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ANNUAL REPORT 2017/18

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

God has continued to provide for all the activities of SCM. The schools' work and Basics Bank have met the needs of very many children and adults throughout the year, and a new venture to provide chaplaincy support within the city has begun. We give God the praise for the passion and dedication of Chris Davis, Duncan House, Matt Gwynn, Dave Osborne and Jen Ball, without whom SCM could not function and prosper.

It has been encouraging and humbling to experience God's provision in so many ways. Despite the loss of £30,000 in a banking scam, God in His mercy prompted many to give generously to more than make up the shortfall. We trust Him for all our needs in the coming year and rest on His faithfulness.

As in the past we are so grateful to all the volunteers who work tirelessly for the charity and for those who contribute financially.

We are blessed by having a prayerful and gifted Board of Trustees and have been delighted to welcome Neil Maddock to the Board.

Sincere thanks to all who support the City Mission and please continue to pray for the work.

Chris Ford
Chairman of Trustees

STRUCTURE, OBJECTS & GOVERNANCE

Southampton City Mission (CIO) is a charitable incorporated organisation registered with the Charity Commission in England and Wales under charity number 1162099. It was registered on 10 June 2015 and was set up to take forward the activities of Southampton City Mission (charity number 251142). The assets and activities of Southampton City Mission (251142) were transferred to SCM (CIO) on 1st April 2016. Its governing document is the constitution adopted on 10 November 2014.

The objects of the CIO are: to advance the Christian faith for the benefit of the public in accordance with the basic tenets of historical Biblical Christianity; to prevent and relieve poverty in the City of Southampton and its neighbouring area by providing items and services to individuals in need and/or charities, or other organisations working to prevent or relieve poverty; and to advance education for persons of any age by providing or assisting in the development of their mental, physical and moral capabilities through work in schools and other educational institutions and by supporting other charities in England, the UK or abroad.

The projects outlined in this report are undertaken in furtherance of the above objects.

The charity is governed by a board of trustees who delegate the daily running of the charity to a small staff team. A large team of dedicated volunteers are also vital to the delivery of all the charity's services.

During 2017/18 the trustees met 6 times as a board and held additional sub-group meetings to discharge their duties.

MISSIONER'S REPORT

I am constantly amazed at what God has done and continues to do in the city of Southampton through the work of Southampton City Mission. The thousands of children and young people affected by the work in schools through Question of Faith days, Prayer Spaces, Transition and Assemblies. And it's not only the children who are affected but Teachers, Support staff and Parents who hear about what they have been doing.

The thousands of meals and items of clothing provided and lives affected through the work of Basics Bank. The counsel and prayer offered to service users and the opportunity for people to donate.

The hundreds of staff affected by the City Mission's presence through Workplace Chaplaincy and the conversations that take place as 'life happens'.

Jesus' message, compassion and empathy being demonstrated every day.

Of course none of this would be possible without the teams of Staff, Trustees, Volunteers, Donors, Supporters and Prayers. So a massive note of thanks to all involved and praise indeed to our God who sustains us and for whose sake we do it all.

CHAPLAINCY REPORT

The City Missions role in Chaplaincy is three fold.

We lead on Workplace Chaplaincy with responsibility for, at the time of writing, 7 Chaplaincies. These include Staff chaplaincies at Springwell, Rosewood, Vermont, Cedar and St Annes schools, Specsavers regional office and Bradbeers store at Romsey.

We also support Volunteer Chaplains at Taunton's College, Mayflower Theatre, Great Oaks School and Ordnance Survey.

In addition I chair the Chaplaincy in the City steering group in conjunction with Love Southampton, that supports and links Chaplains working in other fields together seeking to provide prayer, support and training.

Chaplaincy, an independent, confidential, pair of ears, there to listen and be a Godly presence in the workplace, hospital, school, older person's home or university.

What an opportunity to get alongside people at some very difficult times in their lives. To hear, to console, to empathise and to be Jesus in that place.

