VINE EVANGELICAL CHURCH (SEVENOAKS) (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2019

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VINE EVANGELICAL CHURCH (SEVENOAKS) (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

CHARITY NUMBER

1128970

COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER

6821266

START OF FINANCIAL YEAR

1st January 2019

END OF FINANCIAL YEAR

31st December 2019

DIRECTORS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2019

C Stiven C Knight

G Talnio

R Hancock (appointed 28th January 2020)

COMPANY SECRETARY

C Stlven

REGISTERED ADDRESS

Vine Evangelical Church

Hitchen Hatch Lane

Sevenoaks Kent TN13 3AT

GOVERNING INSTRUMENT

Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 17th

February 2009.

PRIMARY BANKERS

CAF Bank

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

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VINE EVANGELICAL CHURCH (SEVENOAKS) (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

The Directors have pleasure in submitting their report and financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2019.

Objects of the charity

The Company seeks to demonstrate the Christian faith in action by being a church in the Sevenoaks area.

Government

The policy and operating decisions of the charity rest with the Directors who meet regularly to monitor the activities of the Company.

Review of Activities

A church is not just a company or a building, but a gathering of ordinary people of different ages and backgrounds, whose lives have been changed by Jesus Christ, the Son of God. The New Testament reveals the Church as a community of people, properly taught and cared for, who by loving and serving Jesus Christ, were also committed to love and care for each other and to bring a blessing to the area in which they lived. The leaders and members of Vine Evangelical Church (Sevenoaks) are committed to the restoration of those New Testament principles. We are not alone in this, but are one of many churches in the area, the country and all over the world that are re-discovering the excitement of knowing Jesus Christ. The vision is to see the people of Sevenoaks District come into this experience of knowing Jesus as their Lord, Saviour and friend.

Although only incorporated as a company in 2009, Vine Evangelical Church (Sevenoaks) ("VEC") has inherited and carries on the rich tradition of the church community that has been meeting in its current premises for some 150 years. VEC has regularly carried out and/or participated in a number of activities during the year with a view to achieving this vision, including weekly worship services with crèche and Sunday Club activities, youth club meetings and outings, men's and women's Bible studies, small group meetings, a mother and toddler group and men's and women's teaching.

During 2019 VEC continued to provide office space without charge for the use of Sevenoaks Area Youth Trust, and to make its premises available free of charge to the Sevenoaks Branch of Crosslight (formerly West Kent Debt Advice), and to the Sevenoaks Child Contact Centre. The two latter organisations are staffed by volunteers from local churches including VEC, and all of them provide services to the public free of charge. In addition VECS serves as the registered office for Sevenoaks Welcomes Refugees, and makes its premises available free of charge for their meetings.

VEC also helps to support financially a number of Commended Workers – members or former members of the church who are engaged in full time Christian ministry in the UK and/or abroad, and who rely on donations from a wide range of supporters, both individual and institutional, including VEC. Finally, VEC is pleased to be one of the local churches participating in the governance of Trinity School, a Christian free school in Sevenoaks that opened in September 2013.

Financial Review

Incoming resources for the year under review amounted to some £134,000, 15% lower than the previous year. This was primarily due to the planned phasing out of donations from a former member who had moved to a different part of the country some six months before the start of the year. Expenditure for the period, at £132,000 was 15% higher than in the previous year, and this was due to a combination of a higher level of outreach and mission activity, together with needed internal repairs and refurbishments to church premises.

VINE EVANGELICAL CHURCH (SEVENOAKS) (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

Directors' Responsibilities

Charity law requires us as Directors to prepare financial statements for each accounting year which give a true and fair view of the state of the charity and of its income and expenditure for the year. This requires us to

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent 2.
- State whether the applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any 3. material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts.
- Prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to 4. presume that the charity will continue in business.

We are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable us to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to prevent fraud or any other irregularities. The importance of these assessments is highlighted by the recent developments arising from the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. The trustees believe that they have sufficient reserves to meet fixed expenses for the 12 months from the signing of these accounts.

