

Christ Church Dunstable

Trustees' Report, Accounts and Notes to the Accounts

For the year ended 31st March 2023

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Registered Address: Christ Church Dunstable, West Street, Dunstable, Beds, LU6 1SX

Registered Charity No. 1159475

**Christ Church Dunstable
Trustees' Annual Report
for the year ended 31st March 2023**

The trustees submit their annual report and accounts for the year ended 31st March 2023.

The accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Trust Deed and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

Full Name and Principal Address

Christ Church Dunstable, West Street, Dunstable, Bedfordshire, LU6 1SX

Registered Charity Number

1159475

Trustees

Under the definition of The Charities Act, the Senior Pastor, Associate Pastor and Elders are considered to be the managing or executive trustees of the charity, as they are the persons having the general control and management of the administration of the charity.

The trustees who served during the year were:

Mark Lawrence (Chairperson)
Andy Bianchi
Robert Heath
Glyn Hodges
Gareth Mitchell
Stephen Neal (Appointed 26th Feb 2023)
Graham Newton
Andrew Wintersgill

The Fellowship of Independent Evangelical Churches Limited (Company Number 225717, Charity Number 251395) is the custodian trustee in respect of the property.

Bankers

CAF Bank, 25 King's Hill Avenue, King's Hill, West Malling, Kent, ME19 4JQ
HSBC Bank plc, 22 West Street, Dunstable, Beds, LU6 1SY
Kingdom Bank, Ruddington Fields Business Park, Mere Way, Ruddington, Nottingham, NG11 6JS
Nationwide Building Society, 20 High Street North, Dunstable, Beds, LU6 1JF
Virgin Money, Jubilee House, Gosforth, Newcastle Upon Tyne, NE3 4PL

Independent Examiner

Geoff Mann FCIE, Geoff Mann Limited, Dee House, Highworth Avenue, Cambridge, CB4 2BQ

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE & MANAGEMENT

The church is governed by a Trust Deed dated 1st May 1838, amended by a trustee's resolution on 12th May 2013 which was subsequently approved by members on 4th June 2013.

APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEES

The Managing Trustees of Christ Church Dunstable are the Senior Pastor, Associate Pastor and Elders. Appointments are made by the Elders and confirmed by the church members of Christ Church Dunstable.

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Christ Church Dunstable has two purposes which are within the remit of an Indenture dated 1 May 1838 (as amended by a Deed of Variation dated 6 December 2007 and a resolution passed under section 280 of the Charities Act 2011 on 4 June 2013)

1. The advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with the Doctrine and Practice Rules booklet primarily but not exclusively within Dunstable and the surrounding area.
2. Such other charitable purposes as shall, in the opinion of the Senior Pastor, Associate Pastor and Elders (the managing trustees) further the work of the Church.

Christ Church Dunstable Public Benefit Statement

Purpose 1 - advancement of the Christian faith

We carry out this purpose by activities including but not limited to the following:

- a) *Organise weekly services and other gatherings of members and non-members, including at our Christian Community Centre known as "The Way", to present the teachings of the Bible in accordance with the Statement of Beliefs of the FIEC and to provide opportunities for Christian response, including but not limited to prayer and worship.* The meetings are free of charge and open to all, and the public benefit of such meetings for those attending includes the promotion of family stability and wellbeing, and increased ability to contribute positively to society. Meetings are held weekly on most days of the week, and include children's and youth work and associated meetings in Dunstable. The church employs four full-time pastors (comprising a Senior Pastor, an Associate Pastor, an Assistant Pastor and an Assistant Pastor for Youth & Children), and a Director of Ministries, whose collective responsibilities include the leadership of Sunday services, all ministries and activities run in The Way, the promotion and coordination of work with young people, teenagers and children, and pastoral care of the church family.
- b) *Provide support and guidance to those activities of its members that seek to promote, in Dunstable and the surrounding areas, an understanding of the Christian beliefs as set out in the church's Doctrinal Basis, through practical expression of Christian beliefs and ideals in the local community.* The benefit of such support and guidance is to enable those members to be better able to serve everyone in the local community. The church provides teaching and training opportunities for members, using the resources of the staff employed by the church and also external courses and events. These are advertised in the weekly church news sheet and on the church website as necessary.
- c) *Assist the work of individual Christians and Christian organisations, insofar as that work, whether in this country or abroad, accords with the church's aims.* The public benefit of providing donations to such charitable organizations is expected to be in accordance with their aims and purposes. We make donations as agreed by the pastor and elders in the church's "global mission" budget. The purpose of these donations includes the promotion of religious activity, relief of poverty and hardship, training and equipping, work with youth and the elderly, and refugees. The Church website includes reference to each of our Global Mission Partners and the organisations they represent.