Reports by Chris Davis MBE, City Missioner



The academic year 2017/18 in a snapshot (and 2016/17 differential):

51 Schools visited (+1)
86 Assemblies / Collective Worships delivered (-1)
139 Question of Faith Days (+23)
6 Prayer Spaces (+5)
11 Transition Support Sessions (-5)
650 It's Your Move Booklets handed out to Year 6 pupils (-150)
161 Calendar Days in Schools (+21)
3 Team Leaders trained
31 Volunteers involved

All of which means we were able to speak to around 13,500 pupils

Plans for 2018/19:

- Identification & training of more Team Leaders & Volunteers.
- Strategic planning to enable delivery to schools further afield.
- Review of Team Leader & Volunteer training packages.
- Automatic Booking Process improvements & updates.
- Schools-specific prayer support network establishment.
- Primary Apologetics YouTube Channel creation.
- Team Leader Programme Planning Tool development.
- Continuation of expansion into Secondary support & delivery.

"Fantastic interaction with the children - explaining and recapping learning. Resources were fascinating."

"The whole morning followed the Living Difference Approach and unpacked prophecy in a meaningful way with the children. The whole class were engaged and learning. The outcomes were fantastic and they all learnt well."

"The children have had a positive day, and had a chance to learn about prayer in a way that we could not have provided as teachers. They've had a fantastic day, and have been engaged throughout! It was brilliant!"



Basics Bank has continued to serve those in need of emergency help, with food parcels and clothes, compassion, respect and friendship across Southampton during this financial year.

A stable infrastructure

It has been something of a relief to not have to move any of our six venues this year. The five Basics Banks for food and the single clothing bank are all flourishing in their current venues with excellent churches and committed teams of volunteers serving their communities. The new van has been excellent and enabled a smooth flow of donations and stock between the warehouse and the venues. It is amazing to have such a reliable, economical vehicle and a real treat for our faithful van drivers and driver's mates to have an excellent van to drive.

Universal Credit

Many of our clients this year have been struggling with all the changes to the benefit system that Universal Credit has brought with it. In particular the 5/6 weeks of initial waiting period on a new UC claim where claimants have no recourse to funds. We have also seen some very desperate people who have had benefits cut or removed entirely, especially around disability benefits such as PIP.

As well as providing the food and clothes, our staff and volunteers have offered many a shoulder to cry on and have tried to promote hope and optimism in what can seem like bleak and uncertain futures.

Networks

We have continued to lead and develop the friendly links between neighbouring food banks around Southampton and the Solent with our Southampton Food Bank network. Friends from Fareham, New Forest, Hythe, Bursledon, Totton, Hedge End and Eastleigh all gather a couple of times a year to compare notes, share stories and good ideas and exchange best practice. We have also begun swapping food between us all on a voluntary basis in order to manage shortfalls. This in turn leads to more contact, better relationships, improved communication and support.

In addition to the local network food bank we have remained strong partners with Southampton City Council. Attending the Local Poverty Network and Local Welfare Provision meetings. It is a pleasure to be part of such a joined-up approach to helping those in need in Southampton.

Nationally, we have become members of IFAN, the Independent Food Aid Network, hosting their first annual meeting at Above Bar Church one of our food venues. It was very interesting to meet with food aid practitioners from all over the country and hear of innovative new ideas as well as becoming more organised to be able to lobby government and affect policy.

Encouragement

Jesus said that among us there would always be those who were struggling and he made it clear that it was the privilege of the Church to love, welcome, respect and serve those on the margins of society. This financial year we have fed people 10,062 times and clothed them 1159 times. While we hope and pray that these numbers will go down, we are ever grateful for his provision and presence so that we can help those who need a hand.

