



# Charlton & Blackheath Christian Fellowship Trust

*Releasing people to be the people God created them to be*

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## Report of the work of the Trust for 2019-20

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ending 31 March 2020. The accounts have been prepared as Receipts and Payments accounts allowed under section 133 of the Charities Act 2011. The charity is an unincorporated society and has an income of less than £250,000.

### Objects and Aims

The object of the Trust (as laid down in its governing document of 1989) is the promotion of the Christian Faith for the public benefit. The Trust's aims for the year were planned having regard for the Charity Commissioners guidance on public benefit and the specific guidance on the advancement of religion. The aims were:

- To continue and develop the work of Charlton & Blackheath Christian Fellowship in helping people to live out their faith, through worship, prayer Bible teaching and growing in their faith in Jesus and also in the provision of pastoral care.
- To support the wider work of the church both at home and abroad
- To work with other local churches to serve the local community and provide assistance for needy people in the community

### Achievement and Performance

#### Charitable activities

The trust continued to help support Steve Gurnett as a full-time Evangelist and London Director with OAC GB (Open Air Campaigners) and also to recognise his work as a leader in the Fellowship.

The trust supports the regular weekly programme of services and group meetings at Charlton and Blackheath Christian Fellowship and cooperative work with other local churches and local projects. During the year the trust has continued to financially support a number of projects both local and further afield:

2nd West Kent Boys' Brigade Company (to support its work amongst young people)  
Children's Society  
Churches in Communities ( Church Network)  
Greenwich Foodbank  
Greenwich Street Pastors  
Greenwich Winter Night Shelter (to support its work among rough sleepers)  
Greenwich Youth for Christ (to support its work with young people)  
Iris Mission (working with the poor in Fortaleza, Brazil)  
River Network (A church group to which CBCF subscribes)

A number of individuals in needy circumstances were also supported financially by the Trust. The Trust continues with the day to day work of the Fellowship including a variety of work with children and young people, home groups and special interest groups. The Fellowship is affiliated to the Evangelical Alliance, Churches in Communities International, Churches Together in England and River Network.



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## Financial Review

The Total income for the year was £39,053 (2018-19: £36,505) and total expenditure for the year was £29,755 (2018-19: £28,015). Total assets are Cash: £75,227, including £229 restricted, (2018-1: £63,812) with other assets valued at £190 (2018-119: £574)

The trust reported a gain of £9384 for the year.

The trusts principal funding sources remain voluntary giving by the Fellowship congregation.

At the 31 March 2019 the trust's reserves were £74,998 plus £229 in a restricted fund (2018-19: £64,008).

It is the policy of the Trustees to hold reserves at least equal to the annual running costs of the charity and to allow for any unusual expenditure that may arise.

## Covid 19

From 22 March CBCF decided to suspend meetings at the Boys' Brigade Hall and present a recorded video service each Sunday. In view of the serious loss of income that this would cause the Boys' Brigade Hall it was agreed to continue to pay a retainer donation of half the usual rent. The Leadership team began to provide a daily devotional by email to all church members and team meetings were moved on to the Zoom platform.

## Risk Management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure that appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error. Regular reviews are carried out and systems are in place to mitigate those risks.

## Structure, Governance and Management

The Trust was made by deed dated 30 March 1989, Charity Registration No: 801409. The trustees are appointed by the Settlor up to a maximum of eight. The trustees for 2018-2019 remained:

M. Leader (Chairman and Settlor)  
D. Wilson (Secretary and Treasurer)  
J. Culmer (from 23 April 2020)  
K. Gurnett (retired 23 April 2020)  
D. Hubbard  
S. Redford  
T. Tinlin

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Mike Leader (Settlor and Chair of Trustees)  
30 December 2020

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF  
CHARLTON AND BLACKHEATH CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP TRUST  
CHARITY NO 801409**

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ending 31 March 2020.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner.**

The Charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 145 of the 2011 Act );
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's report.**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent examiner's statement.**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: Elizabeth Osborn

Date: 30 December 2020

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**Charlton & Blackheath Christian Fellowship Trust**

Charity No 801409

**ANNUAL REPORT TO THE CHARITY COMMISSION**

**RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT: Year to 31 March 2020**

	£ Unrestricted Funds	£ Restricted Funds	£ Total Funds	£ 2018/19
Receipts	39,053	0	39,053	32,322
Payments	29,670	85	29,755	33,662
<i>Net of Receipts (Payments)</i>	9,384	-85	9,299	
<i>Cash funds last year end</i>	-1,340	-117	-1,457	
<i>Cash funds this year end</i>	8,044	0	8,044	

**Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period**

	£ Unrestricted Funds	£ Restricted Funds	£ Total Funds	£ 2018/19
Cash Funds	74,998	229	75,227	63,812
Assets retained for charity's own use	190			574.00