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Purpose 2 – charitable activities to further the work of Christ Church Dunstable.

We carry out this purpose by activities including but not limited to the following

- a) *Assist the work of individual Christians and Christian organisations, insofar as that work, whether in this country or abroad, accords with the church's aims.* The public benefit of providing donations to such charitable organizations is expected to be in accordance with their aims and purposes. We make donations as agreed by the pastor and elders in the church's "global mission" budget. The purpose of these donations includes the promotion of religious activity, relief of poverty, training and equipping, work with youth and the elderly, and refugees.
- b) *Carry out acts of social concern to benefit persons in Dunstable and across the world facing hardship on the basis of their need.* The public benefit of these acts is expected to be in the area of poverty relief, caring, youth and elderly people's activities aimed at promoting their health, wellbeing, spiritual life and education. It is addressed by church activities, volunteer activities of individual members, and also by donations to appropriate charitable organizations and activities; donations are from regular giving and through special collections such as our Christmas Day Offering, disbursed at the discretion of the Trustees. Please refer to the church accounts for further details. Our members currently support the local community through the work of The Way, our Christian Community Centre, including support of the Dunstable Foodbank which we help to finance and run with many other churches in the town of Dunstable.

We are also developing relationships with other churches in Dunstable through the Dunstable Fellowship of Evangelical Churches, and in the surrounding areas and nationally through affiliation to our church grouping, the Fellowship of Independent Evangelical Churches (FIEC). Similarly, we develop relationships with churches and Christian communities overseas, which are mutually beneficial in advancing our aims. The public benefit of such association is expected to be in developing awareness and providing opportunity for partnership in meeting the needs of others through community events in the life of our church and our community centre.

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CHURCH MINISTRY DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES 2022-23

BACKGROUND AND INTRODUCTION

Christ Church Dunstable is an independent evangelical church which is rooted in- and passionate about reaching our town of Dunstable with- the Good News of Jesus Christ.

We seek to meet our local community at their point of material and practical need, looking to express the love and generosity of God that has been demonstrated to us in Jesus Christ.

SUNDAY SERVICES FOR PUBLIC WORSHIP OPEN TO THE WHOLE COMMUNITY:

We continued to run three services each Sunday. Identical morning services were held at 9.15am and 11.15am, with the 11.15am service live streamed- available via unlisted, private link- for those church members unable to attend church in person. Additionally, evening services were held at 6.15 during the spring and summer, and 5.15pm after the clocks went back for the autumn and winter.

The morning services included a full range of children's groups, for those aged 0-14 years.

MID-WEEK CHURCH MEETINGS:

We ran a number of mid-week meetings throughout the week, intended primarily for our church community.

Our key Tuesday evening meetings comprised alternating **home groups** for fellowship, Bible study and Prayer, and **Prayer Central**, our central prayer meeting.

Women@ChristChurch Bible study small groups for women of all ages were run weekly on Wednesday mornings, and also once a month on Monday evenings.

Men's Breakfast, a Bible study and time of prayer over food for men, continued to run on the second Saturday of each month.

YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S WORK

We continued to run a wide-ranging youth and children's work covering ages 18yrs down to 4yrs. All necessary DBS checks are made on children's leaders.