Duncan House & David Osborne



Financial Report
for the Year Ended
31 March 2018

Basic Information

Southampton City Mission (CIO) ("the CIO") was formally registered with the Charity Commission on 10 June 2015 (registration number 1162099). The assets, liabilities and activities of Southampton City Mission ("SCM") (registered charity number 251142) were transferred to the CIO with effect from midnight on 31 March 2016. Since that date any amounts received by, and the residual assets of, SCM have been held by SCM on behalf of the CIO and are included in these accounts. Application has been made to the the Charity Commission to remove SCM from the register.

Trustees for the year and up to the date of this report were:

Chris Ford (Chairman)
Greg Bakker (Appointed 22 May 2017, resigned 24 May 2018)
Dave Bartlett
Neil Maddock (Appointed 16 July 2018)
Tim Nutt
David Wagstaff
Margaret White (Resigned 31 January 2018)

City Missioner: Chris Davis

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Financial Statements

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Southampton City Mission (CIO)
Statement of Financial Activity for the year ended 31 March 2018

	Restricted income funds			Unrestricted funds			
	Basics Bank	Schools	Total	General fund	Total all funds	Notes	All funds prior year
	£	£	£	£	£		£
Incoming resources						2	Note 15
Income and endowments from:							
Donations and legacies	311,534	11,166	322,700	145,838	468,538	3.1	446,257
Charitable activities	325		325		325	3.2	212
Other trading activities	4,675		4,675	233	4,908	3.3	2,898
Investments	253		253	393	646	3.4	131
Total	316,787	11,166	327,953	146,464	474,417		449,498
Resources expended						2	
Expenditure on:							
Raising funds	0	0	0	990	990	4.1	387
Charitable activities	313,784	50,697	364,481	35,060	399,541	4.2	383,416
Other			0		0		1,248
Total	313,784	50,697	364,481	36,050	400,531		385,051
Net income/(expenditure)	3,003	-39,531	-36,528	110,414	73,886		64,447
Extraordinary items	-12,774		-12,774	-17,206	-29,980	5	0
Transfers between funds		39,531	39,531	-39,531	0		0
Net movement in funds	-9,771	-0	-9,771	53,677	43,906		64,447
Reconciliation of funds:			0				
Total funds brought forward	101,743	0	101,743	80,362	182,105		117,658
Total funds carried forward	91,972	-0	91,972	134,039	226,011		182,105

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Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2018

	Restricted income funds			Unrestricted funds			
	Basics Bank	Schools	Total	General fund	Total all funds	Notes	All funds prior year
	£	£	£	£	£		£
Fixed assets							
Tangible assets	12,825	0	12,825	1,154	13,979	8	18,295
Current assets							
Stocks	40,000	0	40,000	0	40,000	10	35,000
Debtors	8,018	1,170	9,188	9,738	18,926	11	11,466
Investments	20,000	0	20,000	40,000	60,000	9	60,000
Cash at bank and in hand	18,863	1,925	20,788	84,316	105,104	13	75,226
Total current assets	86,881	3,095	89,976	134,054	224,030		181,692
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	7,734	3,095	10,829	1,169	11,998	12	17,882
Net current assets	79,147	0	79,147	132,885	212,032		163,810
Total net assets	91,972	0	91,972	134,039	226,011		182,105
Funds of the Charity						14	
Restricted income funds	91,972	0	91,972	0	91,972		101,743
Unrestricted funds				134,039	134,039		80,362
Total funds	91,972	0	91,972	134,039	226,011		182,105

Southampton City Mission (CIO)
Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2018

1. Basis of preparation

- 1.1. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and with the Charities Act 2011. The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.
- 1.2. This is the first time that SCM has prepared accounts explicitly in conformity with FRS 102. However, adoption of FRS 102 has only resulted in presentational differences. Comparatives have been shown on a consistent basis with the current year.
- 1.3. The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis, under the historical cost convention. As noted above, the activities, assets and liabilities of the charity were transferred from Southampton City Mission as a going concern with effect from the start of the previous accounting period. The activities are dependent on donation income and, as a consequence, the going concern basis for the charitable activities is dependent on donation income continuing.
- 1.4. Income includes residual amounts received by SCM on behalf of the CIO and these have been included in the relevant categories of type of donor, restricted funds etc.

