

Kingfisher Church, Little Paxton

Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2023

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Registered Charity Number: 1168532

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Legal and Administrative Information

Charity Name: Kingfisher Church, Little Paxton

Charity Number: 1168532

Principal Address: 18 Dandby Close,
Little Paxton,
St. Neots,
Cambs.
PE19 6FA

Trustees: Richard Fairbairn (Safeguarding)
Mark Slater
Phil Gatward

Designated Safeguarding Lead Diana Bass

Independent Examiner: Paul Carter
2 The Sycamores,
Little Paxton,
St Neots,
Cambs.
PE19 6QJ

Principal Bankers: HSBC
5 High Street
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Elders: Richard Fairbairn
Andrew Barr
Mark Slater

Trustees' Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

Objectives and activities for the public benefit

The purposes of the CIO are:

1. the advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with the Basis of Faith, primarily, but not exclusively, within Little Paxton and the surrounding neighbourhood; and
2. such other charitable purposes, consistent with the Basis of Faith, as shall in the opinion of the charity trustees, facilitate the work of the Fellowship.

The furtherance of these purposes has led to the growth of a congregation of Christians, who are spiritually united as one body and a part of the wider body of Christ. Such congregation is referred to in the constitution of the CIO and this report as "the Fellowship."

When planning the activities of the Fellowship for the year, the Trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and in particular, the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.

We have continued to seek to freely share the good news of the Christian faith with all people in Little Paxton and the surrounding area, with a desire to see people become disciples of Jesus Christ and grow in their faith in him. We are committed to teaching the Bible and prayer and desire to help Christians to grow in their faith and to live lives of love, which seek to do good to all.

The Fellowship organised many activities during the year in support of its objectives and for the public benefit. These activities were adjusted in response to the coronavirus pandemic and associated restrictions throughout the year. The activities included Sunday services for all ages (in person and online), midweek homegroups, ladies' and men's Bible study groups, and a midweek youth group. We also have a desire to see the Christian faith grow in other areas and countries and to this end we have supported Christian work and activities in the UK and abroad through our missionary partnership team.

Structure, governance and management

Kingfisher Church, Little Paxton is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation and is governed by its constitution; registration with the charity commission was confirmed on 1 August 2016. The Fellowship is led by Elders who are appointed to be responsible for the spiritual oversight of the Fellowship as described in *How We Do Church Together*.

Achievements and Performance

Weekly family services have continued to be held on Sunday mornings at Little Paxton Primary School along with evening services. These meetings are open to all and have been attended (and accessed online) by a good mix of ages and regular visitors from the general public. On a typical Sunday morning 60 – 80 adults and children have attended with 10-20 attending the evening services.

The Fellowship set aside 20% of all donations for the support of missionary work. During the year the Church provided support for missionary work around the world including France, Thailand, Moldova, and South Korea. The Fellowship is in regular correspondence with the missionaries we support to be able to provide suitable help and to pray effectively for them.

Staff Team & Membership

During the year one full time staff was employed:

Richard Fairbairn – Pastor

Other staff members:

Diana Bass – Administrator

Over the year **three** members left the church and **eight** new members were added. Membership of the Fellowship increased during the year from 56 to 61 members.

Financial Review

The receipts during the year were £125,988 with payments totalling £105,518.

The majority of the church's income was received through regular giving from members and friends of the church of which £83,229 were gift aided donations and £23,182 of non gift aided donations. £19,578 was received in the year as a tax refund on the previous year's gift-aided donations.

The trustees have adopted a reserves policy of maintaining reserves at a minimum level of three months expenditure. This policy was achieved throughout the year under review.

Mr Richard Fairbairn (Pastor) was employed on a full time basis and is also a trustee of the CIO. The remuneration of all staff is reviewed by the other trustees each year. The Pastor does not attend the meetings at which this review takes place. None of the other trustees of the CIO received any remuneration from the Church during the year.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding support has been provided through Christian Safeguarding Services. The Safeguarding Trustee has audited the Single Central Record & Training Log with the Designated Safeguarding Lead.

Insurance Summary

Public liability insurance is held with Ansvar, due for renewal October 2024. Music licensing is through CCLI.


Health & Safety

The Church has sought to conduct activities in compliance with statutory legislation.

Data Protection

The Church remains compliant with its Data Protection Policy and has recorded no data breaches.

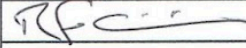
Financial Statements

 CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES	Kingfisher Church Little Paxton		1168532	CC16a
	Receipts and payments accounts			
For the period from		01/10/2023	To	31/12/2023

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 year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Regular giving and one offs	70,845	-	-	70,845	61,234
Tax refunds received	19,578	-	-	19,578	17,142
Other giving	35,565	-	-	35,565	37,685
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	125,988	-	-	125,988	116,061
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	125,988	-	-	125,988	116,061
A3 Payments					
Staff	58,304	-	-	58,304	73,123
Missionary Support	27,300	-	-	27,300	25,550
Other charitable activities	19,914	-	-	19,914	27,500
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	105,518	-	-	105,518	126,173
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	105,518	-	-	105,518	126,173
Net of receipts/(payments)	20,470	-	-	20,470	- 10,112
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	38,332	-	-	38,332	48,444
Cash funds this year end	58,802	-	-	58,802	38,332

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	Bank	58,802	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	58,802	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		R. FAIRBAIRN	21/3/24	

Independent Examiner's Report

Kingfisher Church Little Paxton

INDEPENDENT EXAMINATION

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirements of section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) do not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 43(7)(b) of the Act 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 Commissioners. 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiner's Report

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the Act; and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act have not been met, or to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023 to be reached.

Signed: *Paul Carter*

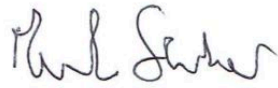
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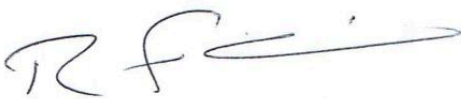
Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees


E. MARK SLATER

Date 17/4/24


R. FAIRBAIRN
17/4/24