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds should be maintained at a level equivalent to a minimum of six months' expenditure, which would have amounted to around £66,000 for the year under review. The directors consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. Unrestricted reserves at the end of the year were £202,000 which would cover approximately 18 months' expenditure. The trustees do not consider that reserves at this level are excessive. In the light of the COVID-19 pandemic, reserves at this level will enable the charity to cover fixed overheads should income from donations fall over the coming months, which the trustees consider to be a real possibility as a result of the economic repercussions of the pandemic countermeasures.

Approval

Approved by the Directors and signed on their behalf on 24 MM

VINE EVANGELICAL CHURCH (SEVENOAKS) (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

Incorporating income and expenditure account

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2019 £	TOTAL 2018 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:						
Donations and Legacies	3a	118,408	-	2,575	120,983	145,182
Charitable Activities	3b	566	-	-	566	625
Trading Activities	3c	12,078	-	-	12,078	11,710
Investments	3d	270	_	-	270	109
TOTAL INCOME		131,322		2,575	133,897	157,626
EXPENDITURE ON:						
Charitable Activities	4	104,031	24,660	3,206	131,897	115,413
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		104,031	24,660	3,206	131,897	115,413
NET INCOME/- EXPENDITURE		27,291	(24,660)	(631)	2,000	42,213
Total Funds Brought Forward		98,655	101,101	1,000	200,756	158,543
Transfer between funds	5	(22,796)	22,796	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORW	ARD	103,150	99,237	369	202,756	200,756

Movements on all reserves and all recognised gains and losses are shown above. All of the organisation's operations are classed as continuing.

The notes on pages 8 to 13 form part of these financial statements.

VINE EVANGELICAL CHURCH (SEVENOAKS) (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2019

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	31-Dec-19 Total £	31-Dec-18 Total £
Fixed Assets Tangible assets	2 ,	578	•	578	1,811
Current Assets Debtors Cash at bank and In hand	7 6	6,980 201,132	- 369	6,980 201,501	3,575 196,270
Total Current Assets		208,112	369	208,481	199,845
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	6,303	-	6,303	900
NET CURRENT ASSETS		201,809	369	202,178	198,945
TOTAL ASSETS less current liabilities		202,387	369	202,756	200,756
NET ASSETS		202,387	369	202,756	200,756
Funds of the Charity General Funds Designated Funds Restricted Funds	5	103,150 99,237 -	- - 369	103,150 99,237 369	98,655 101,101 1,000
Total Funds		202,387	369	202,756	200,756

For the year ending 31st December 2019 the Company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477(2) of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibility for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and for the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

Approved by the Directors on

Signed on their behalf by

...... C Stiven, Director

VINE EVANGELICAL CHURCH (SEVENOAKS) (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2019

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis of accounting in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with applicable accounting standards. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice - "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (SORP 2015). The accounts have been prepared on an ongoing concern basis. The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102.

Advantage has been taken of Section 396(5) of The Companies Act 2006 to allow the format of the financial statements to be adapted to reflect the special nature of the charity's operation and in order to comply with the requirements of the SORP.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No 1 from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement.

Changes in Accounting Policies and Previous Accounts

There has been no change to the accounting policies (variation rules and methods of accounting) since last year.

Income

Recognition of Income

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when:

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- · the trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Income with Related Expenditure

Where income has a related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the income and related expenditure are reported gross in the SOFA.

Grants and Donations

Grants and Donations are only included in the SOFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

Tax Reclaims on Donations and Gifts

Income from tax reclaims are included in the SOFA in the same financial period as the gift to which they relate.

Contractual Income and Performance Related Grants

This is only included in the SOFA once the related goods or services have been delivered.

Gifts in Kind

Gifts In kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount actually realised. Gifts in kind for sale or distribution are included in the accounts as gifts only when sold or distributed by the charity. Gifts in kind for use by the charity are included in the SOFA as incoming resources when receivable.