2. Accounting policies

- 2.1. Income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when:
 - the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
 - it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources; and
 - the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.
- 2.2. There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.
- 2.3. Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS102 SORP).
- 2.4. Gift Aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor. Any Gift Aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise. Gift Aid in note 3 below includes amounts recovered on donations made via third parties.

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- 2.5. Donated goods are measured at fair value (the amount for which the asset could be exchanged) unless impractical to do so, in accordance with FRS 102 SORP. For SCM, the trustees consider that it is impractical to value the stock of donated goods on receipt. However, it is possible to estimate the fair value of goods distributed with reasonable accuracy and this is recognised as an expense. In the case of donated food it is also possible to estimate the value of stock on hand at the balance sheet date. Therefore, the value of goods donated for distribution to beneficiaries, which is recognised as income in these accounts, is taken to be the difference between the opening and closing stock and the value of goods distributed, as adjusted for purchased stock which is recorded at cost.

In relation to donated clothes, the trustees have concluded that it is impractical to value the stock. However, it is possible to give an estimate of the value of a typical package of clothes provided to a beneficiary and so this amount multiplied by the number of people clothed has been included in both incoming resources and resources expended.

- 2.6. The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.
- 2.7. Bank interest is included on a receivable basis.
- 2.8. Insurance claims are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS 102 SORP) and are netted off against the associated cost where this falls in the same accounting period.
- 2.9. Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.
- 2.10. The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts.
- 2.11. The charity has received grants to fund particular items of expense and these have been recognised as income in the period in which the relevant expense is incurred. Any unmatched grant at the balance sheet date is recorded as a liability.
- 2.12. The policy for including items within the relevant activity categories of resources expended is to allocate costs to the most appropriate activity. In particular the policy for including items within costs of generating funds, charitable activities and governance costs is:

Costs of generating funds

The costs of raising and generating funds includes the incidental costs of staging various fund raising events.

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure includes all expenditure directly related to the objects of the charity.

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Governance costs

Governance costs include all expenditure directly related to the administration of the charity including expenditure incurred in the management of the charity's assets, organisational administration and compliance with charitable and statutory requirements.

2.13. Tangible fixed assets are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £250 and are valued at cost. The depreciation rates and methods used are disclosed in Note 8.1.

2.14. The only investment is a bank deposit which can be withdrawn at three months notice.

2.15. Stocks of donated goods are recorded at fair value (see also note 2.5).

3. Analysis of incoming resources

3.1. Donations and legacies may be analysed as follows;

	Restricted income funds			Unrestricted funds			
	Basics Bank	Schools	Total	General fund	Total all funds	Notes	All funds prior year
	£	£	£	£	£		£
Cash donations and gifts from individuals	10,461	3,502	13,963	90,762	104,725		105,539
Gift Aid	1,016	674	1,690	15,075	16,766	2.4	16,019
Cash donations and gifts from churches	21,728	2,490	24,218	34,740	58,959		39,557
Cash donations and gifts from others	12,197	0	12,197	4,960	17,158		22,305
Grants	18,168	4,500	22,668	300	22,968		32,773
Donated goods	247,963	0	247,963	0	247,963	2.5	230,064
	311,534	11,166	322,700	145,838	468,538		446,257

3.2. Income from charitable activities represents charges made to recover the cost of issuing paper food vouchers to referral agents.

3.3. Income from other trading activities represents miscellaneous income including sale of surplus donated clothes and stamps and coins.

