is: 'to enable people and communities in Huntingdonshire to thrive, through putting the power of God's love into action'.

The report that follows summarises the activities of the Trust over the past year. These activities were impacted severely by the Covid-19 pandemic, which caused cancellation of much of our programme and a shift to online means of communication from the end of March.

Many of our members either work or serve as volunteers in public office, voluntary organisations, education, or medical professions.

**1. Sunday Gatherings, Small Groups and Pastoral Care Open to All** The church provides the opportunity for members of all ages to meet together corporately on a weekly basis for worship, teaching, inspiration and fellowship. We also believe that mid-week small groups are excellent

settings for us to grow and interact in a more personal and intimate environment. We offer 'first line' pastoral care to church members, referring more complex cases to the appropriate authorities.

- **Sunday Services** Our Sunday services continued to be the main 'shop window' for the public to access the church. Until 16<sup>th</sup> March these were held at Cromwell Academy in the Hinchingbrooke estate of Huntingdon, following our move there in October 2019. In the first 2½ months of the year we consolidated our move to the new venue, bringing in systems and rotas to smooth the weekly operation.
- **Format** Our services at Cromwell included sung worship, news sharing, prayer and teaching/learning. On three Sundays in a month, children and youth received their own teaching while the adults had a bible-based talk. On the fourth Sunday, all ages were together throughout the meeting, and the content of the service was suited to families. These meetings were lighter in content and designed as an opportunity for newcomers to experience church in an appealing way.
- **Impact of Covid on Sundays** Following the announcement of the first Covid lockdown, we moved our Sunday services online. In moving to online services, our desire was to maximise contact and connection between church members for mutual support and encouragement within the constraints of the lockdown. At the same time, we aimed to create variety and engagement in our online services within the limits of our resources. Material was prepared during the previous week by members of the staff team, and a pre-recorded video was streamed through the Church Online portal. The portal allowed church members to take part in online chat during the service. There was often a 5 minute period during the service when attendees could text or phone a greeting to others in the church, and, at the end of the meeting, a Zoom call was held to which everyone was invited. Musical worship for these services was provided by a number of musicians within the church recording song parts at home, for them to be combined into a single recording. A number of church members contributed to the online services by recording video pieces for the services. Online services began on 29<sup>th</sup> March.
- **Attendance** Whether physical or online, Sunday services continued to be a key way we support our members in the development of their faith, and help them to live out their Christian values in their daily lives to the broader enrichment of the community. Our 8-week rolling average all-age Sunday attendance on 15<sup>th</sup> March, the last physical meeting, had reached 78, representing further growth over the figure at the end of 2019 (72). The total number of adults regularly attending or connected with HCC at the end of the year was over 90, and the number of children around 40.
- **'Explore': Bringing Families Together** Through the year it was planned to run a series of events on Saturdays at 83a or in the setting of a local park to bring young families together for encouragement and support. Over time, the intention was to invite local families from outside the church into this setting. One such event was held, but the remainder were cancelled due to the pandemic.
- **'One Church: Three Locations' on Sundays** In September, as the restrictions following the first lockdown we eased, we began to deliver fully live streamed services from our town centre premises (83a) for those who were willing to meet face-to-face in a Covid-safe

environment. At the same time, we introduced 'Forest Church', a socially-distanced creative form of church meeting in the surrounds of Hinchingsbrooke Park, held in a social-distanced manner. This was attended by a wide range of ages including teenagers, singles, couples and those with young families. It was a development of 'Explore', mentioned above, and was held bi-weekly. Together with the streamed service which could be joined at our town centre premises or at home, this gave 3 ways for people to connect with HCC on Sundays. This arrangement lasted until the end of October and the start of the second lockdown, when we returned to being online only with pre-recorded services.

