# SHIRLEY CHRISTADELPHIAN ECCLESIA TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2018

The ecclesia was registered with the Charity Commission with effect from the 2nd January 2018 in accordance with the requirements of the 2006 Charity Act.

#### **SECTION A: Reference and administration details**

Charity Name: Shirley Christadelphian Ecclesia

Registered Charity Number: 1176468

Charity's principle address: 88 Rodborough Road, Dorridge, Solihull, B93 8EQ

Names of the trustees:

Allen Paul; Secretary

- Philip Hayes; Assistant Secretary
- Roderick Bayley
- Julian Brown
- Joseph Harris
- David Kirby
- Joseph Mullen

# **SECTION B: Structure, Governance and Management**

Type of Governing Document:

Constitution comprising Governing Document and Practices and Procedures statement approved 16 July 2017 following a ballot of members.

The Charity is an unincorporated association with an annual turnover of over £25,000

Trustee selection method:

Annual election by members

Additional information:

The Trustees form an arranging committee responsible for the activities of the ecclesia.

They are chosen from members familiar with the objectives and activities of the ecclesia. The ecclesia is part of a worldwide community of Christadelphian Ecclesias.

#### **SECTION C: Objectives and Activities**

The objects of the Charity:

To advance Bible-based Christian faith to the glory of God and the honour of Jesus Christ in accordance with the Christadelphian Birmingham Amended Statement of Faith, for the benefit of the Christadelphian community and members of the public, particularly in and around Solihull.

Ways of carrying out these objectives:

Holding meetings, open to the public, for worship, prayer, breaking of bread by Christadelphians and Bible teaching;

Preaching to the public through personal engagement and/or by invitations to preaching/teaching meetings and/or by other means;

Engaging with the local public through the provision of Sunday School and/or youth club(s) and/or other occasional activities;

Engaging with the wider Christadelphian community and wider public through periodic collections for charitable needs, including collections for disaster relief;

Serving, to the extent feasible, the pastoral and other welfare needs of Ecclesial members and others.

With the exception of meetings of the members of the Charity, known as Ecclesial Members Meetings, all our activities are open to all. No fees are charged. No-one receives private benefits from the Charity other than as a legitimate beneficiary. There is no public detriment in any of our activities.

#### **SECTION D: Achievements and Performance**

The ecclesia ended the year with a membership of 95 adult members.

The average attendance of members at services and other activities remained steady.

### Summary of activities:

Our regular meetings include two meetings each Sunday, the first for sharing bread and wine, and the second for the proclamation of the Gospel. A meeting is held each Tuesday evening for the study of the Bible. Other proclamation meetings are held from time to time.

There are regular activities for fellowship and recreation.

There is a network of practical support for elderly members, the sick and those with particular needs.

There are regular activities for young people providing religious teaching, social and networking activities.

#### **SECTION E: Financial Review**

The cash movements and balances are summarised in the receipts and payments account and Balance Sheet below.

During the year, urgent major repairs were required to the roof of the building. A loan of £13,000 was taken from the Christadelphian Halls and Building Society to enable the work to be carried out. Collections and donations have enabled a good start in repaying the loan.

The ecclesia does not have a reserves policy. All funds are held in instant access bank accounts. The balance in these funds at the end of the year was considered sufficient to meet the ongoing expenses of the ecclesia. Contributions from members are made through regular collections and standing order payments with tax payers encouraged to use Gift Aid provision. Funds donated specifically for external charities are forwarded to the relevant organisations within three months of the donation.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

Secretary

**Assistant Secretary** 

#### SHIRLEY CHRISTADELPHIAN ECCLESIA RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2018

Receipts  Members Contributions  HMRC Gift Aid  Rent  Donations  Loan/Grant  Publications  Miscellaneous  Total Receipts	Unrestricted General Fund £ 8,086 1,562 701 358
Payments Publications	1,456
Post and Stationery	44
Utilities	2,789
Speakers Expnses	375
Wine	410
Catering	765
Cleaning	475
Car Park Fees	714
Insurance	969
Sunday School	1,603
Youth Circle	477
Appeals	150
Charities	
Repairs and Maintenance	
Preaching	
Welfare	
Other Expenses	1,617
Total Expenditure	11,843
Surplus/Deficit	-1,135
Balances 1 October 2017	4,888
Balances 30 September 2018	3,753

Restricted Funds			Total	Total	
Welfare	Preaching	Building	External	Funds	Funds
			Charities	2,018	2,017
£	£	£	£	£	£
4.044	2 440	6.070	44 704	20.270	20.702
1,014	2,418	6,979	11,781	30,279	28,793
139	885	1,359	1,513	5,458	5,564
		3,120		3,120	3,070
		4,800		4,800	0
		13,000		13,000	0
				701	747
				358	776
1,153	3,304	29,258	13,294	57,716	38,951
				1,456	1,362
				44	188
				2,789	2,399
				375	700
				410	331
				765	735
				475	234
				714	497
				969	902
				1,603	2,020
				477	473
				150	200
			16,865	16,865	9,838
		15,466		15,466	1,352
	2,355			2,355	4,176
734				734	1,246
				1,617	1,559
734	2,355	15 466	16 965	47,264	20 212
/34	2,335	15,466	16,865	47,204	28,212
419	948	13,792	-3,571	10,452	10,738
4,870	3,797	7,255	5,691	26,501	15,763
5,288	4,745	21,047	2,120	36,954	26,501

#### STATEMENT OF ASSETS

Bank Current Account Bank Deposit Accounts Cash to bank 35,109 25,126 1,330 1,329 515 46 36,954 26,501

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

Secretary Allen Paul

Treasurer Rick Cannings

Date 8 May 2019

# Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Shirley Christadelphian Ecclesia

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 30 September 2018 which are set out on page 3 of the annual report.

# Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. 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
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act
- 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 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 next statement.

# 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 of the 2011 Act and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act 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

Michael Ward

Date

9 May 2019

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