



CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name

Kings Arms Torquay Trust

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31st December 2019

**Charity no
(if any)**

1078726

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2019

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 Trust'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 (~~other than that disclosed below *~~) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

22/10/2020

Name:

Ian Barrett

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

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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Kings Arms Torquay Trust

No (if any)
1078726

Receipts and payments accounts

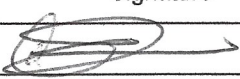
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For the period from	Period start date 01/01/2019	To	Period end date 31/12/2019
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
General Giving	75,442	34,167	-	109,609	37,241
Other Income	28,651	-	-	28,651	1,228
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	104,093	34,167	-	138,260	38,469
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	104,093	34,167	-	138,260	38,469
A3 Payments					
Children's work	377	-	-	377	136
Youth work	1,913	-	-	1,913	38
Ministry	2,071	-	-	2,071	2,495
Worship	52	-	-	52	197
Family fund	427	-	-	427	1,458
Giving	13,185	-	-	13,185	5,996
Insurance/Licence/Examination/CRB	1,295	-	-	1,295	2,064
Meeting places	13,420	-	-	13,420	12,321
Office administration	1,775	-	-	1,775	1,629
Conference & training	3,016	-	-	3,016	978
Outreach	934	-	-	934	1,390
Staff costs	37,426	-	-	37,426	6,758
other costs	-	-	-	-	602
Westpoint	-	-	-	-	-
Building purchase	-	1,500	-	1,500	-
Sub total	75,891	1,500	-	77,391	36,062
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	75,891	1,500	-	77,391	36,062
Net of receipts/(payments)	28,202	32,667	-	60,869	2,407
A5 Transfers between funds	-	178	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	5,485	-	-	5,307	2,900
Cash funds this year end	33,509	32,667	-	66,176	5,307

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current account	29,487	32,667	-
	Business Premium account	4,022	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	33,509	32,667	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Office Equipment	General	2,429	-
	PA / Audio Visual	General	6,630	-
	Sundry assets	General	940	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
			Timothy Steer	21/10/2020



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

		Period start date		Period end date	
	1st	January	2019	31st	December 2019
From				To	

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	The Kings Arms Torquay Trust
Other names charity is known by	Kings Arms Church, Together Church
Registered charity number (if any)	1078726
Charity's principal address	Kings Arms Church office Bosuns Cottage, 2 Park Lane Torquay, Devon Postcode TQ2 7NP

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Timothy Steer	Chair of Trustees		
2	Joseph Mark Farrin	Trustee		
3	Penny Lister (nee Yeo)	Trustee		
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Trust Deed
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Trust
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by Trustees with input from Church leadership

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

With our previous pastor having left towards the end of 2017, the Trustees began the new year welcoming our new Pastor and Lead Elder, Peter Clayton. Pete had been through a long period of introduction to the church membership and to the Trustees, and with support and prayer from the senior leadership among the Commission group of churches was appointed to begin working for the church on 1st January 2019.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The Kings Arms Church began in 1998 with a passion to make an impact for Jesus in the Torbay Community. We have developed today into a group of people of all ages, meeting in Torquay, who are seeking to live out the Christian life in a way that please God, reflects the teaching of the Bible and is relevant to modern life. We are confident about the future of the church, believing God is growing and changing us in ways that please him and will bring praise to him. We are a New frontiers "Commission" sphere church, a growing family of over 850 churches in 60 nations.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Sunday Mornings

Usually we begin our meetings with songs that reflect our relationship with God. We love God passionately and are deeply grateful to him for all he has done for us. Between songs, various people are welcome to pray or read from the Bible as appropriate.

Someone will then teach from a part of the Bible. We are eager to learn what God says to us in the Bible and to know how to live it out. Our preaching is therefore intended to explain what the Bible passage means and to show the impact it has on our lives in the 21st century.

Our morning concludes with tea and coffee. This is an equally important part of our morning, when there is time to catch up with one another, develop friendships and pray with one another.

We also have one morning a month when we begin early so that we can share breakfast together – another opportunity for fellowship.

Life Groups

Church is about more than Sunday mornings, and so we also have smaller groups that meet during the week, which focus on being a church family as well as continuing our journey of loving God. Our small groups are called 'Life Groups' because in them we aim to be enjoying life with God, sharing life with one another and offering new life to our friends. Whether we have been Christians for decades or just for days, we all need the help of others if we are to become what God is calling us to be. Life groups are a forum to make friends, express care for one another and to worship God together and learn how to follow him more closely. They also provide an opportunity for people to serve, and learn how to participate in meetings. Life Groups each have an appointed leader(s) but the intention is that everyone will play a part in the life and activities of the group. Life Groups are vitally important in the life of the Kings Arms Church and the development and support of all church members. Our Life Groups meet in homes, typically once a week, in various locations in Torbay. Life Group members also get together at other times when group events are organised, like our monthly 'Encounter' evenings which are whole-church prayer and worship events, or informally to spend time together.

Children and Young People

We are committed to providing the very best care and attention to our children (which includes operating a full Child Protection Policy). Our aim is to provide a fun, friendly context in which they can learn about the relevance God has to their lives.

