

## **THE CHURCH OF GOD at BALLYMENA**

MINUTES of a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charity  
held at 35 Frys Road Ballymena on 28/01/2024 at 11:30am

Present: Mr Thomas Bell, Mr David Mc Cooke

By Telephone: Mr Jonathan Payne, Mr Kenneth Mc Alees,  
Mr Peter Comfort

In Attendance:  
Mrs Margret Crawford Mrs Hannah Hull  
representing the Congregation.

**Apologies: none**

### **1 Quorum**

The Chairman confirmed that a quorum was present, and the meeting proceeded to business.

### **2 Declaration of Interest**

Each trustee present confirmed that they had no direct or indirect interest in any way in the proposed transaction to be considered at the meeting which they were required to disclose.

The following Trustees declared the nature and extent of the interests they wish to declare as follows: None.

### **3 Purpose of the Meeting and Consideration of the Document**

3.1 To review the Financial year ending September 2023

3.2 The Trustees have considered the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland's guidance on public benefit provision and are

confident that the Church has adequately met this requirement through its activities in 2022-2023.

#### **4 Approval of Transaction**

4.1 The Trustees considered their duties as charity trustees and after due consideration IT WAS RESOLVED THAT:

4.1.1 After the challenging times of the COVID pandemic, the Church of God at Ballymena approached the year October 2022 – September 2023 with hope, optimism, and faith in God's provision. Sunday morning services have continued as usual from 11:30 am. We are grateful to all helpers who generously volunteer their time and talents to support the Church throughout the year. Furthermore, the midweek Bible study and prayer meeting is held every Wednesday morning from 10:30am - 11:30am. Over the last year we have been studying the Book of Psalms.

4.1.2 Church accounts were discussed showing an income of £19746.00 against an Expenditure of £22534.00. A discussion was had about reducing the deficit for the incoming year. It was also noted that the church had helped missionary work in Kenya, Uganda, and Cambodia, and helped local people through their hard times.

4.1.3 After a discussion of moving forward and what was the best approach in today's world, it was decided that the church members would hold a meeting to see how the church could do more in the community. Some things were suggested for review of the congregation.

- 4.1.4 Meeting closed in prayer thanksgiving was given to God for His blessing upon the church.

## **5 Closure**

There being no further business to discuss the Chairman declared the meeting closed.

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Chairperson

**28/01/2024**

Date