### Liberty Community Church, Year 2023



Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees

New Trustees are nominated for appointment by the existing Trustees. There is no fixed term for Trusteeship. Prior to their appointment, new Trustees would have served the church for some time in various roles and would be familiar with the church's values, its aims and objectives as well as its day-to-day operations.

Status of Charity & Governing Document

Liberty Community Church is established by Constitution. During 2005 the name was changed from Viewpark Christian Fellowship, due to a change of location, to Liberty Community Church. The church has a body of Elders who serve as Trustees plus an additional non-elder Trustee The Elders are responsible for all operational policy and strategy matters. Deacons are also appointed to help assist in both the running and spiritual welfare of the church.

Charitable Purpose

The aims of Liberty Community Church are as follows:

- 1. To spread the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ especially in the Bellshill area.
- 2. To establish a centre of Christian witness and community involvement where people can find help & encouragement.
- 3. To stimulate missionary vision.

**Activities and Achievements** 

COVID-19 like many organisations impacted the church and the church has been very much in recovery mode since all restrictions in meeting have been lifted. During COVID we met adhering to COVID-19 guidance and properly risk assessed but since then we have been able to meet and continue to meet regularly for Worship, Bible Study, Prayer & Fellowship and carry out various activities in pursuit of the above stated aims. We have been able to continue our normal activities which includes the following:

- · Ladies group
- · Holiday club for children in the community
- Supporting mission work both in the United Kingdom and overseas.
- To assist & work in the community at various levels (one to one, community events etc)
- To continue to improve the church facilities to enable wider use in the community.

We do hope that during the period 24/25 we will be able to extend out work in the community. We are also considering the possibility of employment of a community worker/pastoral worker.

#### **Trustee Remuneration and Expenses**

The trustees did not receive any remuneration or expenses during the year.

#### Reserves

As a result of the surplus for the year, the charity held unrestricted funds of £58,365 at the 2023-year end.

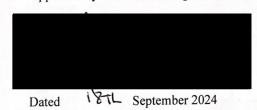
The trustees consider that the general fund of £58,365 will enable us to continue to operate and meets our aims and objectives for another year.

#### COVID-19

The COVID 19 pandemic impacted the activities of the church through. Despite this the church still maintains a significant level of reserves to continue the work of the church into the future.

Over the past 3 years we have continued to improve the church building facilities, and this continued into 2024.

Approved by Trustees and Signed on their behalf



Year	2023	2022
Opening Balance (surplus b/f from previous year) (A)	52,035	47,273
Giving - Bank and Cash	26,106	19,201
Pastoral refund	400	
NLC Grant /hall lets		
Tax Reclaim(see note below)	3,000	2,500
Total Receipts for Year (B)	29,506	21,701
Expenditure for the Year:		
Support	500	800
Speakers	1,540	1,225
Mission	0	810
Insurance	1,944	1,800
Gas /Electrcity/Water	2,349	1,887
Youthwork	2,258	1,421
Computing & Copyright	1,790	2,132
Pastoral	746	640
Publicity/Printing	910	416
Compassion/Tear Fund	300	275
Sundries (including catering)	1,129	1,982
Maintenance	9,711	3,551
Total Expenditure(C)	23,176	16,939
Surplus for the Year (Total Receipts less Total Expenditure) (B-C)	6,330	4,762
Surplus c/f to next Year (A+B-C)	58,365	52,035

## Notes to the accounts:

Gift Aid Accrued 2021	3,750
Gift Aid Accrued 2022	2,500
Gift Aid Accrued 2023	3,000
Total Surplus	58,365
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-Holiday Club	500
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Food , Materials , Publicity -Holiday Club	1,226
Marantha Camp	2,258
Pastoral	250
Emergency Accommodation	150
Bellshill Academy	250
Hampers,flowers etc	95
	745
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Printing & Publicity	
Youth Bibles	61
Ladies Bible Study	99
GLO, Postcards ,Banners etc	390
Prayer Course materials	360 910
Maintenance Door	1,514
Dishwasher	374
Keys	50
Alarmco New Security	1,521
Alarmco Maintenance	294
Asco Fire Extinguishers	357
Electrician	400
Microwave	100
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# **Liberty Community Church**

## Statement of Balances as at 31 December 2023

Closing Bank Balance 31/12/22	52,035
Surplus for 2023	6,330
Closing Bank Balance 31/12/23	58,365
Assets	£35,000
Building	£350,000



Dated 18th September 2024

Approved by Trustees and Church AGM and Signed on their behalf



Dated 18th September 2024

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023 which are set out on pages 1 to 6.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charities trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustees Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity trustees consider that the audit requirements of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act and to state whether the particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. 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 included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required if an audit, and consequently I do not express and audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

**Independent Examiners Statement** 

In the course of 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 44(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and
- To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9
  of the 2006 Accounts Regulations have not been met,

or

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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Date: 18 H. September 2024