- **Mid-week Small Groups** We place high value on mid-week small groups as places church members can receive encouragement, support, learn together and work out their Christian faith in a supportive and caring environment. The year started with 4 such groups, meeting around Hinchingsbrooke, Stukeley Meadows and Oxmoor together with a central Huntingdon-based ladies group. The Oxmoor group disbanded early in the year, but was replaced by a young families group as groups went online, using. Initially, groups met twice a week during the lockdown (for some this was a 4-fold increase in frequency).
- **Youth, Children and Infants** Youth and children's work relevant to Sundays is covered in the next section. A room was set aside at our Sunday venue for a parent-tended creche for infants.
- **Pastoral Care** Pastoral care continued to be run by a team which included the two church elders, Jean Casling (Associate Pastor) and 2 members of the church. This team met monthly to maintain oversight of pastoral issues across the church, provided one-to-one support, and signposted individuals to further help where appropriate. At the outset of the pandemic, each adult church member was 'allocated' to a staff team member for contact and support. The wellbeing of each person in the church was reviewed in the monthly pastoral meetings.
- **Communications** The church recognised that particularly during lockdowns, good communications were key to reducing isolation, keeping people connected, and identifying any pastoral issues that needed support. A regular weekly email was prepared, the website was kept updated, weekly video updates by church leaders were produced for much of the year, facebook pages were populated and several WhatsApp groups were formed. This hopefully resulted in no one feeling left out or deserted.

## 2. Supporting and Equipping Members and Non-Members

Throughout the year we worked to enable people to fulfil their potential based on Christian values through one-to-one support, Sunday teaching, training and courses. In 2020 we ran the following training and resourcing opportunities:

- **Sunday Teaching and Small Group Application.** During the year our teaching topics included the following: 'Jesus in HD' – a series from the Gospel of Mark; studies on the 5-fold ministry gifts; a series in the summer called 'led', looking at Psalm 23; a series on the essentials of church from Acts; and, the Prayer Course, produced by 24-7 Prayer. Topics covered on Sundays were followed up by study and discussion in the small groups during the week.

- **Prayer** Prayer continued to be an important part of our church rhythm. As well as our regular monthly church prayer meetings, prayer times were held before Sunday meetings. We also held 2 dedicated periods of prayer in January and September. We ran a church-wide prayer WhatsApp group in which urgent needs could be prayed for and people supported through times of need, as well as a group for intercessors. We had a prayer box in the hallway in the church building where anyone from the community visiting the centre could submit a prayer request. The leadership team met for prayer each Thursday at midday. In all of these activities, prayer topics included both the work of the church, the wider community and the nation. Following the first lockdown, all prayer meetings went online.
- **Baptisms** A baptismal service was held in a local swimming pool in February when 3 members of the church were baptised by immersion, a next step encouraged by the Bible following coming to faith. The was a great celebratory event for the church.
- **Connect Lunch** In January, a 'Connect Lunch' was held after our Sunday morning meeting. This was designed to allow newcomers to the church to find out more about us, to meet the leadership, to hear about vision, and have a tour of our premises.
- **'Exploring Your Connection' New Members Course.** One such course was run in early March to welcome new people into the church. The course covers what we believe, our values, how we work and our vision. This gives a chance for people exploring their connection with us to ask questions, to test if this is the right church for them to make 'home' and to meet the leadership and discuss their integration and the part they might play in the church.
- **Childrens Work** Aided by the appointment of a second children's worker, children's work developed well over the first 2½ months of the year while meeting face-to-face. During the online services, children's items were included each week, although predominantly on the family service weeks. Activity packs appropriate to the theme of the following Sunday were made up and delivered to homes in the week prior to the Sunday meeting.
- **Sunday Youth Work** Prior to the first lockdown, youth meetings were held during the Sunday gatherings while adults were listening to the sermon. By September 2020 the youth groups consisted of 9 young people. After lockdown, the Sunday Group continued on zoom, initially meeting on Sunday afternoons and following the content of the Sunday service. Later it reverted to its own content and met concurrently with the morning church service.
- **Wider Youth Work** Prior to lockdown, the Friday Night Youth event continued to be a popular space with around 20 young people regularly attending. This was held 3 times a month and used both the facilities at the Methodist church for a more typical youth club night, and HCC's own facilities where we hosted the youth Alpha course with a meal. We also ran various trips. Initially following lockdown, support was given through a mid-weekly zoom call and then, when opportunity arose, we returned to 83a for some socially distanced youth evenings. Through other church partnerships and through his employment with Thrive, our youth worker also played an active role in engaging with young people in schools, including at assemblies, Christian Union groups, in groupwork and offering year 6

transition lessons to the primary schools across Huntingdon. Although schools work stopped during lockdown we were still able to provide primary schools with a creative online lesson for those transitioning to secondary schools in Huntingdon.

