

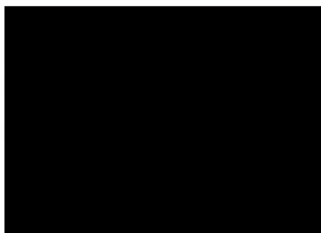
# *BO'NESS*

## *BAPTIST CHURCH*

*Trustees' annual report and accounts for year ended 31 March 2023*



### *Current trustees / Deacons*



*Deacon*  
*Deacon*  
*Secretary*  
*Deacon*  
*Treasurer*

### *Church contact- Address*



### *Appointment of trustees*

*All of our Deacons are elected by the church membership and may serve for a period of 4 years before they have to stand for re-election by ballot.*

### *Governing Document*

*The church is a charitable unincorporated association. Established in 1906. It's structure and administration arrangements are set out in its constitution.  
(Previously supplied.)*

### **Charitable Purposes**

*Our Church has produced a Mission Statement which goes some way to defining our purpose. The proclamation of the Christian Gospel to all within our locality is the main purpose of our existence.*

### **Activities and Achievements**

*Alongside other Christian fellowships in the Bo'ness area, Bo'ness Baptist Church continues to provide a place of worship for people from within and from out-with the locality. Our membership presently stands at 22. There are several others who although they are not members regularly support our worship services and fellowship with us.*

*We are encouraged as together we explore our faith and commitment to the Gospel of Christ. We depend on the spirit of God to inspire and empower us in our efforts to communicate this gospel to our community. Services are normally advertised locally and are open to all comers. Although our pastorate is vacant at this time, we have been richly blessed by a number of visiting preachers.*

*We have returned to meeting in the church for both Sunday services and also the prayer and bible study held on Tuesday evenings. Zoom is still an option if required.*

*Our other outreach ventures, Toddler Group, Coffee Cake & Chat, and Top Toes, have now restarted and are well attended. The Children's Club remains on hold till further notice.*

*We have also started a new venture, fortnightly visits with a short service to Bo'ness care home.*

### **Trustee Remuneration and expenses**

*None of our trustees have made any claim for remuneration or expenses in respect of their role during the last year.*

### **Capital fund and reserves**

*The church recorded a surplus of **£8532.04** at the year end. This is due largely to our not having had to sustain the expense of a full time ministry.*

*The decision to expend resources to support a full time ministry was taken by the full church membership knowing that if our reserves become fully depleted we will no longer be in a position to employ a full time minister.*

### **Pastorate**

*We continue to search for a new minister.*

*God's timing is perfect and we are confident that he will guide our deliberations and make the right person available for us at the appropriate time.*

*We remain encouraged by the level of income provided by our membership. Many of whom have been extraordinarily generous. Therefore our capital fund remains in a healthy position.*

*Interest rates continue to remain very low and we continue to monitor the financial situation.*

*Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf,*

 *(Secretary / Senior Deacon)*

Signed.....



Date.....*16<sup>th</sup> April 2023*

Bo'ness Baptist Church  
Statement of Balances.

*Opening balances at 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022*

Cash in hand	200.00
Current account	<u>87271.67</u>
	<b>87471.67</b>
Surplus for year	<u>8532.04</u>
	<b>96003.71</b>

*Closing balances at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023*

Cash in hand	200.00
Current account	95803.71

**Liabilities**

*The church has no liabilities outstanding at this time*

*Approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf.*

 (senior Deacon)

Signed.....



Date...16<sup>th</sup> April 2023....

Bo'ness Baptist ChurchReceipts and payments account for year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
<u>Receipts</u>		
Cash collections and bank giro credits	21160.00	19851.00
Donations and cash recoveries	4517.23	5072.00
Tax rebate (Gift Aid)	4915.25	4876.50
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b><u>30592.48</u></b>	<b><u>29799.50</u></b>
<u>Payments</u>		
Visiting spkrs	7200.00	5600.00
Baptist union fees	840.00	918.00
Donations to Charities	8200.00	6470.00
Sacristy Comm wine Flowers	-	-
Church Leaflets Cards	-	-
Pension Deficit monthly payments	-	1036.61
Administration (Acat, Payrol, Ccl, Ind ex)	473.42	419.35
<u>Property costs</u>		
Heat Light	1497.56	1116.00
Insurance	657.03	610.54
Virgin Broadband	460.80	460.80
Equipment /maintenance /sundries.	1000.11	129.86
New carpet/Church fence	-	3365.40
Portacabin / Church Doors / Electrical Checks	1731.52	-
<b>Total payments -</b>	<b><u>22060.44</u></b>	<b><u>20126.56</u></b>



# APPENDIX 3



## Independent examiner's report on the accounts

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Report to the trustees/members of

Charity name

Bo'ness Baptist Church

Registered charity number

SC021256

On the accounts of the charity for the period

Period start date

Day

Month

Year

1st

April

2022

to

Period end date

Day

Month

Year

31st

March

2023

Set out on pages

ONE TO FIVE

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) 2005 Act and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention [~~other than that disclosed on the attached page\*~~]

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 44(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations

have not been met, or

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

Signed:

Name:

Date:

13-04-23

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

2nd Year Accountancy Student at Dundee University

Address:

28 Singers Place, Dennyloanhead, Bonnybridge  
FK4 1FD

\*Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply. If the words do apply, set out those matters which have come to your attention on the following page.