Creche – 'Launchpad'

A crèche is available for pre-school children from 11am every Sunday. The children who attend the crèche can enjoy a range of activities, from craft and painting to playing with their favourite toys.

Primary school age – 'Powerhouse'

Powerhouse is a fun Sunday morning club for primary school-aged children, run by a dedicated team who plan an action-filled session including worship, drama and fun games.

Secondary school age – 'Oxygen'

Oxygen is our group for young people who attend secondary school. We offer a variety of fun activities and games mixed with worship, teaching and advice.

In the Community

Kings Arms Church is committed to making a difference in our community. We support a range of projects including;

LINX

LiNX Christian Youth Trust is an exciting initiative in Torbay representing a commitment from a variety of local churches to serve young people, particularly in the context of local secondary schools. In Torbay it seeks to support the development of the whole young person – physically, mentally, emotionally, spiritually and socially. Under the management of Trustees, church leaders and educationalists, LiNX seeks to make personnel and resources available to local schools.

Peaced Together

Some of the church members have been involved with leading this specialist support group, which receives referrals from the local council to provide creative arts session along with discussion and personal development. At this stage the Trustees did not want it to be a church ministry specifically, but we are committed to supporting our members in their involvement,

Prison visiting and Prison Alpha

In the course of the year Pete Clayton has been making connections with the Chaplaincy team at the local prison and is developing a team to lead and run an Alpha course there in the near future.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

Public Benefit

The Trustees are mindful of the Charity Commission's guidance on Public Benefit and have taken account it when making decisions. The trustees believe that all of the activities detailed above comply with this guidance, in that no discrimination is made against any individual or organisation.

The Trustees have also endeavoured to follow the Charity Commission guidelines on having a reserve to cover three months' running costs, and have attempted during the previous year without a full-time paid staff member to establish some savings to that end.

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

1: Advance the Christian faith

The Kings Arms Church has met together regularly in various settings for worship, prayer and friendship. We have also hosted a variety of events to which guests have been invited, including guest services, social events and a Carol Service.

We have held regular activities for the children and young people in the church.

The church membership were invited to attend a Commission event at Westpoint in Exeter, as an opportunity for teaching and worship.

Members of our *Oxygen* youth group were also supported in attending Newday, a major Christian youth event in Norfolk.

As a result of these activities we have seen a number of people, of all ages, come to faith in Jesus Christ. Existing church member have developed both their faith and support for one another.

2: Relief and Support

Church members have supported one another through a variety of difficult or challenging life situations. We have supported some friends from a church in Capetown and developed our ongoing relationship with the church there.

3. Appointing a new pastor

The role of pastor of the church is a hugely significant and very relational one, and both the Trustees and the wider church membership invested time and energy in making sure the new appointee was the right person for the role. This took the form of several interviews, some informal visits to the church and discussion with the wider leadership of the Commission group of churches. The Trustees agreed unanimously to offer the post to Peter Clayton at their Extraordinary Meeting on 15th July 2018.

Pete joined the church towards the end of 2018 and began working full-time for the church as Pastor and Lead Elder. He has since begun several new initiatives including Prison work and preparing for a new Alpha course. At this stage there are no plans to make changes to the Trustees or leadership team unless we feel prompted to do so.

4. Acquiring a permanent building

Since its inception in Torquay the church has never owned a building or permanent space, though we had rented office space for some years.

Pete Clayton and the Trustees felt this would be a significant focus of work and prayer for the immediate future. Despite it being a topic of interest for several years prior, there had never been a suitable space available.

Through the course of the year, Pete identified the Echo Building in St James Road, Torquay as a possible site for us. The local council was divesting itself of the site and were working with a local community interest group (the Upton and Torre Partnership) to find an appropriate local use for the building rather than sell the site for development.

Following a business proposal by Pete, the council agreed to offer the site to the church for purchase for £30,000. This was a very large sum relative to the income of the church but we felt called by God to pursue this opportunity and held a gift day among the church membership. This raised a considerable proportion of the required sum and so the church agreed to purchase the Echo Building from Torbay Council. The sale will not be completed in the course of this year, but the Church will of course be planning for all the associated costs of the purchase and fitting of a new building site.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

It is Kings Arms Church policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds (if possible) which equates to at least three months' unrestricted payments to cover emergency situations which arise from time to time. At year's end, this had been achieved, largely as a result of not paying for a full-time staff member over the period.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The principal source of income for the Kings Arms Church is from its members, who give as they feel appropriate. We may also receive contributions from other sources, for example a gratuity from another church if one of our team has preached there.

In this year we held a major Gift Day event, for the specific purpose of raising funds for the purchase of a new building. This event raised a large proportion of the building's costs, which otherwise would have remained beyond the church's reach. However, in accordance with the church's beliefs and principles about generous giving, we have agreed with the church membership to give 10% of the sum raised to the work of other churches or charities whose goals align with our own.

Section F

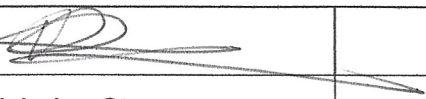
Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	Tim Steer	
Full name(s)	Timothy Nicholas Steer	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair of Trustees	
Date	21/10/2020	