All our children's and youth activities are open to all children and young people in the local community, regardless as to whether their parents attend the church. All written appropriate permissions are obtained from parents/guardians, and all children's and youth activities are subject to appropriate risk assessments being carried out.

The youth and children's work ran on Wednesday evenings, Saturday evenings and on Sundays parallel with the two morning services. On Sunday mornings the children's work includes a creche for babies up to 2 yrs, and a Footsteps group for toddlers aged 2 to 4yrs .

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The end of August saw a successful Holiday Bible Club run in the church building and forecourt. This was, as always, open to all children in the local community, and this year was run for those children aged between 4 and 11. The event proved very popular with local children, led by our committed team of youth and children's leaders who were suitably trained and greatly enthusiastic.

Our various summer camps for young people run either by ourselves or Contagious Bible Ministries (though supported by a number of our leaders who join the leadership team each year) were able to run again for the first time since the shut down enforced by the Covid pandemic.

CHURCH HOLIDAYS

In addition to the Contagious Youth Camps which ran in August 2022, the church also ran a successful camp at the start of the school summer holidays aimed specifically at those with younger families, which was attended by over 100 people.

THE WAY - WIDER COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND SUPPORT:

Christ Church Dunstable places a significant emphasis on reaching out to engage with the wider local community especially through the ministry of **The Way**.

The Way was open throughout this twelve months. It comprises **The Way Coffee House**, with the **large rear premises** in particular being extensively used by a wide variety of activities and ministry which are free to attend. The Way has continued to flourish and to grow in terms of both business and ministry, with the development in care and outreach developed greatly by our Pastor to the Community, Steve Neal, and our Community Worker, Sarah Curtis.

A wide range of community activities and ministries means that The Way is well used every day of the week. These activities and ministries include:

1. Our Foodbank outlet in The Way continued to be in heavy demand throughout the year on Tuesday and Friday afternoons. This is run for the benefit of the whole Dunstable community, operated by our committed volunteer teams, and supported by Trussell Trust. Up to three, free, generous food parcels from any single referral are supplied to clients, referred by a number of outside agencies involved in health, well-being and community care. Frequently these food parcels provide for whole families. The team endeavours to provide as much holistic care as possible, treating each client as an individual and signposting to other agencies whenever needs are identified. The Friday session now includes the opportunity for clients to enjoy a drop-in lunch.

2. Toddlers group ran twice a week

3. Knit and Natter (in the church foyer)

4. Art classes

5. Connect (a large group for older "senior" friends with different group activities or presentations laid on each Thursday morning)

6. Patchwork and Quilting

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7. Wednesday Club (early evening, a large group children's activity for children aged 4-7yrs and 7-11yrs, part of our wider children's ministry referred to earlier in this report).

8. English Language Classes. Although open to all, these have proved a significant part of a growing ministry amongst those seeking asylum in the UK who have been temporarily housed in two Dunstable hotels during the past year. We have also been able to go to one of the hotels to run activities for these asylum seekers there.

Additionally, we have hosted a number of one off 'outreach' events, including a celebration for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, a Christmas Craft Event and a 'Music in March' concert.

WIDER CHURCH GLOBAL MINISTRY

Internationally, through regular monthly gifts, we continued to support our Global Mission Partners in Portugal, Russia, Thailand, India, America, Hong Kong and Serbia in their work of church planting, alleviating poverty and bringing local community reconciliation and renewal through practical support and sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Christmas time 2022 saw the congregation providing substantial funds in a Christmas offering for the ministry of Reach Across in their work amongst Muslims. Half of the Christmas offering was also given (as advertised prior to the collection being taken up) towards the work of the Christian charity Action.

WIDER CHURCH MINISTRY BY THE PASTORS

Our senior pastor continued to serve on the Trust Board for our church grouping, the Fellowship of Independent Evangelical Churches (FIEC), and as a Director of Edward Connor Solicitors, a registered charity which serves as an independent, but "FIEC linked", ministry.

