

Living Out

Charity Number: 1165572

Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2022

Reference & Administration Details

Charity name: Living Out

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Charity's operating address: The Emmanuel Meeting House
Lewins Mead, Bristol,
Postcode BS1 2NN

Names of the Charity Trustees who Manage the Charity

<i>Trustee Name</i>	<i>Office</i>
1: Gabrielle Doherty (17 January 2022)	
2: Rosemary Dunn	
3: Helen Lamb	
4: Ed Shaw	Chair
5: Keith Sinclair	

Description of the Charity's Trusts

Type of Governing Document: Constitution

How the Charity is Constituted: Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Trustee Selection Methods: Every trustee must be appointed by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees. Living Out trustees must indicate their adherence to the Living Out statement of beliefs.

Objectives

For the public benefit, the advancement of the evangelical Christian religion and Christian principles of love, acceptance, compassion and understanding, in particular, but not exclusively by:

- (1) Encouraging evangelical congregations to welcome and accept same sex attracted individuals and provide them with pastoral support.
- (2) Repudiating all attitudes and actions which victimize or diminish people whose affections are directed towards people of the same sex.
- (3) Providing pastoral support and advice in relation to biblical teachings on human sexuality assisting same sex attracted Christians reconcile their sexuality with the teachings of the Bible.

Activities, Achievements & Performance

Living Out carries out a wide variety of activities and the trustees take seriously the requirement to provide public benefit and have appreciated the Charity Commission's guidance in this area.

Despite the continued impact of the COVID-19 pandemic there was a general resumption of in person events particularly in the second half of the year with a LOCAL course in the North East in October 2021 and then some new more widely aimed Living Out days taking place in Cardiff, Cheltenham and Leicester before the end of the financial year. New podcasts have continued to be launched through the year and are growing in popularity. We have also maintained a constant flow of blogs and new articles keeping the new website stocked with fresh and dynamic content.

In February 2022 Living Out set some new medium term goals of:

- Encouraging and equipping under 18s and those who care for them.
- Increasing the profile and accessibility of the website and its resources.
- Encouraging and equipping churches to be biblically inclusive safe spaces for sexual minority groups.
- Refreshing and expanding the staff team

Also during the year Living Out continued to work with another UK Christian charity to fund and advise on age appropriate material for use with children in churches.

Financial Review

Financial Review Details

Living Out made a small surplus as a planned animation project did not progress in the year and the continued search for an additional associate to join the team. Overall the financial performance was broadly in line with expectation. Living Out has no borrowings or provided any guarantees.

Charity's Policy on Reserves

The trustees reviewed the reserve policy in November 2020 and in light of expanding employment commitments increased the policy reserves to three months operating expenditure relating to salary and other financial commitments as a general reserve. This would equate to £20,000.

At the end of the year Living Out had an unrestricted cash balance of £104,044. This is significantly above the policy reserve requirement. This excess cash relates to future planned expenditure on projects planned and in progress and the early receipt of grant funding to support the work of Living Out.

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Related party transactions

In August 2019 Living Out obtained Charity Commission approval to pay Ed Shaw, a trustee, this was to act as a director and not in respect of trustee duties. During the year £17,588 was paid. Expenses were also paid with respect to expenses as trustees of £199 for two trustees.

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' Report above.

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees

Signature:



Full Name: Edward JJ Shaw

Position: Chair

Date: 18 December 2022

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Living Out Charitable Incorporated Organisation

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Living Out for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of Living Out 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 Living Out'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:

1. the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with the accounting records; or
3. 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.

Signature:



Full Name:

SIMON BEGBEY

Relevant professional qualification

ICAEW ACA

Address:

3 Glebe Field,
Almondsbury, BS32 4DL

Date:

18/12/22



Receipts and payments accounts

For the period
from

01/04/2021

To

31/03/2022

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last period to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Grant Income	79,976	-	-	79,976	64,988
Donations	16,946	120	-	17,066	9,524
Course and event income	3,752	-	-	3,752	487
Investment income	17	-	-	17	54
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	100,691	120	-	100,811	75,053
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	100,691	120	-	100,811	75,053
A3 Payments					
Provision of courses, events	7,050	-	-	7,050	506
Other charitable activity	63,189	120	-	63,309	97,526
Administrative costs and services	20,816	-	-	20,816	20,357
Governance	1,005	-	-	1,005	76
Sub total	92,061	120	-	92,181	118,465
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Asset purchase	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	92,061	120	-	92,181	118,465
Net of receipts/(payments)	8,630	-	-	8,630	- 43,412
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	95,414	-	-	95,414	138,826
Cash funds this year end	104,044	-	-	104,044	95,414

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash at bank	104,000	-	-
	Cash in hand	44	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	104,044	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Computer and other equipment	Unrestricted	1,224	-
			-	-

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

[Redacted Signature]

Print Name

Edward JJ Shaw

Date of approval

18-Dec-22