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28<sup>th</sup> Jan 2023

**REPORT OF MIDDLESBROUGH COMMUNITY CHURCH TRUST**  
**March 2021 – March 2022**

Middlesbrough Community Church has during this past year pursued the objects of 'The Middlesbrough Community Church Trust' which was first established in September 1981 and formally known as 'The Kingdom Life Trust'. The number of trustees remained at five. Their primary purpose was to ensure the objectives and aims of the Trust were carried out and described in the Trust deed as follows: 'to advance the Christian Faith in accordance with the doctrines set out in the fourth schedule of the Trust and the worship of God both locally and in other areas.'

A brief description of the past year's activity is set out below:

1. Weekly meetings have been conducted throughout the year for worship, preaching, teaching and supporting the local Christian community that meets as Middlesbrough Community Church (formally known as St Aidan's Community Church). The meetings continue to be available on Zoom for those who can't attend in person.
2. Christian literature including Bibles have been freely given to those who need to support their connection with the Christian Faith.
3. Training sessions on child protection and vulnerable adults has been provided to increase the safeguarding skills of the Church and support better the community we serve.
4. To aid cross cultural connection various social groups and events have taken place to support multicultural Christian relationships and help non-UK families socialise, find support and become accustomed to UK culture. This has included practical provision.
5. Tuesday morning prayer meeting with local church leaders. This has expanded and grown from just Middlesbrough to include other churches across Teesside.
6. The church is an active participant in the "Transforming Teesside Together" movement which is a grouping of local churches of many denominations. Its purpose is to help unify the churches on Teesside and see Christ glorified in our area.
7. Children and young people ministries (ages 3 to 15) have been expanding as more families have joined the church. Reformed under the new name "Crowned" in 2020/21 there are small groups for the different age ranges. The Sunday morning meetings are aimed at encouraging, developing and nurturing young people in their Christian faith.
8. The Middlesbrough Foodbank operates a drop-in collection centre one day per week within the St. Aidan's building and is being supported by members of the congregation.

9. The annual free Christmas Meal was held in on Christmas day for the 30<sup>th</sup> Year and connected the local community together over a service and celebration with a meal to support the homeless and lonely.
10. A "Feast of Fun" week of activities was hosted in the building during the school summer holidays which was run by members of the church and open to local children of primary age with free food and crafts to support families in a time without school meal provision.
11. "Messy Church" children's group run by members of MCC has continued to offer free craft, story and singing time once a month for Primary aged children and families from the Church and community.
12. The church building is hired out for use by another church who are mostly of Eritrean extraction who meet on a Sunday afternoon.
13. A local group (Recipe) uses the church building on a Friday evening to provide food and community support one evening per week.
14. The hall and buildings were used to serve the family of the church and there were a number of private hire events.

The Trustees meet regularly to ensure that the trust funds are spent appropriately to further the aims outlined above, that the accounts are annually independently reviewed and that they are invested wisely as a resource for future plans. Meetings are chaired and formally structured with minutes written and kept for future reference. Meetings during 2020-1 were held on zoom and did not take place as frequently as previous years.

Yours faithfully,

*Andrew Walker*

Andrew P Walker M.A. CEng MIMechE  
Chair of Middlesbrough Community Church Trust

**MIDDLESBROUGH COMMUNITY CHURCH TRUST**  
**Statement of Income and Expenditure**  
**For the Financial Year April 2021 to March 2022**

	<b>2022</b>
<b>INCOME</b>	<b>£</b>
Regular Giving	68,670
One Off Gifts	0
Grants	0
Gifts to Specific Causes	562
Trading Income	2,071
Other Income	0
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>71,303</b>
 <b>EXPENDITURE</b>	
Staffing Costs	40,180
Lease & Utilities	15,409
Waste & Insurance	6,653
Buildings, Maintenance & Security	9,311
Subscriptions	4,833
Office Running Costs	1,769
Office Equipment	65
Operational Costs	4,721
Conferences	129
Bank Charges, Interests and Fees	1,842
Discipleship / Teaching	2,600
Family & Pastoral Care	3,452
Social Actions	178
Kids & Youth Work	1,410
Evangelism	568
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>93,121</b>
 <b>Surplus/(Loss)</b>	 <b>-21,818</b>
 <b>Reconciliation of Funds:</b>	 <b>£</b>
Bank Accounts and Cash Opening Balances:	
Current A/C Yorkshire Bank	34,906
Savings A/C Yorkshire Bank	19,072
Green Pastures Savings	10,000
Petty Cash	89
<b>Total</b>	<b>64,067</b>
 <b>Add: Total Income</b>	 <b>71,303</b>
<b>Less Total Expenditure</b>	<b>-93,121</b>
<b>Funds at 31 March 2021</b>	<b>42,249</b>
 <b>Bank Accounts and Cash Closing Balances:</b>	
Current A/C Virgin Money	13,069
Savings A/C Yorkshire Bank	19,091
Green Pastures Savings	10,000
Petty Cash	89
<b>Total Funds at 31 March 2022</b>	<b>42,249</b>



## Independent examiner's report on the accounts

### Section A

### Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Charity Name

Middlesbrough Community Church

On accounts for the year  
ended

March 2022

Charity no  
(if any)

511864

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

**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 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

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

**Basis of independent  
examiner's statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 the 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 (other than that disclosed below \*)

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 Charities Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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.

\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Susana Sargeant

Date:

26/01/2023

Name:

Susana Sargeant

Relevant professional

Postgraduate Certificate in Charity Finance & Accountancy

**qualification(s) or body  
(if any):**

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## Section B

## Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

**Give here brief details of  
any items that the  
examiner wishes to  
disclose.**

None