Our Associate Pastor continued to serve on the Board of Contagious Bible Ministries, and began serving as a trustee of the newly formed Four Counties Gospel Partnership.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

Christ Church Dunstable's principal source of income is donations from the members and congregation of the church. As Trustees, we are profoundly grateful to all who donate, for their generous giving to the work of the church, whether their contributions are large or small. We know that for many this is done with significant sacrifice on their part. And we acknowledge our dependence on the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ from whom all these good gifts ultimately come. We do not engage in any external fundraising.

At the end of the previous financial year, The Way Coffee Shop generated sufficient income to require VAT registration and so, starting in this financial year, the turnover and associated expenditure were transferred to a new trading entity –under the limited company 'The Way Coffee House'.

Regular giving for 2022/23 was £489,299, down 2% (£498,167) from the previous year. On top of this there was extra giving of £35,911, consisting of £20,044 for the Christmas collection (a restricted fund, which was an increase of 10% (£18,122) from the previous year), and £15,867 for a special Turkey and Syria Collection. The Christmas Collection was passed on in full to Reach Across and ACTION, and the Turkey and Syria Collection in full to Open Doors and Tear Fund.

In addition to all of this, donations and Gift Aid meant that our total income was £528,881, down 5% from the previous year (£577,298).

The money given was used to support the key objectives of the charity by employing an average of 8.1 members of staff, 5 of whom worked almost solely on our key objectives of advancing the Christian faith and running charitable activities to further the work of the church. The other employees supported the work in running activities, in administration, and in day-to-day running of the charity. Money was also spent in supporting mission overseas and elsewhere in the UK and in supporting community work locally through the many-fold activities run by the church in Dunstable, chiefly through The Way Community Centre.

As well as the paid staff, several teams of volunteers gave their time at Christ Church and in The Way. We acknowledge that without their invaluable contribution our mission and ministry would not be possible at the scale it is run.

There was a net cash outflow of £17,139 (compared to an outflow of £25,949 the previous year), due to a lower operating surplus.

The total balance of charity funds at the end of 2022/23 was £1,306,838 (down from £1,323,977 the previous year). Of this, £35,388 was restricted and £888,140 was only realisable by disposing of tangible fixed assets. Actual free reserves at the end of 2023 were £383,312. This means that our total general reserves remain above our target range. We are continuing to invest in significant repairs to our buildings and are anticipating investing in significant outreach work in the coming years.

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During the year, our fixtures and fittings tangible fixed assets increased by £20,380 as we invested in new IT equipment, new forecourt furniture and upgraded auditorium lighting. The fixtures and fittings depreciation charge for the year increased from £10,082 to £16,107. We depreciate assets on a straight line 3-year basis and so this increase represents the depreciation on asset investment in the previous years.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Note	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	Total £	2021/22 £
Income						
Voluntary Income	4	489,299	-	39,582	528,881	577,298
Investment Income	5	1,919	9,000	-	10,919	8,730
Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	6	2,648	22,365	-	25,013	125,298
Total Income		493,866	31,365	39,582	564,813	711,326
Expenditure						
Charitable Activities	7	458,821	58,824	64,307	581,952	737,275
Total Expenditure	8	458,821	58,824	64,307	581,952	737,275
Net Income/(Expenditure) Before Transfers		35,045	(27,459)	(24,725)	(17,139)	(25,949)
Transfers Between Funds	9	(88,169)	64,156	24,013	-	-
Net Movement in Funds		(53,124)	36,697	(712)	(17,139)	(25,949)
<u>Reconciliation of Funds</u>						
Total Funds Brought Forward		263,642	1,024,237	36,098	1,323,977	1,349,926
Total Funds Carried Forward		210,518	1,060,934	35,386	1,306,838	1,323,977

The notes on pages 13 to 24 form part of these accounts.

