

TRUSTEES' REPORT and ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

1. FOLKESTONE CHERITON CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

2. ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2018

Reference and Administrative Details

3. Registered Charity No. 1065929

4. The registered address of the congregation is Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses Parkfield Road, Folkestone, Kent, CT19 5BY

5. On the date this report was approved, the congregation was administered by the following trustees:

Chairman: Ben Keshav

Secretary: Calvin Peters

Other trustees: Daniel Aiano, Maurice Hilsdon, Philip Tillyer, Brad Smith

Roy Merritt also served as a trustee up until October 2017 when he moved from the congregation area. Merford Jingoree and Anthony Quinn has also served as trustees but have moved from the congregation area in 2018.

6. The Kingdom Hall in Parkfield Road, Folkestone, is held in trust for the congregation by The Kingdom Hall Trust.

Structure, Governance and Management

7. The congregation is an unincorporated association constituted by Memorandum of Constitution dated 16 May 1997 ('the Constitution'). The congregation is affiliated with 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 for in the Constitution. The trustees and other persons engaged in the activities of the congregation have done so on a voluntary unpaid basis.

Objectives, Activities and Public Benefit

8. The Constitution restricts the operation of the congregation and the use of its assets to religious 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: Arranging meetings for public worship, which includes Bible education and training in Christian living, Preaching the Christian message to the public within the congregation area. Distributing Bibles and other religious literature. All of these services and facilities are provided without charge.

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 of 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 congregation members and others, supplemented by bank interest. 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 to assist them in carrying out their related religious purposes.

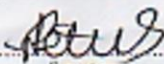
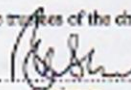
10. Of particular significance in the financial affairs of the congregation was the expenditure of the following:
£ 8021.34 for the maintenance and running costs of the Kingdom Hall,
£ 4952.29 other costs (Assembly's, Circuit fund, KHAA, Coaches, etc.)
£ 492.96 in contributions to the Society.
£ 4500.00 into Maintenance Fund.

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 on reserves is to ensure that we have free reserves on hand, not designated for specific purposes or otherwise committed, equivalent to not less than 3 months working expenditure. At the year-end, the free reserves were roughly equal to 10 months working expenditure.

12. These funds are held to finance the future activities of the congregation.

13. Approved by the trustees of the charity on 3 July 2018 and signed on its behalf by:

Signed



Folkestone Cheriton Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses
 Annual Receipts and Payments Account for Year Ended
 March 31, 2018

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	Unrestricted Funds 2018 £	Total Funds 2017 £
Receipts		
Voluntary sources		
Donations for local congregation expenses	10,051	
Gift Aid reclaimed from HMRC	1,356	
Investment income		
Interest		
Other receipts	22,312	
	<u>33,719</u>	<u>-</u>
Receipts resulting from movements on assets and investments		
Loan received from Watch Tower		
	<u>33,719</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Receipts	<u><u>33,719</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>
Payments		
Costs of charitable activities		
Donations to Watch Tower for Worldwide Work		
Donations to Watch Tower for KHAA	1,200	
Donations to Watch Tower for TOAA	90	
Donations to Branch Constructions		
Kingdom Hall operation and maintenance	8,021	
Hire of coach for convention	2,195	
Circuit overseer expenses	157	
Trolley Invitation Printing	571	
	<u>13,447</u>	<u>-</u>
Global Assistance Arrangement	336	
Kent No1 Circuit	720	
Operating Expenses		
2019 Convention Resolution	157	
	<u>13,447</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Payments	<u><u>13,447</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>
Net Receipt/(Payment) for the year	20,272	-
Total cash assets brought forward	7,735	-
Total cash assets carried forward	<u>28,007</u>	<u>-</u>

Signed ... 

Date: 3rd July 2018

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
FOLKESTONE CHERITON CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Folkestone Cheriton Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Folkestone Cheriton Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses (the Charity) for the year ended 31 March 2018.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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 confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Date: 22 January 2019