- **Badminton Group** The Sunday afternoon badminton group continued during the first few months of the year. This allowed 6-8 people to meet together socially outside of church, and was appreciated by all. In particular, this provide a vehicle for some who were going through difficult times to be accepted and take part on a fun activity.
- **Ladies Evening Meal Out** Relationships between ladies in the church and some friends were built up during an evening meal out during March.
- **Sozo Course** Four church members attended an introductory course on the Bethel 'Sozo' ministry. Sozo is a process that allows people to be helped with spiritual healing; it is a course that we may look to run in the future.
- **Walks and Picnics** When it became possible during the summer, small groups were encouraged to meet in parks to take a walk together. Three picnics were held in August in a town park. These were the first opportunities for people from across the whole church to get together, and were attended by up to 20 people each.
- **Online Devotions** On 3 occasions through the year, Tim Anderson, senior pastor, produced a series of online devotions for church members which were highly appreciated.

Many of the physical activities were planned to be repeated during the year, but could not be held due to the Covid pandemic.

### **3. Outreach Events that Demonstrate the Faith and Enrich the Wider Community and Family Life in Huntingdonshire and Beyond**

Over 2020 we actively sought to engage and serve the community within Huntingdonshire. We undertook this in the following ways:

- **Toddler Group** The Family Support and Outreach Worker continued to run the HCC Rainbow Toddler Group, which aims provide one-to-one support for families within and outside the church community and to develop programmes and events to enhance the well-being of families, parents and children in Huntingdon and the surrounding areas. The Rainbow Toddler Group has continued to prove highly attractive; in the first 2½ months of the year we continued to fill the capacity of the venue with around 22 families present. The Toddler Group was put in abeyance during the lockdowns. Starting in September, a Toddler Toy Library was arranged, mums being able to book a 10-minute slot to come and meet the team, and borrow a toy for a week. In the week before Christmas, a 'come and meet Santa' event was held, again with parents booking a 10-minute slot for their child.
- **Youth Work** As mentioned above, we continued to employ a Youth Worker, who has helped considerably to drive forward our youth work, making events more active, engaging and meaningful to all present. The youth worker was seconded to the Huntingdon-wide 'Thrive' youth ministry for 10 hrs a week throughout the year. This helped him provide

considerable input to that organisation including, prior to the lockdowns, the running of youth cafés at 3 locations in the town. The team also undertook work into several local schools, leading assemblies and taking session for the Christian Union. Together with the Methodist Church in the town centre, Friday night youth sessions continued until lockdown. These included a meal and discussions time, traditional youth club activities, and trips out.

