

Choice Words CIO Charity No 1163536

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31st January 2020

Objectives and Activities

The purpose of Choice Words CIO as detailed in its constitution is:

To run the Christian bookshop, Choice Words, in the South West of England. The CIO aims to further the Christian religion and the beneficiaries of the CIO will be those purchasing and accessing Christian books and associated resources – and these can be individuals, churches, schools and other organisations. Customers include pastors, church leaders, bible students, missionaries, youth workers and the general public. The main retail outlet is in Newton Abbot, Devon, with other outlets across South Devon including book agents and bookstalls located in churches and also a café and a conference centre. The CIO will also provide bookstalls at conferences, exhibitions, festivals and other community events.

At the date of this report, the CIO has not fully taken over the operation of Choice Words. However, acting on the previous public statement confirming the intention of the CIO to take over the day to day running of operations, the trustees have been actively leading the development and implementation of fundraising plans to make this happen.

As part of this process, a section of the Newton Abbot shop is now dedicated to second hand book sales, the proceeds of which all now go directly to the CIO. The trustees also launched a new Friends of Choice Words scheme in October 2019 where customers and supporters are invited to join as Friends and pay an annual or monthly membership subscription to do so, supporting the charity and accessing specific member benefits at the same time. A new Choice Words CIO website was launched at the same time as the new Friends scheme at an evening invitational event at St Paul's Church, Newton Abbot, Devon on 11th October 2019. Since this time, ongoing communications with the Friends and also communications via Choice Words' Facebook page have all been aimed at raising the profile of Choice Words CIO and raising people's awareness of the charity's mission and vision.

Structure, Governance and Management

The charity is established by constitution as a Foundation CIO which was registered with the Charity Commission in England and Wales on 14th September 2015.

The trustees have met together three times during the year.

The trustees who have served during the year and up to the date of this report are:

Nigel Brittle – Chair

Edel Brittle

Roy Brittle

Pamela Brittle

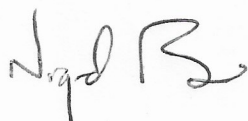
Anne Landricombe

Fraser Nute

Ian Barrett – resigned May 2020

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

Nigel Brittle



20th November 2020

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Receipts and Payments Account for the Year Ended 31st January 2020

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Income	£	£
Donations	4,590	2,617
 Expenditure	 60	 60
 Net Income	 4,530	 2,557
 Bank balance at beginning of year	 <u>6,305</u>	 <u>3,748</u>
Bank balance at end of year	<u>10,835</u>	<u>6,305</u>

Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31st January 2020

Cash at bank	<u>10,835</u>	<u>6,305</u>
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Note

The trustees confirm, in accordance with the Charitable Incorporated Organisations (General) Regulations 2012, that at the year end the CIO did not have any outstanding guarantees to third parties nor any debts secured on the assets of the CIO.

Approved by the Trustees on 20th November 2020

And signed on their behalf by Nigel Brittle

