

**St John's Congregational Church,
Thornton Heath**

**Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts
for the year ended 31 March 2018**

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Bensham Manor Road, Thornton Heath, Surrey CR7 7AG
Registered charity number 235521

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Trustees

The charity trustees who manage the charity were as follows, for the whole of the year:

Mrs Beatrice Mary Jarman, Church Secretary
Mr Philip Gilbert Channon
Mrs Gloria Lulalee Day
Mr John Desmond Glenney
Miss Sonja Elaine Reid
Mrs Auleen Peta Timms
Mrs Etta Wagstaffe

The custodian trustee for the charity is The EFCC Trust Corporation Limited.

The church's minister is the Reverend William Edward Calder.

Structure, governance and management

The charity is constituted as a charitable trust. Its governing document is the trust deed.

All trustees are appointed by the church members at the general meeting.

Objectives and activities

The objects of the charity set out in its governing document are to proclaim the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ and to build his church in our community.

We are a church affiliated to the Evangelical Fellowship of Congregational Churches, working in the community of Thornton Heath with activities such as youth work and pastoral care.

The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Achievements and performance

During the year, the church has been meeting the spiritual needs of the people of Thornton Heath through declaring the gospel, as well as providing practical help and support.

Financial review

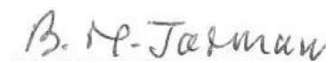
The church recorded net receipts a little over £1,000 in the year ended March 2018, bringing reserves to almost £87,000.

This includes a restricted fund of £575 for the Junior Church.

The charity aims to hold financial reserves sufficient to cover foreseeable repairs that may be required on its premises. The Trustees consider that the current level of reserves is adequate for this purpose. The church hopes to achieve an increase in future rental income, and to the extent that this may be in excess of local needs, this may be offered to support another congregation.

Declaration

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

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "B. H. Jarman".

Mary Jarman
Church Secretary

Date: 16 December 2018

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees of St John's Congregational Church

on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2018, set out on pages 4 & 5 below.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the 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 applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 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

Property rents are credited to the bank account after deduction of management fees and repair costs. The 2018 accounts show the gross amounts of rent and fees. However, in the 2017 accounts (column headed "Last year"), only the net amount was recorded.

In connection with my examination, no other material matters have come to my attention which give me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

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



Neville Reid ACA
19 Mills Grove, London E14 0RH

16 December 2018

St John's Congregational Church
Accounts for the period 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018

Receipts and Payments Account

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Last year £
Receipts:				
Offerings & donations (inc Gift Aid)	19,691	-	19,691	19,443
Rent received	29,400	-	29,400	18,757
Legacy	500	-	500	2,000
Interest received	131	-	131	509
Pension credit from EFCC	800	-	800	-
Other income	-	-	-	130
Total receipts	50,522	-	50,522	40,839
Payments:				
Local ministry costs	30,852	-	30,852	26,041
Gas & electricity	4,509	-	4,509	5,859
Insurance	5,557	-	5,557	5,902
Repairs	4,880	-	4,880	11,952
Donations	515	-	515	450
Telephone	-	-	-	115
Water	181	-	181	115
Property management fees	2,678	-	2,678	-
Miscellaneous payments	248	-	248	2,122
Total payments	49,420	-	49,420	52,556
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,102	-	1,102	(11,717)
Cash funds last year end	85,232	575	85,807	97,524
Cash funds this year end	86,334	575	86,909	85,807

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Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £
Cash funds:		
HSBC Bank	30,759	575
HSBC Money Market Account	49,999	-
Nationwide Building Society	5,576	-
 Total cash funds	 <u>86,334</u>	 <u>575</u>

Assets retained for the charity's own use:

	Fund to which asset belongs
Church and hall	Unrestricted
Manse	Unrestricted

Signed on behalf of the trustees:

B. M. Jarman

Mary Jarman
Church Secretary

Date of approval:

16 December 2018