

# LOVEWISE TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

1<sup>st</sup> April 2017 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018

## Administrative details

Name: Lovewise

Registration Number: 1098210

Office Address: 14 Portland Terrace  
Jesmond  
Newcastle upon Tyne  
NE2 1QQ

Trustees: Dr Chris Richards  
Dr Liz Jones  
Mr Jim Cockburn

## Structure, Governance and Management

Lovewise was founded in September 2002 and received charitable status in February 2003. Its aim is to provide Christian teaching on marriage, sex and relationships to young people in schools, youth groups and online. It also offers support to parents through resources, including books, to help them engage with and teach their children about these matters. Lovewise has three trustees: Drs Chris Richards (Hospital Paediatrician), Dr Liz Jones (Retired Community Paediatrician) and Mr James Cockburn (Retired Principal of Longbenton Community College, North Tyneside). This report describes the activity for April 2017 to March 2018, our sixteenth year. Final decisions regarding the structure and running of the charity are taken by the trustees.

## Objectives and Activities

Lovewise provides Christian teaching on marriage, sex and relationships to young people in schools, youth groups and online, it also supports parents with resources for teaching their own children. The charity's office is based in Newcastle upon Tyne where it continues to employ a part-time administrator and a part-time graphic designer. During this year, we have also employed a part-time media assistant, and a short term part-time presenter in Sussex. Lovewise programmes of teaching have been prepared and are offered in secondary and primary schools either by Lovewise staff (3 part-time paid presenters in Kendal, Portsmouth and Basingstoke) or volunteers or by teachers. Lovewise also accepts invitations to give this teaching to youth groups and to speak to groups of parents in churches or at conferences as invited. Lovewise resources were sold to teachers, parents and youth group leaders as requested via our main office. Lovewise books have also been translated and published in German and Romanian.

## Achievements and Performance

During our sixteenth year approximately 110 Lovewise presentations were given nationwide. Our three part-time presenters, working 6, 4 and 4 hours for Lovewise and other volunteer presenters (all of whom have been interviewed, referenced and DBS checked) have given Lovewise presentations in different parts of the country throughout the year. In addition, many Lovewise presentations have been given by individual teachers and leaders in their own schools and youth groups.

A large number of books have been purchased by parents, and some by young people. We have promoted our materials at four conferences as well as our own annual conference which was held on March 24<sup>th</sup> in London.

We have continued to update our database and to receive and respond to calls and e-mails from parents particularly regarding school sex education.

In order to meet our legal responsibility to become GDPR compliant by May 25<sup>th</sup> 2018, we started work on contacting all our supporters to ask them to re-consent to having their personal details held on our database. We also started work on updating our privacy policy and securing our website.

This year we have also been working on building and preparing material for a new website for young people to access directly.

#### The sale of resources

Most of the resources that we produce may be purchased. These cost from £3.99 to £35.00.

#### Financial Summary (see Receipts and Payments Accounts)

Income £55,734.07

Expenditure £53,978.48

#### Trustees:

Dr Chris Richards

Dr Liz Jones

Mr Jim Cockburn

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:



Christopher Graham Morgan Richards  
Trustee and Director

Date: 18<sup>th</sup> January 2018

**Lovewise (Registered Charity Number 1098210)**  
**Receipts and Payments for the Year Ended 31 March 2018**

All figures in £s	Unrestricted	Restricted		TOTAL
		Lakes Team	South Coast Team	
<b>Income:</b>				
Donations	39,914.39	1,200.00	1,224.00	42,338.39
Tax reclaimed	4,162.00			4,162.00
Sale of materials	7,596.27			7,596.27
Other	1,637.41			1,637.41
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>53,310.07</b>	<b>1,200.00</b>	<b>1,224.00</b>	<b>55,734.07</b>
<b>Expenditure:</b>				
Staff costs	19,445.40			19,445.40
Office expenses	18,216.42			18,216.42
Lakes team		1,455.82		1,455.82
South Coast team			2,107.66	2,107.66
Conferences	1,535.42			1,535.42
Production of materials	10,913.51			10,913.51
Other	304.25			304.25
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>50,415.00</b>	<b>1,455.82</b>	<b>2,107.66</b>	<b>53,978.48</b>
<b>Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>2,895.07</b>	<b>(255.82)</b>	<b>(883.66)</b>	<b>1,755.59</b>
<b>Balance b/f</b>	<b>30,447.63</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>30,447.63</b>
<b>Transfers between funds</b>	<b>(1,139.48)</b>	<b>255.82</b>	<b>883.66</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Balance c/f</b>	<b>32,203.22</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>32,203.22</b>

I report on the accounts of the charity for the period ended 31 March 2018, which are set out on page 1.

#### Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commissioners in section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state 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 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 you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

#### Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 the 2011 Act, or to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records 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.



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