St John's Congregational Church, Thornton Heath

Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2020

St John's Congregational Church Bensham Manor Road, Thornton Heath, Surrey CR7 7AG Registered charity number 235521

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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

Beatrice Mary Jarman passed away on 7 May 2020. The church is thankful to God for her long service.

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 of nearly £10,000 in the year ended March 2020, bringing reserves to over £99,000.

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 is continuing to send regular financial support to another congregation.

Declaration

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

Sonja Reid

Sonja Reid Trustee

Date: 11 December 2020

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 2020.

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

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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

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11 December 2020

St John's Congregational Church Accounts for the period 1 April 2019 to 31 March 2020

Receipts and Payments Account

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds	Last year £
Receipts:				
Offerings & donations (inc Gift Aid)	18,407	-	18,407	18,906
Rent received	35,630	-	35,630	36,408
Legacies	5,000	-	5,000	4,000
Gift Aid tax refund	520	-	520	<i>,</i> –
Interest received	538	-	538	130
Pension credit from EFCC	960	-	960	960
Total receipts	61,055	-	61,055	60,404
Payments:				
Local ministry costs	31,790	-	31,790	32,386
Gas & electricity	5,603	-	5,603	5,060
Insurance	6,545	-	6,545	5,899
Repairs	3,201	-	3,201	2,608
Donations	840	-	840	499
Water	206	-	206	124
Legal & professional fees	400	-	400	8,563
Property management fees	2,232	-	2,232	2,455
Miscellaneous payments	499	-	499	438
Total payments	51,316	-	51,316	58,032
Net of receipts/(payments)	9,739	-	9,739	2,372
Cash funds last year end	88,706	575	89,281	86,909
Cash funds this year end	98,445	575	99,020	89,281

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Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2020 £	Total funds 2019 £
Cash funds:				
HSBC Bank	37,858	575	38,433	33,701
HSBC Money Market Account	49,999	-	49,999	49,999
Nationwide Building Society	10,588	-	10,588	5,581
Total cash funds	98,445	575	99,020	89,281

Assets retained for the charity's own use:

	Fund to which asset belongs	Current value	
		£	
Church, church hall and Hadland Hall	Unrestricted	7,878,040	
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The values shown are the insured value of the buildings, excluding land.

Signed on behalf of the trustees: Sovja Reid

Sonja Reid Trustee

Date of approval: 11 December 2020