

1. CHARITY: BYFLEET CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES
2. ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2011

#### **Reference and Administrative Details**

3. Registered Charity (No. 1067221)
4. The registered address of the congregation is The Kingdom Hall 145 High Road, Byfleet, Surrey, KT14 7RJ
5. On the date this report was approved, the congregation was administered by the following trustees:

Chairman:	Brother Geoffrey Hambly
Secretary:	Brother Graham Bramhall
Other Trustees:	Brother Graham Hambly
	Brother John Edwards
	Brother Michael Hardy
	Brother Alfred Wisdom
	Brother Wayne Hind
	Brother Robert Thompson
	Brother Mark Whetstone
	Brother Colin Fisher
	Brother Giancarlo Buson
	Brother Timothy Hudson
	Brother Antonio Iacovelli
	Brother Steve Marrant

6. The Kingdom Hall in 145 High Road, Byfleet, Surrey is held in trust for the congregation by The Kingdom Hall Trust.
7. The congregation is an unincorporated association constituted by Memorandum of Constitution dated 16<sup>th</sup> May 1997('the Constitution'). The congregation is affiliated with the Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society of Britain (the society)

New trustees are selected by the existing trustees from among congregation members, and are duly appointed pursuant to the Constitution.

The affairs of the congregation are managed by the trustees who as members of the charity work closely together and meetings are called whenever required, but at least three times a year. All major decisions are made by formal resolutions at meetings of congregation members as provided by the Constitution

The trustees and other persons engaged in the activities of the congregation have done so on a voluntary unpaid basis.

#### **Objects and Activities and Public Benefit**

8. The Constitution restricts the operation of the congregation to religious purposes and limits the use of its assets to such purposes: It defines the objects of the Congregation as 'the practice and advancement of Christianity founded on the Holy Bible including the preaching of the good news of God's Kingdom by Jesus Christ within the Congregation area and the holding of meetings for public Christian worship'. For this purpose the Congregation undertakes the following activities: Holding and arranging

meetings for public religious worship; Teaching of the Bible and the gospel of Christ at these public meetings; Teaching and preaching the gospel to the public within the congregation area; Distribution of Bibles and other religious literature to the public in the congregation area.

These meetings are provided, and ministry engaged in, without charge to adherents or the general public, both provide opportunities for fellowship along with the praise and worship of God. They serve to advance religious education among both Christians and the wider public by providing training in reading, teaching, and applying the Bible. Further, through the teaching principles of Christian living, which include respect for secular authority, persons, and property, and the maintenance of personal morality and family values, individuals are aided to change their lives in harmony with such principles. This affords those who follow the teachings of Jesus an improved moral climate, better marital, employer-employee, and social relationships, and greater happiness and contentment.

The trustees confirm that they have taken into consideration Charity Commission guidance on public benefit in exercising their powers or duties.

#### **Achievements, Performance and Financial Review**

9. The Congregation is primarily funded by voluntary donations made by the Congregation members and others, supplemented by income from investments.

Throughout the year such funds have been used to provide facilities for the holding of regular weekly meetings for worship and Bible study. Donations have been made by congregation members towards the cost of circuit assemblies and other conventions held in the year. Funds have also been donated to the Society (and to other duly constituted congregations) to assist them in carrying out their related religious purposes.

10. Of particular significance in the financial affairs of the congregation were the resolutions of £114 to support travelling overseers, and a donation to Wokingham congregation of £10,000 towards their Kingdom Hall refurbishment.

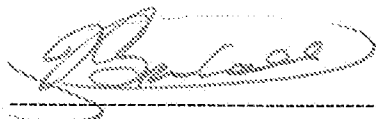
11. The charity has a consistent income base, through donations from congregation members, some of which is by tax effective means. Based on this income, we can plan confidently with relatively small reserves. The policy is to ensure that we have free reserves on hand, not designated for specific purposes or otherwise committed, equivalent to not less than three months working expenditure. At the year end, the free reserves were roughly equal to 15 months working expenditure.

12. These funds are held to finance the future activities of the congregation. There are no funds held subject to restrictions on their use, however funds are set aside for the purchase of a new Kingdom Hall site.

- 20 Approved by the Trustees of the charity on 14<sup>th</sup> April 2011 and signed on its behalf by:

Signed:

  
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Chairman


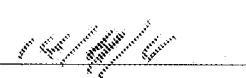
  
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Secretary

The BYFLEET Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses

Inland Revenue Tax Reference No. XN78285 Registered Charity No 1067221

**ANNUAL RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT: YEAR TO MARCH 31, 2011**

<u>RECEIPTS:</u>		Previous Year
(Voluntary Sources)		
Congregation Contributions	£ 2,948.66	£ 1,566.26
Tax repayment	£	£ 0
Congregation Deeds of Covenant	£ 0	£ 0
Congregation Gift Aid	£ 2,260.00	£ 2,540.00
Legacies	£ 21,472.24	£ 0
Sub-total:	£ 26,680.90	
(Income from Assets)		
Interests from Investments	£ 2.64	£ 0
Rents from Property	£ 0	£ 0
Sub-total:	£	
(Misc. Receipts)		
Proceeds from sale of assets	£ 0	£ 0
Loans received	£ 0	£ 0
Other ( )	£ 0	£ 34.00
Sub-total	£	
<b>Total Receipts:</b>	<b>£ 26,683.54</b>	<b>£ 4,050.26</b>
<u>PAYMENTS:</u>		
(Direct Charitable Expenditure)		
Donation to IBSA/Watch Tower Society (Associated Registered Charities)	£ 10,600.00	£ 600.00
Other Donations (e.g. Pioneer Ministers School, Circuit Funds)	£ 0	£ 350.00
(Other Expenditure)		
Kingdom Hall Operation and Maintenance	£ 9,039.96	£ 10,876.31
Circuit and Visiting Minister Expenses	£ 114.00	£ 786.00
(Payments for Investment and Other Assets)		
Long term investments (tied up for a year)	£ 0	£ 0
Equipment purchased for Kingdom Hall	£ 0	£ 0
Purchase of Land/Buildings in Connection with Place of Worship	£ 0	£ 0
(Misc. Payments)		
Loan Repayment to the Society re Kingdom Hall Building	£ 0	£ 0
Other (Resolutions +coach hire= parking tickets)	£ 933.00	£ 60.00
<b>Total Payments:</b>	<b>£ 20,686.96</b>	<b>£ 12,572.31</b>
Net receipts (expense) for the year	£ 5,996.58	£ (8,522.05)
Bank and cash balances at April 1, 2010	£ 242,111.55	£ 250,633.60
Bank and cash balances at March 31, 2011	£ 248,108.13	£ 242,111.55

Signed  Date 

Secretary for the trustees of the Byfleet Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses.