

## Winslow Christian Fellowship

### Trustees' Annual Report

1st September 2018 to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2019

#### Administration details.

Charity number 1172013

Address 92 High Street, Winslow, Buckinghamshire MK183DBQ

Trustees Colin Poyntz

Margaret Martin

Susan Sawyer

#### Structure , governance and management.

Governing document - (CIO ASSOCIATION registered 13 March 2017

A Charitable Trust

Formal meetings are held monthly

Winslow Christian fellowship is affiliated to the Federation of Independent Evangelical Churches (FIEC). This organisation provides both advice and practical support. The Church continues to have the benefit of a full time Pastor. This is the only paid member.

#### Objectives.

The advancement of the Christian Faith locally and in such other parts of the UK or the World as the Trustees may from time to time consider appropriate This is carried out in accordance with Winslow Christian Fellowship's Statement of Faith, including values, priorities, practice and leadership standards.

The relief of the poor and needy, the sick and elderly in Winslow and in other parts of the UK and the world as the Trustees may consider appropriate.

The furtherance of religious or secular education.

#### Activities .

The weekly provision of services of Worship open to all members of the public. These are advertised on social media and in local town magazines.

Weekly teaching of the Christian Faith and values , locally and internationally, via. the web site.

Regular provision of pastoral care and prayer support for those needing/requesting it; such as the sick , elderly and people with special needs. Regular provision of food, and occasional provision of finance, to support local poor and needy,, including members of the Church. All of the above activities are supported and carried out in the main, by around 30 volunteers. These people come from different backgrounds, ages , gender and nationalities. Some of the activities are carried out in partnership with the other churches in the Town. In accordance with the Christian principle of tithing, it is policy of the Church to use 10% of

income to support known individuals and organisations working abroad or at home in evangelical or outreach positions.

## **Achievements and performance**

### **Advancement of the Christian Faith**

We continue to meet in a local school. The Church was able to provide weekly services of worship, and mid-week activities, for all weeks of the year. Worship included and involved up to 30 adults and children. The number of members actively taking part in the services has remained steady at about 25 to 30. The weekly teaching sermon is shared publicly by the web site. An occasional afternoon service has continued with an informal setting and addressing questions often asked by non-Christians. These were open to all and well advertised. Several small groups continued to meet weekly for study, prayer and mutual support.

To strengthen our fellowship 30 members of the Church attended a Week End Away together studying their faith and enjoying each other's company. In the Summer a day outing was organised.

Children's work mainly takes place within the Sunday morning service. An after school club titled 'Launch Pad' involving Bible exploration activities continued throughout the year. This was advertised and open to all Primary aged pupils in the town.

Financial support is given to a local charitable organisation which aids schools in the teaching of Christianity and the exploration of social and personal issues. Financial support is also given to The Christian Unions in Universities.

Members of the Church continue to meet with members of the other Churches in the town for prayer, study and joint activities. The Church has a stall at the Winslow Show. At Christmas we joined with other Churches for an open air service in the new estate. At Easter we took part in the Town's Walk of Witness, an event initiated by Winslow Christian Fellowship.

Additionally, similar worship and prayer and pastoral support continued for adults living in a Special Needs Centre. A fortnightly visit is made to the Shaftesbury Home to meet and talk to the adults with learning difficulties.

In November we organised a 'Walk through the Bible' event which attracted 35 people. This attracted people from all churches, some from outside the area. We propose to organise a second such event next year next year.

## **Relief of the poor, needy and vulnerable Training and Education.**

### **Locally**

The Church continues to collect food and money for the local Food Bank. Financial and practical help has been given to a local food kitchen for children in the school holidays.

Support is given to a local charity which visits schools to aid them in the teaching of Christianity and the exploration of social and personal matters

Nationally and internationally.

Monthly Communion collections are taken to support other Christian charities, locally, nationally, and internationally . We continue to support , both financially and in prayer, three Christian evangelical workers ; one in Nigeria, one in Rumanda and one in Romania, all of which occasionally make visits to the church.

Members of the Church attend various national, local conferences and celebration days.

**Finance**

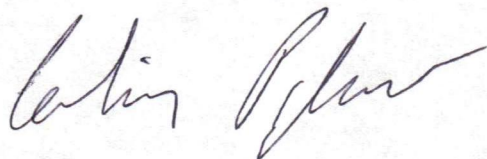
In accordance with Christian principles we do not seek to store up treasure on earth. However, in order to be prudent we follow a guideline of holding a bank balance at least sufficient to cover three months average expenditure.

The charity's income is mainly from voluntary gifts from Church members and supporters. No fund raising activities or trading have been undertaken, hence no costs of generating voluntary receipts or fundraising trading are reported in the financial statements. During the beginning of the year rental income has been received from the residential property owned by the charity. The Pastor has now begun to live in the house and rental income has ceased.

The charity's expenditure is directed solely to the objectives stated above.

Donations were made to other charities/Christian organisations to help with relief of the poor, needy and oppressed.

**The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees, report above.**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Casting' followed by a stylized surname.



Section B

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

**B1 Cash funds**

Details	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £
GENERAL	20 820		
MANSE		6 572	
COMMUNION		11	
<i>Total cash funds</i> <i>(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))</i>		6 583	

**B2 Other monetary assets**

Details	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £

**B3 Investment assets**

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)

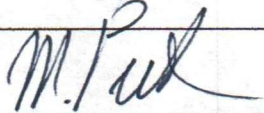
**B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use**

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)

**B5 Liabilities**

Details	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
	MICHAEL PECK	23 April 20
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# Independent examiner's report on the accounts



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

WINSLOW CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

On accounts for the year  
ended

31<sup>st</sup> August 2019

Charity no  
(if any)

1172013

Set out on pages

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 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities 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 [named body]]. *Delete [ ] if not applicable.*

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities 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 matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed below \*)

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 Charities Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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.

\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

*Zoe Sutherland*

Date:

23/3/20

Name:

ZOE SUTHERLAND

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

CPFA

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Winstow  
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**Section B Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.(E.g. accounting records have not been kept in accordance with s132 of the Charities' Act 2011 and those accounts do not comply with the requirements of the 2008 Regulations setting out the form and content of charity accounts; any material expenditure or action which appears not to be in accordance with the trusts of the charity; any failure to be provided with information and explanations by any past or present trustee, officer or employee; and any material consistency between the accounts and the trustees' annual report.)