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BALANCE SHEET

	Note	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	Total £	2021/22 £
Fixed Assets						
Tangible Assets	10	-	888,140	-	888,140	883,867
Total Fixed Assets		-	888,140	-	888,140	883,867
Current Assets						
Bank & Cash	11	166,420	171,774	35,800	373,994	413,595
Debtors	12	46,636	1,300	4,129	52,065	33,424
Total Current Assets		213,056	173,074	39,929	426,059	447,019
Liabilities						
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year	13	2,538	280	4,543	7,361	6,909
Net Current Assets		210,518	172,794	35,386	418,698	440,110
NET ASSETS		210,518	1,060,934	35,386	1,306,838	1,323,977
The Funds of the Charity						
Unrestricted	14	210,518	-	-	210,518	263,642
Designated	15	-	1,060,934	-	1,060,934	1,024,237
Restricted	16	-	-	35,386	35,386	36,098
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS		210,518	1,060,934	35,386	1,306,838	1,323,977

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1. Accounting Policies

1.1 Basis of Preparation.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102 Second Edition Oct 2019) (Effective 1 January 2019) – (Charities SORP (FRS102)), the financial reporting standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

Christ Church Dunstable meets the definition of a public entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in relevant accounting policy note (s).

1.2 Donations and Legacies.

Donations and legacies are accounted for gross when received.

1.3 Investment Income.

Investment income is included in the accounts when received.

1.4 Gift Aid.

Income Tax to be reclaimed under the Gift Aid scheme is included in the accounts as a debtor.

1.5 Apportionment of Costs between Charitable Activities.

Costs clearly belonging to one of the Church's Charitable Activities are directly charged to the relevant activity. Other costs are allocated on an estimated basis.

1.6 Fundraising and Publicity Costs.

The church does not make formal appeals for funds, and expenditure on these items is therefore not material.

1.7 Grants Payable.

The church makes grants to other organisations whose charitable objects complement its work. They are accounted for in the year in which they are paid or accrued.

1.8 Governance Costs.

This represents direct expenditure on the governance of the church, consisting basically of legal costs and independent examination fees.

1.9 Fixed Assets and Depreciation.

The church premises are included in the balance sheet at an estimated cost value because reliable cost information is not available. A formal valuation would have incurred significant costs which would be onerous compared with the additional benefit gained by the user of the accounts.

Fixed assets purchased at a value in excess of £500 are capitalised in the accounts at cost and written off on a straight-line basis over a three year period.

1.10 Investment Assets.

Quoted investments are stated at market value. All other investment assets are shown at cost.

1.11 Stocks.

The value of stocks of stationery and consumables are written off on purchase.

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1.12 Reserves Policy.

It is our policy to maintain the General Fund Reserve at the level of at least two months General Fund expenditure; however, the trustees may decide to run the reserve at one month's expenditure at certain times with a view to restoring it to at least two as soon as possible.

1.13 Debtors.

Trade debtors and other debtors are recognised at their settlement amount due after any discounts. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discount.

1.14 Creditors and Provisions.

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discount due.

1.15 Going Concern.

The Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

The Trustees do not consider that there are any sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next reporting period.

2. Funds of the Charity

2.1 Unrestricted Funds – see Note 14. May be used for any of the general purposes of the church decided by the trustees.

General

Supported by regular non-designated giving of the members and congregation. The Fund is used to pay the salaries and expenses of the church employees, other expenses, and the upkeep of the premises. Transfers are also made, as required, from this fund to the Global Mission Fund, the Church Future Refurbishment Fund and The Way Future Refurbishment Fund.

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2.2 Designated Funds – see Note 15. Those funds designated by the trustees for a specific or general purpose, but may be reversed at their discretion.

Freehold Property

The church premises are included in the balance sheet at an estimated cost value. Reliable cost information is not available and a formal valuation would incur significant costs, which would be onerous compared with the additional benefit gained by the user of these accounts.

Other Tangible Assets

Other assets are included at net book value and written off over a three-year period.

Church Future Refurbishment

Money set aside for refurbishment of church premises.

Way Future Refurbishment

Money set aside for refurbishment of The Way premises.

Outreach

Money set aside in the budget for outreach events, outreach books and advertising

Coffee House

Used for the income and expenditure specific to The Way Coffee House.