Donated Services and Facilities

These are only included in incoming resources (with an equivalent amount in resources expended) where the benefit to the charity is reasonably quantifiable, measurable and material. The value placed on these resources is the estimated value to the charity of the service or facility received.

VINE EVANGELICAL CHURCH (SEVENOAKS) (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2019

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Income (continued)

Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the Trustees' annual report.

Expenses

Governance Costs

Include costs of the preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of the Trustees' meetings and cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.

Assets and Liabilities

Fixed Assets

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £500. They are valued at cost or, if gifted, at the value to the charity on receipt.

Depreciation is calculated at a rate to write off the cost of tangible fixed assets on a straight line basis over their estimated useful lives charged to the SOFA. The rates applied per annum are as follows:

Equipment Land & Building

Between 15% and 33% 2%

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

2. TANGIBLE FIXED	ASSETS	Church Bullding £	Motor Vehicle £	Equipment & Fittings £	TOTAL £
Cost	01-Jan-19	2,000	9,801	31,603	43,404
Additions		-	-	-	-
Disposais		-	(9,801)	-	(9,801)
Cost at	31-Dec-19	2,000	-	31,603	33,603
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Depreciation	01-Jan-19	1,920	9,801	29,872	41,593
Charge		40	-	1,193	1,233
Disposals		-	(9,801)	-	(9,801)
Depreciation at	31-Dec-19	1,960		31,065	33,025
Net Book Value	31-Dec-19	40	-	538	578
	31-Dec-18	80	-	1,731	1,811

The Church property was transferred to the ownership of Vine Evangelical Church (Sevenoaks) in July 2012 by the previous owners of Vine Hall Trust at depreciated historic cost. The property was originally acquired in 1971 for £2,000, resulting in depreciation over the subsequent 48 years of £1,920.

VINE EVANGELICAL CHURCH (SEVENOAKS) (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

3. INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2019 £	TOTAL 2018 £
a) Donations and Legacies					
Gift Aid Donations Non Gift Aid Donations Tax Reclaimed	69,010 32,570 16,828	- - -	1,096 1,205 274	70,106 33,775 17,102	65,821 63,652 15,709
	118,408		2,575	120,983	145,182
b) Charitable Activities					
Other Charitable Activities	566	-	-	566	625
	566			566	625
c) Trading Activities					
Premises Hire	12,078	-	-	12,078	11,710
	12,078			12,078_	11,710
d) Investments					
Interest	270	-	-	270	109
	270			270	109
4. EXPENDITURE ON:					
b) Charitable Activities					
Direct Charitable Costs Staff Costs Commended Workers VEC Fellowship Events Youth Ministry Professional Services Ministry Expenses Mothers & Others Outreach and Mission Grants Payable Support & Administration Administrative Expenses Utilities Insurance Depreciation Property & Equipment Building Works Other Governance Costs	59,470 - 3,467 1,152 801 3,559 702 3,044 4,027 4,997 1,232 20,667 - 913	11,030 - - - - - 13,630 - - - - - - - -	- - - - - - - 2,206 - - - - 1,000	59,470 11,030 3,467 1,152 801 3,559 702 13,630 2,206 3,044 4,027 4,997 1,232 21,667 - 913	59,016 7,313 995 2,716 1,305 3,205 - 10,416 1,777 2,842 3,433 4,997 3,528 9,700 3,215 55 900
20,2	104,031	24,660	3,206	131,897	115,413
	104,031	27,000	3,200	131/03/	110/710

VINE EVANGELICAL CHURCH (SEVENOAKS) (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

