

**St John's Congregational Church,  
Thornton Heath**

**Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts**  
for the year ended 31 March 2019

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Bensham Manor Road, Thornton Heath, Surrey CR7 7AG  
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**Trustees**

The charity trustees who manage the charity were as follows, for the whole of the year:

Mrs Beatrice Mary Jarman, Church Secretary  
Mr Philip Gilbert Channon  
Mrs Gloria Lulalee Day  
Mr John Desmond Glenney  
Miss Sonja Elaine Reid  
Mrs Auleen Peta Timms  
Mrs Etta Wagstaffe

The custodian trustee for the charity is The EFCC Trust Corporation Limited.

The church's minister is the Reverend William Edward Calder.

**Structure, governance and management**

The charity is constituted as a charitable trust. Its governing document is the trust deed.

All trustees are appointed by the church members at the general meeting.

**Objectives and activities**

The objects of the charity set out in its governing document are to proclaim the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ and to build his church in our community.

We are a church affiliated to the Evangelical Fellowship of Congregational Churches, working in the community of Thornton Heath with activities such as youth work and pastoral care.

The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

**Achievements and performance**

During the year, the church has been meeting the spiritual needs of the people of Thornton Heath through declaring the gospel, as well as providing practical help and support.

**Financial review**

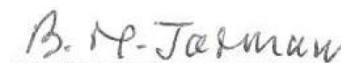
The church recorded net receipts exceeding £2,000 in the year ended March 2019, bringing reserves to over £89,000.

This includes a restricted fund of £575 for the Junior Church.

The charity aims to hold financial reserves sufficient to cover foreseeable repairs that may be required on its premises. The trustees consider that the current level of reserves is adequate for this purpose. The church has achieved an increase in rental income in the year, with the signing of a new lease on the nursery. It is now sending regular financial support to another congregation.

**Declaration**

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

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "B. M. Jarman". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Mary Jarman  
Church Secretary

Date: 17 November 2019

**Independent Examiner's Report  
To the trustees of St John's Congregational Church**

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

The Charity Commission's guidance states that the accounts should include cash received before the end of the year, even if it is only banked in the following year. A collection was taken on 31 March 2019, but this was not counted separately and was only banked in April. As the amount of that collection cannot be determined, it is not included in the 2019 accounts; it will instead be included in the 2020 accounts.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no other material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which give 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.



Neville Reid ACA  
19 Mills Grove, London E14 0RH

17 November 2019

**St John's Congregational Church**  
**Accounts for the period 1 April 2018 to 31 March 2019**

**Receipts and Payments Account**

	<b>Unrestricted funds £</b>	<b>Restricted funds £</b>	<b>Total funds £</b>	<b>Last year £</b>
<b>Receipts:</b>				
Offerings & donations (inc Gift Aid)	18,906	-	18,906	19,691
Rent received	36,408	-	36,408	29,400
Legacies	4,000	-	4,000	500
Interest received	130	-	130	131
Pension credit from EFCC	960	-	960	800
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>60,404</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>60,404</b>	<b>50,522</b>
<b>Payments:</b>				
Local ministry costs	32,386	-	32,386	30,852
Gas & electricity	5,060	-	5,060	4,509
Insurance	5,899	-	5,899	5,557
Repairs	2,608	-	2,608	4,880
Donations	499	-	499	515
Telephone	-	-	-	-
Water	124	-	124	181
Legal & professional fees	8,563	-	8,563	-
Property management fees	2,455	-	2,455	2,678
Miscellaneous payments	438	-	438	248
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>58,032</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>58,032</b>	<b>49,420</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>2,372</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,372</b>	<b>1,102</b>
<b>Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>86,334</b>	<b>575</b>	<b>86,909</b>	<b>85,807</b>
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**Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period**

	<b>Unrestricted funds £</b>	<b>Restricted funds £</b>	<b>Total funds 2019 £</b>	<b>Total funds 2018 £</b>
<b>Cash funds:</b>				
HSBC Bank	33,126	575	33,701	31,334
HSBC Money Market Account	49,999	-	49,999	49,999
Nationwide Building Society	5,581	-	5,581	5,576
<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>88,706</b>	<b>575</b>	<b>89,281</b>	<b>86,909</b>

**Assets retained for the charity's own use:**

	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Current value £</b>
Church and hall	Unrestricted	6,749,499
Manse	Unrestricted	223,818

The values shown are the insured value of the buildings, excluding land.

**Signed on behalf of the trustees:**

*B. M. Jarman*

Mary Jarman  
Church Secretary

Date of approval:

17 November 2019