Church Plant (was Gospel Purposes)

Money set aside for local or Global evangelism.

The Way Flat

Money received from the rental of the flat and spent in maintenance and upkeep costs.

GMP Support Fund

Money set aside for the support of our Global Mission Partners.

Ministry Events

Money set aside in the budget for events largely for the church family.

Way Ministries

Funds used for the ministries run in The Way, such as Knit & Natter, Patchwork, Book Club, etc...

Youth & Children's Work

Money set aside in the budget for our youth and children's work, such as Nano, Frontline, etc....

Projects & Events

Used to run the year specific activities, such as Church Holiday, HUB weekend, etc...

Boundary Wall Project

Money set aside for the rebuilding of the boundary wall.

Operational Projects

Money set aside for the Operations Manager to use for various specific projects.

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2.3 Restricted Funds – see Note 16. Those which have been given for a specific purpose and can only be used for that purpose, unless the donor consents otherwise.

Global Mission

Used principally to support other Christian Charities and individuals, primarily operating overseas.

Pastoral Care

Used to support members of the church and others who are in particular financial need.

Christmas Collection

Gifts donated to external charities.

Turkey & Syria

Used for specific collections towards helping those suffering from the effects of the 2023 earthquakes.

Omotayo Family

Used to support the Omotayo Family.

Contagious

Used to support Christ Church Dunstable members to attend Contagious youth events.

Four Counties Gospel Partnership

Used to receive donations and make payments related to the Four Counties Gospel Partnership.

Wilkinson Collection

Used for a specific collection for the Wilkinson family.

All of the above mentioned funds are considered by the trustees to be adequate to fulfil the obligations of the charity.

3. Connected Charity

Aletheia Ministries Trust (Charity Commission Number 296614) is a Connected Charity. Aletheia Ministries own 'The Way', a former public house. This building is leased by Christ Church Dunstable and is used for many activities to enable us to engage with the local community. The building is registered as a place of worship.

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4 VOLUNTARY INCOME

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total	2021/22
	£	£	£	£	£
Regular Giving	401,786	-	3,231	405,017	425,128
Special Collections	-	-	29,887	29,887	57,253
Donations and Grants	-	-	-	-	-
Legacies	2,114	-	-	2,114	-
Gift Aid Reclaimed	85,399	-	6,464	91,863	94,917
	489,299	-	39,582	528,881	577,298

5 INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total	2021/22
	£	£	£	£	£
Bank Interest	1,919	-	-	1,919	480
Flat Rental	-	9,000	-	9,000	8,250
	1,919	9,000	-	10,919	8,730

6 INCOMING RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total	2021/22
	£	£	£	£	£
Sales, Fees & Charges	-	22,365	-	22,365	32,354
Sale of Books & Publications	338	-	-	338	659
Other Reimbursements	2,310	-	-	2,310	2,218
The Way Coffee House	-	-	-	-	90,067
Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme	-	-	-	-	-
	2,648	22,365	-	25,013	125,298

7 CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total	2021/22
	£	£	£	£	£
Ministry	266,427	37,285	2,896	306,608	329,957
Mission	191,411	21,539	61,411	274,361	406,064
Governance Costs	983	-	-	983	1,254
	458,821	58,824	64,307	581,952	737,275

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8 TOTAL EXPENDITURE

	Charitable Activities				
	Undertaken Directly	Grant Funded	Support Costs	Total	2021/22
	£	£	£	£	£
Ministry	203,958	-	102,650	306,608	329,957
Mission	178,733	61,411	34,217	274,361	406,064
Governance Costs	983	-	-	983	1,254
	383,674	61,411	136,867	581,952	737,275