5. DESIGNATED AND RESTRICTED FUNDS

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	Balance 01-Jan-19	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance 31-Dec-19
	£	£	£	£	£
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	98,655	131,322	104,031	(22,796)	103,150
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DESIGNATED FUNDS					
Emergency Maintenance Fund	25,000	-	-	-	25,000
Building Works Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Mission Fund Other Mission Fund	11,101	-	- 24,660	- 22,796	- 9,237
Future Ministry Support Fund	60,000	-	24,000	-	60,000
Arthur Duke Scholarship Fund	5,000	-	-	-	5,000
	101,101	-	24,660	22,796	99,237
RESTRICTED FUNDS			4 000		
Buliding Works Donations for Ashburnham 2020	1,000	- 369	1,000	-	- 369
Tear Fund	-	1,306	1,306	_	-
Mission Support	-	900	900	-	-
	1,000	2,575	3,206	<u>.</u>	369
TOTALS	200,756	133,897	131,897		202,756
6. CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND		Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Total 31-Dec-19 £	Total 31-Dec-18 £
Current Account Deposit Account		20,160 180,972	369 -	20,529 180,972	45,569 150,701
		201,132	369	201,501	196,270

VINE EVANGELICAL CHURCH (SEVENOAKS) (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

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71 SESTONG AND FINE ATTENDED	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 31-Dec-19 £	Total 31-Dec-18 £
Accrued Income: Gift Ald tax	3,248	-	3,248	3,575
Prepayments	1,132	_	1,132	-
Staff Loan	2,600	-	2,600	-
	6,980	<u> </u>	6,980	3,575
8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITH	IN ONE YEAR			
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	Fund	Fund	31-Dec-19	31-Dec-18
	£	£	£	£
Independent Examiners Fees	900	-	900	900
Prepaid income	5,403	-	5,403	-
	6,303		6,303	900

9. STAFF COSTS AND NUMBERS

The charity runs a PAYE scheme, as detailed below: Gross Salaries Employer's National Insurance Costs Employer's Pension Contributions Employer's Allowance Other Staff Costs (Rent and Rates) Payroll Expenses	2019 £ 30,630 2,294 2,792 (2,209) 25,424 539	2018 £ 36,539 3,600 4,200 (3,583) 17,747 513
	59,470	59,016
Employees were engaged in the following activities:	2019 TOTAL	2018 TOTAL
Activities in furtherance of organisation's objects	1.5	1.5

No employees received emoluments in the range of £50,000 to £60,000.

10. DIRECTORS AND OTHER RELATED PARTIES

One of the directors is also a director of Sevenoaks Area Youth Trust, to whom the church made donations during the year totalling £1,855. This is included in Outreach & Mission in Note 4.

Another director is also a director of Sevenoaks Christian Counselling Service, to whom the church made donations during the year totalling £2,335. This is also included in Outreach & Mission in Note 4. He is also treasurer (but not a director) of Sevenoaks Area Youth Trust.

A third director and his spouse are employees (but not directors) of ReachAcross (UK), to whom the church made donations during the year totalling £4,280 which is included in Commended Workers in Note 4. Until 1 November 2019 he was also a director of ReachAcross International, a charity connected to ReachAcross (UK).

Other than this, no payments were made to directors or any persons connected with them during this financial period. No material transaction took place between the organisation and a director or any person connected with them.

During the year, trustees and related persons made donations to the charity totalling £16,717 (2018: £18,800).

VINE EVANGELICAL CHURCH (SEVENOAKS) (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

11. RISK ASSESSMENT

The directors actively review the major risks which the charity faces on a regular basis and believe that maintaining the free reserves stated, combined with the annual review of the controls over key financial systems carried out on an annual basis will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The directors have also examined other operational and business risks which they face and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks.

12. RESERVES POLICY

The directors have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the charity's needs. This is based on the charity's size and the level of financial commitments held. The directors aim to ensure the charity will be able to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives even if there is a temporary shortfall in income or unexpected expenditure. The directors will endeavour not to set aside funds unnecessarily.

13. PUBLIC BENEFIT

The charity acknowledges its requirement to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes or 'aims' that are for the public benefit. Details of how the charity has achieved this are provided in the report of the directors. The directors confirm that they have paid due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit before deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

VINE EVANGELICAL CHURCH (SEVENOAKS) (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2019.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

As the charity's trustees of the Company (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law), you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ("the 2006 Act").

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited for this year under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for Independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charitles Act 2011 ("the 2011 Act"). In carrying out my examination, I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- · the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

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

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Date: 27th April 2020