# Sutton Coldfield Christadelphian Ecclesia Trustees Annual Report For Financial Year Ending December 2020

#### Section A Reference and Administration Details

Charity Name Sutton Coldfield Christadelphian Ecclesia

Registered Charity Number 1180434

Charity's Principal Address Trinity Hill, Sutton Coldfield, B72 1TA

Names of the Trustees for the year: -

R B Newman (Secretary)

T D Austin

E C Brown

J Newman

R Newman

J T Plumb

D C Wright

#### Section B Structure, Governance and Management

Type of governing document Constitution which is our governing document including practices and

procedures as well as additional provisions required by the Charity Commission. This was adopted September 2018 following a

ballot of members

How the charity is constituted Unincorporated association

Trustee selection method Annual appointment by secret ballot of the

charity members

Additional information

The trustees form an arranging committee responsible for the activities of the ecclesia.

They are chosen by nomination from members of the ecclesia and are familiar with the objectives and activities of the

ecclesia

#### Section C Objectives and Activities

#### The objects of the Charity:

To advance Bible-based Christian faith to the glory of God and the honour of Jesus Christ in accordance with the Christadelphian Birmingham Amended Statement of Faith (BASF) for the benefit of the Christadelphian community and members of the public, particularly in and around Sutton Coldfield and district.

#### The activities

Activities undertaken to meet the objects include but are not limited to: -

- Holding meetings, open to the public, for worship, prayer, breaking of bread by Christadelphians and Bible study and teaching.
- Engaging with the local public through personal preaching and/or by invitations to preaching / teaching meetings and/or by other means, including the provision of Sunday school and/or youth club(s) and/or other occasional activities.
- Engaging with the wider Christadelphian community and wider public through periodic donations to charitable needs, including donations for; Meal a Day, World Disasters, Samaritan Fund, Christadelphian Care Homes.
- Serving, to the extent feasible, the pastoral and other welfare needs of ecclesial members and others.

All our activities are open to all. No fee is charged, and no-one receives private benefits from the charity other than as a legitimate beneficiary. There is no public detriment in any of our activities.

#### Section D Achievements and Performance

Our ecclesia ended the year with a membership of 105 adults. The average attendance of members at services and other activities remained steady.

Due to the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic our collective fellowship and preaching activities have been severely curtailed. The majority of meetings and activities were moved online for most of the year from mid-March onwards.

Summary of regular weekly activities using our hall / online: -

- Regular meetings on Sunday, for sharing bread and wine
- Bible Study Class meets regularly on Tuesday
- Activities for young people include Sunday School, Youth Circle and Discussion Classes
- During lockdown we have held additional regular online meetings for members, particularly our older members who would otherwise be isolated, to stay in touch and maintain their spiritual focus, including;
  - o 3 times weekly fellowship sessions
  - o For Bible readings and discussion
  - o For Bible studies

Summary of one off and irregular activities held online: -

- We hosted an online Family Fraternal in May
- We produced and advertised a small series of online preaching talks made available on YouTube
- We produced a Christmas presentation in December

#### Other activities: -

- Our members made regular contributions to the "Living Faith" column in the Sutton Observer during the year
- We are providing support to refugees from Iran, some of whom are attending our services
- We hold regular collections of food and other essential items for donation to our members and a local public food bank

#### Section E Financial Review

The cash movements and balances are summarised in the receipts and payments accounts and statement of balances below. In addition, details are given of the financial support given to good causes, both by specific donations to restricted funds and as grants from the unrestricted General Fund.

The reserves policy of the ecclesia is to hold £10000 (originally part of the General Fund balance) in an unrestricted General Reserve fund to meet any financial emergency as determined by the trustees. All funds are held in instant access bank accounts. The balance in these funds at the end of the year was considered sufficient to meet the ongoing expenses of the ecclesia.

Contributions from members are made through the weekly bag collections (when meeting at our hall) and regular monthly donations, with taxpayers encouraged to use the Gift Aid provision. Funds donated specifically for external charities or organisations are normally forwarded to the relevant body within three months of the donations being received. We do not seek to raise funds from members of the public.

Welfare financial support to our members is managed confidentially by a sub-committee based upon need on a case-by-case basis. Grants made by this sub-committee are taken from the welfare fund. Grants above a certain threshold value require the approval of the trustees (the arranging brothers).

All financial decisions and activity is subject to the acceptance and approval of the members, normally given at a quarterly business meeting of the ecclesia.