- **Alpha** In the Spring we ran an Alpha course, to introduce the Christian faith to a number who were enquiring about the basic principles of the faith. Seven people attended the course and all benefitted from the clear exposition of what it means to be a Christian. Many are now continuing in the faith.
- **Creative English** On Monday mornings until the first lockdown, we continued running a nationally-recognised course for the community entitled 'Creative English'. This is designed to give those for whom English is not their native language greater confidence in speaking the language through fun, role-playing activities and gentle learning. A core of around 10 local residents regularly attended these courses.
- **Wetherspoons Lunches** Once a month, after the Sunday service, we held lunches in the nearby Wetherspoons restaurant. This would have provided a cost-effective way for newcomers or people who are on their own to meet in a social setting after church, deepen their connections and find out more about the church. Due to Covid, only one such lunch was held.
- **Movie Nights** A movie night was held on 7<sup>th</sup> February and featured the Lego Movie. Around 68 people from within and outside the church gathered for an evening with food and a film relevant to primary school ages. This was followed by a Sunday morning service themed on the film, so as to make a connection to which to invite film night visitors. A further movie night had been planned for later in the year.
- **Covid-Specific Community Activities** Activities run during the year as a result of the pandemic included the following:
  - **'Give Help, Get Help'** A website-based facility was set up to enable anyone in the community to offer help to others during the pandemic, or to receive help.
  - **The 'Mask Challenge'** At the time when there was a severe shortage of PPE for hospitals and care homes, a project was launched to make masks for local care homes. Our target of making 50 masks in 10 days was well exceeded.
  - **Summer Brunches** During the summer, along with the local councils, we supplied brunches at a venue on the Oxmoor estate to local families identified to be in need and registered with local organisations. A total of 48 families were supported over a 30 day period, HCC providing a number of volunteers to assist with hosting families.
  - **Christmas Hampers** At Christmas, in cooperation with the local council we supplied hampers to families registered as being in need in the Hinchbrook

area of Huntingdon, as well as to some care homes. The hampers contained routine food items, special Christmas items, and toys.

- **Easter and Christmas** At the start of the year, we had planned to hold cafes with live animal displays at Easter and Christmas to reach out to families in the local community. Due to the pandemic, all our festival events had to be online. At Easter we held a reflective online service on Good Friday, and a celebratory event on Easter Sunday with packs being provided to families beforehand. At Christmas, we held a Christingle carol service with components for the Christingle, and a Christmas card, being delivered to everyone in the church prior to the service. Christingles were lit together on Zoom as part of the service.
- **Huntingdon Beach Party** A date had been booked in June for the Huntingdon Beach Party, a major event on the market square organised over the last 6 years with other Huntingdon churches, but this had to be cancelled due to the pandemic.

#### 4. The 83a Centre

Our church building, '83a', occupies an easily-accessible high street location. Using space that is not required for church activities, it enables us to provide, at affordable prices, other organisations to operate locally in serving townspeople.

The following organisations were hosted on a regular basis in our building in the first 2½ months of 2020, significantly furthering the public benefit derived from the building:

Huntingdon Area Money Advice (given free office space within the building)  
Cambridgeshire, Peterborough and South Lincolnshire Mind  
Huntingdon Psychological Wellbeing Service  
East Anglia Diabetic Eye Screening Service  
Choices Counselling  
Cambridge Deaf Organisation  
Road Victims Trust  
Cambridge Group Therapy  
Diane Cole Counselling  
Adrian Jackson Counselling  
Sefanit Inquai Counselling  
Overeaters Anonymous  
Narcotics Anonymous  
Janine Skyrme Pilates Class  
AG Family Support  
Royal Society of St George  
Peterborough Council Occupational Health  
Polish Saturday Language School  
Hands off Hinchinbrooke Hospital campaign  
Huntingdon Trades Council

Many of these activities had to stop during lockdown. Some re-started when restrictions were eased during the summer and continued during the second lockdown as guidelines permitted. Slimming World also started to hold regular meetings here in the Autumn.

## 5. Working Together with Other Organisations

HCC worked in partnership with other like-minded organisations in achieving its objectives. Locally, HCC is a member of Churches Together in Huntingdon and Godmanchester. We are also part of a wider network of churches and ministries in the east of England known as 'Ignite'. Ignite is part of Plumblin Ministries International.

- Church members attended a prophetic conference organised by Ignite and held at the Ignite church at Royston in March. Many were encouraged through the prophetic ministry of Isabel Allum.
- During the lockdown, 2 Sunday morning services were held with the 5 other churches in the Ignite network. All churches contributed to the mornings, which involved shared celebratory worship and stories of what the various churches were doing. We also held an Ignite prayer meeting coinciding with our HCC monthly prayer meeting to allow the churches to establish links through prayer.
- **Carols by Carlight** We assisted 2 other local churches in arranging 'Carols by Carlight' in December. This consisted of 2 drive-in carol services on a field at the local racecourse, and featured a local band and a guest speaker. It was well attended by church members and the local community, including a number of staff from the local hospital.