9 GROSS TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total	2021/22
	£	£	£	£	£
General to Global Mission	(28,160)	-	28,160	0	0
Boundary Wall Project to General	3,994	(3,994)	-	0	0
Global Mission to GMP Support Fund	-	4,157	(4,157)	0	0
General to Church Plant	(15,500)	15,500	-	0	0
General to Ministry Events	(3,706)	3,706	-	0	0
General to Youth & Children's Work	(6,569)	6,569	-	0	0
General to Turkey & Syria	(10)	-	10	0	0
General to Projects & Events	(1,249)	1,249	-	0	0
Way Ministries to General	247	(247)	-	0	0
General to Outreach	(7,320)	7,320	-	0	0
General to Coffee House	(3,301)	3,301	-	0	0
Church Future Refurbishment to General	24,000	(24,000)	-	0	0
General to Operational Projects	(50,000)	50,000	-	0	0
General to GMP Support Fund	(594)	594	-	0	0
General to Christmas Collection	(1)	1	-	0	0
	(88,169)	64,156	24,013	0	0

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10 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold Property	Fixtures & Fittings	Total	2021/22
Cost	£	£	£	£
At 31 March 2022	870,899	205,616	1,076,515	1,065,600
Additions	-	20,380	20,380	10,915
Disposals	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2023	870,899	225,996	1,096,895	1,076,515
Depreciation				
At 31 March 2022	-	192,648	192,648	182,566
Charge for Year	-	16,107	16,107	10,082
Disposals	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2023	0	208,755	208,755	192,648
Net Book Value at 31 March 2023	870,899	17,243	888,140	883,867
Net Book Value at 31 March 2022	870,899	12,968	883,867	883,034

All of the fixed assets are used for direct charitable purposes.

In addition to the above we insure the buildings of The Way, which is owned by Aletheia Ministries Trust but leased to Christ Church Dunstable.

The value of the above assets of the charity for insurance purposes is £4,809,219 (Buildings £4,582,585 & Contents £226,634).

The valuation of the assets of The Way for insurance purposes is £2,236,533 (Buildings £2,133,497 & Contents £103,036).

11 BANK & CASH BALANCES

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total	2021/22
	£	£	£	£	£
CAF Cash	1,910	12,845	35,800	50,555	89,297
CAF Gold	60,855	-	-	60,855	60,440
Nationwide	12,982	74,000	-	86,982	86,491
HSBC Current	3,965	-	-	3,965	10,623
Kingdom Bank	16,470	70,000	-	86,470	85,902
Virgin Money	71,397	14,850	-	86,247	86,021
Stripe	-	79	-	79	138
Petty Cash	90	-	-	90	223
Barclaycard	(1,249)	-	-	(1,249)	(5540)
	166,420	171,774	35,800	373,994	413,595

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12 DEBTORS

	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	Total £	2021/22 £
HMRC	26,182	-	4,129	30,311	26,689
Prepayments	6,158	1,300	-	7,458	6,426
Accounts Receivable	14,296	-	-	14,296	309
	46,636	1,300	4,129	52,065	33,424

13 CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	Total £	2021/22 £
Accruals	2,158	280	3,241	5,679	5,203
Creditors	380	-	1,302	1,682	1,706
	2,538	280	4,543	7,361	6,909

14 UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	31 March 22 £	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended £	Transfers £	31 March 23 £
General	263,642	493,866	(458,821)	(88,169)	210,518
	263,642	493,866	(458,821)	(88,169)	210,518

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15 DESIGNATED FUNDS

	31 March 22	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers	31 March 23
	£	£	£	£	£
Freehold Property	870,899	-	-	-	870,899
Other Tangible Assets	12,968	-	4,275	-	17,243
Church Future Refurbishment	74,375	-	-	(24,000)	50,375
Way Future Refurbishment	15,158	-	-	-	15,158
Outreach	-	846	(8,166)	7,320	-
Coffee House	-	363	(3,664)	3,301	-
Church Plant (was Gospel Purposes)	24,000	-	-	15,500	39,500
The Way Flat	4,615	9,000	(2,346)	-	11,269
GMP Support Fund	-	-	-	4,752	4,752
Ministry Events	-	10,223	(13,929)	3,706	-
Youth & Children's Work	-	3,488	(10,057)	6,569	-
Projects & Events	-	4,043	(5,292)	1,249	-
Boundary Wall Project	12,548	200	(8,416)	(4,332)	-
Way Ministries	674	3,202	(3,016)	(247)	613
Operational Projects	9,000	-	(8,213)	50,338	51,125
	1,024,237	31,365	(58,824)	64,156	1,060,934