3.4. Investment income represents interest on a short term bank deposit.

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4. Analysis of resources expended

4.1. Expenditure on raising funds represents the cost of entry to sponsored fundraising events.

4.2. Expenditure on charitable activities may be analysed as follows:

		Restricted income funds			Unrestricted funds			
		Basics Bank	Schools	Total	General fund	Total all funds	Notes	All funds prior year
		£	£	£	£	£		£
	Costs of employment	42,980	43,225	86,205	30,083	116,288	7.1	117,371
	Premises costs and equipment	17,291	3,431	20,722	150	20,872	8.1	16,052
	Admin expenses	2,193	780	2,973	2,445	5,418		5,726
	Travelling, subsistence etc.	94	1,014	1,108	1,259	2,367		2,024
	Transport	4,510	0	4,510	0	4,510		3,668
	Volunteer expenses	782	270	1,052	0	1,052		979
	Schools work materials	0	1,384	1,384	0	1,384		1,833
	Other expenses	2,134	593	2,727	1,123	3,850		1,763
Total		69,984	50,697	120,681	35,060	155,741		149,416
Donations made in kind							2.5	
	Food	184,800	0	184,800	0	184,800		155,000
	Clothes	59,000	0	59,000	0	59,000		79,000
Total donations made in kind		243,800	0	243,800	0	243,800		234,000
Total charitable activities		313,784	50,697	364,481	35,060	399,541		383,416

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- 4.3. Costs are apportioned between restricted income funds based on the trustees' estimate of the extent to which the cost relates to the relevant activity. In particular, employment costs are allocated on the basis of time spent and office costs on the basis of usage.

5. Extraordinary item

The charity was the victim of a fraud, the cost of which has been allocated between restricted and unrestricted funds in proportion to the level of those funds immediately prior to the fraud.

6. Governance costs and Independent Examiner's fee

Included in administrative expenses is £834 (2017 - £800) in relation to the estimated fee for the independent examination. There are no other material governance or support costs.

7. Paid employees

- 7.1. Staff costs may be analysed as follows:

	2017/18	2016/17
	£	£
Salary	92,426	90,944
Pension contributions	7,396	7,025
Accommodation costs	11,849	15,161
Employer's National Insurance	4,617	4,241
Total	<u>116,288</u>	<u>117,371</u>

- 7.2. At the year end there were one full and four part time employees, being 3.5 Full Time Equivalents (2017 – two and three, 4 FTEs). Their employment costs have been allocated to Basics Bank, Schools Work, and other activities on the basis of the time spent on each activity.

8. Fixed assets

- 8.1. Details of fixed assets and their associated depreciation are as follows:

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	Computers	Van	Boiler	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost brought forward	3,270	17,100	1,896	22,266
Additions	0	0	0	0
Cost carried forward	3,270	17,100	1,896	22,266
Depreciation brought forward	3,010	855	106	3,971
Charge for year	260	3,420	636	4,316
Depreciation carried forward	3,270	4,275	742	8,287
Net book value brought forward	260	16,245	1,790	18,295
Net book value carried forward	0	12,825	1,154	13,979

8.2. Depreciation is charged on a straight line basis over the following periods:

- 8.2.1. Computers - four years
- 8.2.2. Van - five years
- 8.2.3. Boiler - remaining life of the lease

9. Investments

In both the current and prior year, this represents a cash deposit in a three month notice account.

10. Stocks

Stocks are held solely for charitable purposes and the figure represents the value of donated food for distribution to beneficiaries.

Brought forward	Donated in period	Purchased in period	Expensed in period	Closing stock
£	£	£	£	£
35,000	188,963	837	184,800	40,000

11. Debtors and prepayments

Debtors consist of:

	2017/18	2016/17
	£	£
Rent deposit and in advance	4,712	4,712
Grant receivable (SCC)	2,500	2,500
Gift Aid recoverable	7,567	2,049
Accrued interest receivable	300	-
Other	3,847	2,206
Total	18,926	11,467

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Creditors falling due within one year consist of:

	2017/18	2016/17
	£	£
Deferred income	7,687	7,855
Tax and Social Security	2,327	1,757
Other	1,984	8,270
Total	<u>11,998</u>	<u>17,882</u>

Deferred income represents grants received in as advance as noted at 2.11 above.