## LEADERSHIP AND STAFF

The Eldership Team, who have responsibility for the day-to-day running of the church, meet monthly to plan the spiritual direction and activity of the church. During November, the team retreated to Launde Abbey in Leicestershire for 24 hours, to consider vision and strategy for the coming year. Through the year, effort was put in to further define and embed our mission, vision and values. Consideration was also given to how the church would re-gather post-Covid, and what we could learn from the pandemic experience going forward.

### Paid Staff

The eldership team was led by **Tim Anderson**, who worked 2½ days a week for HCC.

**Trevor Payne** has worked in a paid capacity for 4 hrs a week managing HCC's admin and finance functions. He further served in a voluntary capacity in the church office such that he was working full-time in the office until the lockdown, and almost full time at home during lockdowns.

**Ania Anderson** continued as Family Support and Outreach Worker working 10 hrs a week.

**Sarah Ford** worked 3½ days a week as Administration Assistant but left on 16<sup>th</sup> April after illness.

**Richard Schwier** worked 32.5 hrs a week, leading youth work and also helping in the wider strategic direction of the church, including joining elders meetings. He was seconded to the Thrive youth ministry for 10 hours of this time per week. Richard made a considerable contribution to online services.

**Helen Cobby** joined us on 1<sup>st</sup> February as a Family Worker employed for 15 hrs a week. She has worked to encourage and galvanise the families in the church, provide material and lead children's and families sessions on Sundays and at Explore and Forest Church. She also spent a considerable amount of time on online services.

**Dan Flint** worked 5 hrs a week throughout the year as Toddler Group Project Worker, but was furloughed during the lockdown.

**Justyna Kaczmarek** worked 3 hrs a week as a Toddler Group Assistant throughout the year, and 3 hrs a week as a cleaner in the last 3 months of the year. She was furloughed during the lockdown.

## **Volunteers**

Jean Casling continued in the role of Associate Pastor with pastoral and other responsibilities across the church.

Debby Flint met with the staff team for most of the year and ran some of the physical events that were held.

Many other members of the church served in a voluntary capacity at events and activities throughout the year.

## **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Unrestricted income for the year was £120,655 (2019: £139,769) and unrestricted expenditure was £118,093 (2019: £126,090).

We retain significant funds in reserve (the Support Reserves fund) to cover salaries and other committed contract costs for a period of three months. Giving by church members was broadly stable across the year, with occasional one-off large donations. Centre lettings income, however, was severely impacted by the pandemic. A grant of £5,000 was received from the local council as a Covid Discretionary Business Grant and one of £2,500 from Huntingdon Freeman's Trust towards refurbishment of our forecourt. There were several new givers amongst the church congregation.

The funds of the charity include restricted and designated funds for the following purposes:

**Designated funds:** Building Renovation; Support Reserves; Donations; Fixed Asset

**Restricted funds:** PA; Toddler Group; Special Needs; Community Needs; Building

Over the year, 17.5% of our income was given away to causes outside the core programme of the church.


## **RELATED PARTIES**

During the year one trustee, Timothy Anderson, was engaged in remunerated activity and received £21,000 as ministry salary during the year. His wife, Ania Anderson, not a trustee, was also employed by the church and received a salary of £7,290.

Huntingdonshire Community Church is a member of the Evangelical Alliance (Registered Charity Number 212325) and seeks when and where it can to support the EA's aims by prayer, financial giving and attendance at events.

The Church is also a member of the network of churches comprising Plumblin Ministries International (Registered Charity Number 327271). We support Plumblin both financially and by participating in Plumblin events and working towards Plumblin's objectives of planting and developing new churches across the country.

This report and the financial statements were approved by the trustees on April 2021 and signed on their behalf by:

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Stephen Cawley  
Chairman

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Timothy Anderson', written over a horizontal line.

Timothy Anderson  
Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Huntingdonshire Community Church  
For the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above Charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act, and, in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Act).