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rear Ended 31St December 2020	Total	SCCE Restricted						Total						
	Total	Total Unrestricted Funds Restricted Funds					Appeal Funds	Funds 2019						
	Funds	SCCE	General Fund	Reserve	Building	CYC	Camp	Minibus	Preaching	Sunday School	Welfare	Youth Weekend		
RECEIPTS												- TOOMSING		
Weekly and other non-GA collections Monthly contributions and one-off donations Gift aided General Fund appeal donations	1,198 21,561 3,800	668 15,202 3,800	487 10,872 3,800		59 821	15 268	0 196	11 224	40 1,002	25 450	30 1,303	66	531 6,359	6,859 16,954
Non gift aided collections and donations Gift aid recovered on donations (2015/6/7) Flat rental income Grants from other sources	11,719 19,687 5,266	10,549 13,178 5,266	4,652 5,274	1,500	88 737	11 263	2 183	11 3,534	134 913	18 310	5,628 437 5,266	27	1,170 6,509	4,014 5,151 2,400 3,745
Bank interest  Total External Receipts	10 <b>63,241</b>	10	10 <b>25,095</b>	1,500	1,706	557	382	3,779	2,090	803	12,663		14,569	14 39,136
Transfers into funds  Total Receipts (Inc Transfers)	4,935 68,176	4,935 53,607	25,095	3,918 5,418	1,706	557	382	1,017 4,797	2,090	803	12,663	97	14,569	2,974 42,111
Total Necepts (Inc Transfers)	00,170	33,007	23,033	3,410	1,700	337	302	4,737	2,030	003	12,000	31	14,503	72,111
PAYMENTS  Donations to beneficiaries * Donations to other causes Food parcels/Foodbank Other welfare expenses Major building work CYC expenses Camp expenses	5,794 15,772 547 133	5,794 1,100 985 547	1,100			133					5,794 985 547		14,672	8,186 14,490 1,763 448 456
Minibus Expenses Preaching expenses Sunday school expenses Youth weekend expenses	1,359 686 212	1,359 686 212						1,359	686	212				1,754 163 793
Utilities Repairs and maintenance Flat Utilities Insurance Technology Speakers' Expenses Activities Cleaning Secretarial, Postage, Printing Subscriptions/Magazines Equipment Wine Consumables	3,048 2,061 1,890 1,298 1,139 518 465 420 402 257 242 36 22	3,048 2,061 1,890 1,298 1,139 518 465 420 402 257 242 36 22	3,048 2,061 1,890 1,298 1,139 518 465 420 402 257 242 366 22											3,323 2,162 680 1,229 576 1,842 640 402 124 525 559 128
Baptismal Hymnbooks Bank Charges Sundries	540 176	540 176	540 176											7 265
Total Payments to External Transfers from funds	<b>38,001</b> 4,935	<b>23,329</b> 4,935	<b>13,613</b> 1,017	3,918		133		1,359	686	212	7,325		14,672	<b>40,515</b> 2,974
Total Payments (Inc Transfers)	42,936	28,264	14,630	3,918		133		1,359	686	212	7,325		14,672	43,489
* See next page for detail						l				ı				<u> </u>
Balances Opening Balances 1 Jan 2020 External Receipts Net Transfers between Funds Less Payments to External	25,773 63,241 0 38,001	25,221 48,672 0 23,329	381 25,095 (1,017) 13,613	8,500 1,500 0	10,236 1,706 0	557 0	575 382 0 0	0 3,779 1,017 1,359	2,921 2,090 0 686	852 803 0 212	895 12,663 0 7,325	97 0	552 14,569 0 14,672	27,152 39,136 0 40,515
Closing balances 31st Dec 2020	51,013	50,564	10,846	10,000	11,942	1,152	956	3,438	4,324	1,444	6,233	229	450	25,773
Plus Unallocated Cash Received Closing Total Funds Balance	51, <b>013</b>													44 25,817
Bank Accounts as at 31st Dec 2020 Lloyds Current Lloyds Deposit Shawbrook (CAF) Deposit Cash in Hand	1,516 47,859 1,500 138													269 25,302 0 245
Total Funds	51,013													25,817

From donations to and collections for Appeal Funds	£	£
Christadelpian Benevolent Fund (CBF) Christadelphian Care Homes (CCH) Christadelphian Auxiliary Lecturing Society (CALS) Christadelphian Bible Mission - General Fund (CBMG) Christadelphian Bible Mission - Welfare Fund (CBMW) Christadelphian Isolation League Christadelphian Meal a Day Fund (MaD) Christadelphian Samaritan Fund Solihull Bible Leaning Centre (SBLC) World Disasters (DEC Cyclone Appeal) Sundries	436 2,127 895 2,470 2,127 454 3,781 1,315 146 760 160	369 2,032 787 2,189 1,655 216 3,469 873 162 427 63
Total	14,672	12,240

Grants from the General Fund	£	£
Outstanding from 2018		
Liverpool Christadelphians Iranian Members Support		300
Kings Heath Christadelphians Building Appeal		200
Christadelphian UK Youth Conference Funding Appeal		50
Kalilangdan Christadelphians Building Appeal		100
Shelburne Christadelphians Building Appeal		100
Sutton Baptists Funding Appeal for Defibrilator		100
New Grants in Current Year		
Sutton Baptists Funding Support	300	300
Peasdown Christadelphians Closedown Donation		100
Solihull BLC Funding Support	800	600
Brecon Youth Weekend Funding Support		100
Christadelphian Military Service Committee Funding Support		100
Christadelphian Bartimeus Fund Funding Appeal		100
Kalundara Christadelphians Building Appeal		100
Total	1,100	2,250



## Independent examiner's report on the accounts

#### **Section A**

#### **Independent Examiner's Report**

Report to the trustees/ members of Sutton Coldfield Christadelphian Ecclesia

On accounts for the year ended

31st December 2020 Charity no (if any)

Set out on pages

As set out in separate report entitled 'Ind\_Exam\_2020\_SCCE\_Accounts'

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 / 12 / 2020.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 all 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 gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act: or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:	AAS	Date:	17/02/2021
Name:	Mark R Jones		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):			
Address:	33 Grosvenor Close, Four Oaks,		

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# Section B **Disclosure** Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners). N/A Give here brief details of None any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.



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