Brought forward	Received in period	Released in period	Carried forward
£	£	£	£
7,855	10,000	10,168	7,687

13. Cash at bank and in hand

This represents current account and petty cash balances

14. Funds

The charity maintains two restricted income funds where donations have been made specifically towards the operation of Basics Bank or towards Schools work.

In addition there is a general, unrestricted fund which is available to support any of the charitable activities undertaken.

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15. Prior year fund movements

The movements on the restricted funds in the prior year may be analysed as follows:

	Restricted income funds			Unrestricted funds	
	Basics Bank	Schools	Total	General fund	Total all funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Incoming resources					
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	328,466	14,719	343,185	101,360	444,545
Charitable activities	212		212		212
Other trading activities	3,110	0	3,110	1,500	4,610
Investments	30	0	30	101	131
Total	331,818	14,719	346,537	102,961	449,498
Resources expended					
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	0	0	0	387	387
Charitable activities	297,096	52,978	350,074	33,342	383,416
Other	0	0	0	1,248	1,248
Total	297,096	52,978	350,074	34,977	385,051
Net income/(expenditure)	34,722	-38,259	-3,537	67,984	64,447
Transfers between funds		38,259	38,259	-38,259	0
Net movement in funds	34,722	0	34,722	29,725	64,447
Reconciliation of funds:			0		
Total funds brought forward	67,013	0	67,013	50,645	117,658
Total funds carried forward	101,735	0	101,735	80,370	182,105

16. Transactions with related parties

16.1. Transactions with trustees

None of the trustees has been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with this charity or a related entity. None of the trustees has been paid any expenses in the current or in the prior year.

16.2. Transactions with other related parties

Consistent with a number of churches, the charity rented a property owned by the City Missioner and his wife from them at market value and provided it back to him as employment-related living accommodation. The total rent paid in the year was £11,849 (2016-17 - £15,161). This arrangement ceased during the year.

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17. Reserves Policy:

The Trustees believe that the CIO should hold sufficient balances on its general account to allow it to continue operating even if there was a significant reduction in the level of giving. The Trustees believe that the minimum level of these balances should be the equivalent of three months' operating costs calculated and reviewed annually – on the basis of the budget for 2018/19 this will be in the order of £40,000. The Balance Sheet at 31 March 2018 shows that the unrestricted fund balance was £134,000.

Statement of Public Benefit:

Because we are legally a “smaller charity” and below the audit threshold, we must include only a brief summary in our Annual Report of the main activities undertaken - you can find that in the main report.

As the Trustees of the charity we confirm that we have had regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance, where relevant.

The Objects of the Charity – as set out in its Constitution – are:

1. To advance the Christian faith for the benefit of the public in accordance with the basic tenets of historical Biblical Christianity.
2. To prevent and relieve poverty in the City of Southampton and its neighbouring area by providing: items and services to individuals in need and/or charities, or other organisations working to prevent or relieve poverty.
3. To advance education for persons of any age by providing or assisting in the development of their mental, physical and moral capabilities through work in schools and other educational institutions and by supporting other charities in England, the UK or abroad.

We consider that the first object above passes the “public benefit test” because advancing the Christian faith in our community has a positive impact on the moral and ethical behaviour of those with whom we come in contact. Objects 2 and 3 are the outworking of this in the provision of emergency food and clothing via Basics Bank, to which referrals are made by public sector agencies and other charities, irrespective of ethnic origin, faith (or none) or other factors, and by the work done in schools at the invitation of Head Teachers.

Furthermore, our Christian faith and our relationship with God – as Father, Son and Holy Spirit - gives meaning to our lives and encourages us to live in such a way as to benefit the wider society by being good citizens and following the Bible's teaching on how we should conduct ourselves in society.

Approved on behalf of the Board of Trustees:

Chairman Chris Ford

Trustee David Wagstaff

Date 14 January 2019

**Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Southampton City Mission (CIO)
(Registered Charity number 1162099) on the accounts for the year ended 31 March
2018 set out on pages 2 to 12.**

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with 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. The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Association of Accounting Technicians.

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

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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 matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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