16 RESTRICTED FUNDS

	31 March 22	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers	31 March 23
	£	£	£	£	£
Global Mission	13,663	2,046	(25,252)	23,764	14,221
Pastoral Care	13,721	1,625	(2,520)	-	12,826
Christmas Collection	-	20,044	(20,270)	226	-
Turkey & Syria	-	15,867	(15,890)	23	-
Omotayo Family	4,843	-	-	-	4,843
Contagious	3,871	-	(375)	-	3,496
	36,098	39,582	(64,307)	24,013	35,386
Total All Fund Balances	1,323,977	564,813	(581,952)	-	1,306,838

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17 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS

	Fixed Assets	Current Assets	Current Liabilities	Total	2021/22
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds	-	213,056	(2,538)	210,518	263,642
Designated Funds	888,140	173,074	(280)	1,060,934	1,024,237
Restricted Funds	-	39,929	(4,543)	35,386	36,098
	888,140	426,059	(7,361)	1,306,838	1,323,977

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18 GRANTS PAYABLE

Fund	Unrestricted £	Restricted Specific Donations £	Restricted Global Mission £	Total £	2021/22 £
Partners in Service (DBI)	-	-	6,732	6,732	37,282
Eurasian Ministries	-	-	1,504	1,504	5,312
Crossroads - Kenworthy	-	-	1,902	1,902	19,934
D & D Woodard	-	-	1,146	1,146	1,092
J & A Franka	-	-	3,604	3,604	3,603
T McMahon	-	-	3,400	3,400	5,588
Tearfund	-	7,945	-	7,945	-
Open Doors	-	7,945	-	7,945	-
Ramada Church, Portugal	-	-	4,769	4,769	3,134
ABWE Ukraine Crisis	-	-	-	-	19,527
Reach Across	-	10,135	-	10,135	-
ACTION	-	10,135	-	10,135	-
Other Designated Gifts	-	-	636	636	2,910
TOTAL GRANTS	0	36,160	23,693	59,853	100,492
Other Expenses (not grants)	-	-	1,558	1,558	717
Total as included in Funds	0	36,160	25,251	61,411	101,209

19 SUPPORT COSTS

	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	Total £	2021/22 £
Administrative Staff	89,388	-	-	89,388	83,117
Other Administrative Costs	47,479	-	-	47,479	42,307
	136,867	-	-	136,867	125,424

Much of the work of the Church is carried out, without charge, by volunteers. This intangible cost is not included in the Statement of Financial Activities since there is no measurable cost.

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20 STAFF COSTS AND TRUSTEES EXPENSES

	Total £	2021/22 £
Salaries	265,104	309,468
Social Security Costs	25,907	26,549
Pension Costs	31,108	35,876
	322,119	371,893

The average number of employees during the year was 8.1 F/T Equivalent (Previous Year 11.7)

No employees earned £60,000 or more.

None of the trustees were remunerated, or received any expenses, in their office as trustee.

Three trustees, M Lawrence, G Mitchell and S Neal received a salary as employees of the charity and were reimbursed for expenses incurred in that capacity. Contributions to private pension plans were made on behalf of these employees.

The key management personnel of the charity comprise the Pastoral Team and the Elders. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £21,148 (2022: £24,727)

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The trustees declare that they have approved the report and accounts above

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature	Signature
Position	Position
Full Name	Full Name
Date	Date

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Independent examiner's report
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF CHRIST CHURCH DUNSTABLE

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Church for the year ended 31st March 2023, which are set out on pages 11 to 24.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

As the Church's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Acts 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of your church'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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in respect of the church as required by section 130 of the Act;
or
- the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- the accounts do 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 matter in connection with the examination to which attention should be brought in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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