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which give me cause to believe that, in any material respect, the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act, or the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

I have no concerns, and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

*Carole Cowgill* 17/3/21

**Mrs Carole Cowgill ACA**

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**HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH****RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £	Total Funds 2019 £
<b>Receipts</b>						
Donations and legacies	1	75,746	4,252	11,119	<b>91,117</b>	87,900
Income from Charitable Activities	2	32,335			<b>32,335</b>	54,299
Investment Income		55			<b>55</b>	96
Other income and Grants Received	3	12,519	1,750	2,500	<b>16,769</b>	11,595
<b>Total Receipts</b>		<b>120,655</b>	<b>6,002</b>	<b>13,619</b>	<b>140,276</b>	<b>153,890</b>
<b>Payments</b>						
Worship and service - Staff costs	4	80,071			<b>80,071</b>	71,941
Worship and service - Other costs	5	14,458	34		<b>14,492</b>	18,790
Mission services	6	13,289	5,280	2,508	<b>21,077</b>	31,292
Outreach		1,561	252		<b>1,813</b>	6,940
Building maintenance and improvements	7	5,870		17,220	<b>23,090</b>	11,151
Governance costs	8	2,844			<b>2,844</b>	2,700
<b>Total Payments</b>		<b>118,093</b>	<b>5,566</b>	<b>19,728</b>	<b>143,387</b>	<b>142,814</b>
<b>Net of Receipts/ (Payments)</b>		<b>2,562</b>	<b>436</b>	<b>(6,109)</b>	<b>(3,111)</b>	11,076
<b>Cash Funds b/f 1st January 2020</b>		82,772	2,585	53,036	<b>138,393</b>	127,317
<b>Cash Funds c/f 31st December 2020</b>	9	<b>85,334</b>	<b>3,021</b>	<b>46,927</b>	<b>135,282</b>	<b>138,393</b>

**HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH****NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Designated Funds	Total Funds 2020	Total Funds 2019
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>1. Donations and legacies received</b>					
Fund receipts - Toddlers	0	87		87	386
Offerings	77,254			77,254	73,130
Gift aid	13,272	504		13,776	14,384
less tfrs to Donations fund	(3,120)		3,120		
Special needs fund	(2,821)	2,821			
Community needs fund	(640)	640			
Support reserves	(7,999)		7,999		
Toddler group	(200)	200			
	<b>75,746</b>	<b>4,252</b>	<b>11,119</b>	<b>91,117</b>	<b>87,900</b>
<b>2. Income from charitable activities</b>					
Centre lettings	32,229			32,229	54,085
Reimbursements	106			106	214
	<b>32,335</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>32,335</b>	<b>54,299</b>
<b>3. Other income and Grants received</b>					
Donation recd from Freemens Charity			2,500	2,500	650
Miscellaneous receipts	3	1,750		1,753	3,024
Cross charge for youth worker	7,516			7,516	7,921
Covid 19 council grant	5,000			5,000	0
	<b>12,519</b>	<b>1,750</b>	<b>2,500</b>	<b>16,769</b>	<b>11,595</b>
<b>4. Worship and service - staff costs</b>					
Wages	77,190			77,190	69,004
less Covid 19 Job Retention Scheme Gran	(1,082)			(1,082)	0
Pensions	2,014			2,014	1,568
Staff socials	0			0	170
Conferences	1,001			1,001	389
Personal development/training	948			948	810
	<b>80,071</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>80,071</b>	<b>71,941</b>

**HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH****NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Designated Funds	Total Funds 2020	Total Funds 2019
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>5. Worship and service - other costs</b>					
Books/media	163			163	509
Children and Youth expenses	81			81	427
Craft materials	37			37	0
Internet/communication	1,737			1,737	1,554
Insurance	744			744	2,128
IT software/consumables	475			475	198
Stationery	160			160	713
PA items	1,918			1,918	2,223
Printing and postage	959			959	512
Refreshments	390	34		424	1,803
Subs/licences	2,333			2,333	2,266
Travel	181			181	755
Utilities	2,210			2,210	3,569
Venue hire	2,500			2,500	1,166
Worship group	2			2	19
Gifts to visiting preachers	568			568	948
	<b>14,458</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14,492</b>	<b>18,790</b>
<b>6. Mission services</b>					
Donations	9,225			9,225	16,621
less Tfrs to Donations fund	(2,508)		2508	0	0
to Special needs fund	(5,055)	5,055		0	0
to Community needs fund	(225)	225		0	0
to Toddler group fund				0	0
Tithe to Plumblin	11,852			11,852	14,671
	<b>13,289</b>	<b>5,280</b>	<b>2,508</b>	<b>21,077</b>	<b>31,292</b>
<b>7 Building maintenance and improvements</b>					
Building maintenance	5,870			5,870	11151
Building improvements					
- forecourt refurbishment			15,120	15,120	0
- flat roof repair			2,100	2,100	0
	<b>5,870</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17,220</b>	<b>23,090</b>	<b>11,151</b>
<b>8. Governance costs</b>					
Accountancy/ independent exam fees	500			500	500
Consultancy expenses	2,344			2,344	2,200
	<b>2,844</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,844</b>	<b>2,700</b>

**HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH****NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (continued)****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020****9. Funds Movements**

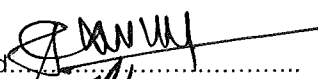

	Funds at 01/01/2020	Fund movements 2020	Funds at 31/12/2020
	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted Income Funds</b>			
<b>General Fund</b>	<u>82,772</u>	<u>2,562</u>	<u>85,334</u>
<b>Designated Funds</b>			
Building renovation fund	38,628	(14,721)	23,907
Donations fund	407	613	1,020
Support reserves	14,001	7,999	22,000
	<u>53,036</u>	<u>(6,109)</u>	<u>46,927</u>
<b>Total Unrestricted Funds</b>	<u>135,808</u>	<u>(3,547)</u>	<u>132,261</u>
<b>Restricted Income Funds</b>			
Special needs fund	284	20	304
Community needs fund	1,164	407	1,571
Toddler group fund	168	9	177
Building fund	969	0	969
	<u>2,585</u>	<u>436</u>	<u>3,021</u>
<b>Total Bank and Cash Funds</b>	<u>138,393</u>	<u>(3,111)</u>	<u>135,282</u>

**HUNTINGDONSHIRE COMMUNITY CHURCH****STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES****AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2020**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £	Total Funds 2019 £
<b>Cash funds</b>					
HSBC current account				53,780	49,314
Barclays savings account				81,369	88,953
Office petty cash				133	126
<b>Total Monetary Assets</b>	<b>85,334</b>	<b>3,021</b>	<b>46,927</b>	<b>135,282</b>	<b>138,393</b>
<b>Other Monetary Assets</b>					
Due from users of property	1,160			1,160	9,841
Gift aid recoverable	1,167			1,167	1,079
	<b>2,327</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,327</b>	<b>10,920</b>

	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost £	Net Book Value 2020 £
<b>Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>			
Sofas	Unrestricted	1,168	0
Photocopier/Printer	Unrestricted	3,720	0
Freehold Land	Fixed asset	60,000	60,000
Freehold Building and Improvements	Fixed asset	176,851	173,313
Replacement of Upper Flat Roof	Fixed asset	16,400	12,300
Forecourt refurbishment (2020)	Fixed asset	15,120	14,616
Lower flat roof replacement (2020)	Fixed asset	2,100	2,021
		<b>210,471</b>	<b>202,250</b>
<b>Total fixed assets</b>		<b>275,359</b>	<b>262,250</b>

	Amount due £	When due
<b>Liabilities</b>		
December 20 invoices paid in January 21	Unrestricted	0
Tithe due to Plumblin	Unrestricted	810 Jan-21
Independent examiner's fee	Unrestricted	550 Jan-21
Staff PAYE, NI and Pension	Unrestricted	701 Jan-21

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Date: 16 April 2021  
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