

HULL ≈ BOULEVARD CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

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30th July 2013

To whom it may concern:

I certify that I have carried out an audit of the Hull Hessle Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses, Congregation No. 10538, on 28th June 2012, for the period 1st April 2012 to 31st March 2013.

The accounts were kept satisfactorily and no discrepancies were found.

M. J. Foster
Accounts
Hull Boulevard Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses

Hull-Hessle Congregation of Jehovah.'s Witnesses

Inland Revenue Tax Reference No. XN67216. Registered Charity No. **1066628**.

ANNUAL RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT: YEAR TO MARCH 31, 2013.

<u>RECEIPTS:</u>		<u>Previous Year</u>
(Voluntary Sources)		
Congregation Contributions	£10,842.30	£19,425.88
Tax Repayment	£3,958.02	£4,310.90
Congregation Gift Aid	£9,618.84	£ 21,077.64
Legacies	£	£
Sub-total:	£24,419.16	£44,814.42
(Income from Assets)		
Interest from Investments	£1.51	£1.75
Rents from Property	£	£
Sub-total:	£1.51	£1.75
(Misc Receipts)		
Proceeds from sale of assets	£	£
Loans Received	£	£3,000.00
Other (Funds on deposit from w/t)	£15,000.00	£
Sub-total:	£15,000.00	£3,000.00
Total Receipts:	£39,420.67	£20,735.33
 <u>PAYMENTS:</u>		
(Direct Charitable Expenditure)		
Donation to IBSA/Watchtower Society (Associated Registered Charities)	£1,410.00	£830.00
Other Donations (e.g. Pioneer Ministers School, Circuit Funds)	£1,200.00	£2,150.00
(Other Expenditure)		
Kingdom Hall Operation and Maintenance	£3,250.00	£3,000.00
Circuit and Visiting Ministers Expenses	£737.46	£431.56
(Payments for Investment and Other Assets)		
Long term investments (tied up for a year)	£	£
Equipment purchased for Kingdom Hall	£ 144.99	£315.01
Purchase of Land/Buildings in Connection with Place of Worship	£77,060.00	£
Loan Repayment to the Society re Kingdom Hall Building	£	£
Other (Memorial venue, special needs, convention coach, Accident insurance)	£1,968.00	£1,433.99
Total Payments:	£85,770.45	£8,160.56
Net receipts (expense) for the year	£(46,349.78)	£39,655.61
Bank and cash balances at April 1, 2012	£53,342.67	£13,687.06
Bank and cash balances at March 31, 2013	£6,992.89	£53,342.67

Signed Keith Eltherington.

Date 13/4/13

Secretary for the trustees of the Hull-Hessle Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses

The Hull-Hessle Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses.

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES: YEAR TO MARCH 31, 2013.

	<u>Current</u> <u>Year</u>	<u>Previous</u> <u>Year</u>
<u>CASH ASSETS:</u>		
Bank and Cash Balances	£6,992.89	£51,592.86
Bank Deposit account	£	£1,749.81
Cash not Banked		
Total: Agrees with March 31 balance on annual account		
Loans other congregations and Watchtower Society		
Other (_____.)		
<u>LIABILITIES:</u>		
Due for immediate payment	£	£
Loans (Repayment within one year on request)	£	£
Future and contingent	£	£
Loan re construction/renovation of place of worship (Footnote A)	£3,000.00	£3,000.00
 <u>OTHER ASSETS:</u>		
Long term investments (tied up for a year or more)	£	£
Other Property (Footnote D)	£	£
Retained for the Charity's own use		
Place of worship (Footnote B)	£	£
Furniture and other contents of place of worship (Footnote C)	£	£_

Footnotes:

A **Loan: BEVERLEY CONGREGATION.**

B **Registered Place of Worship:**

C **Contents:**

D **Other Property (Not the place of worship):**

Annual Report.

1. CHARITY: HULL HESSLE CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES.
2. ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH, 2013.

Reference and Administrative Details:

3. Registered Charity No. 1066628.
4. The registered address of the Congregation is The Kingdom Hall, 135 Askew Avenue, Hull.

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

Chairman:	Brother James Tait.	Secretary:	Brother Keith Eltherington.
Other Trustees:	Brother David Morrow.		Brother David Drewry.
	Brother Robert Bird.		Brother David Bindoff.
	Brother Stephen Doab.		Brother John Stead.
	Brother Glenn Coulson.		Brother Nathaniel Harvatt.
	Brother Paul Harvatt.		

6. The Kingdom Hall at 135, Askew Avenue, Hull 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 30th 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: 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 of principles of Christian living, which includes 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 the 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....
£1200 Coach for District Convention.
£510.00 Hire of Hall for Memorial.
£500.00 District Convention Donation.
£200.00 Special Needs.
£72,500.00 New Kingdom Hall.
£330.00 Kingdom Hall Assistance Arrangement
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 3 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, or set aside for a particular purpose.
13. Approved by the trustees of the charity on 30th March 2013 and signed on its behalf by:

Signed:

**James Tait
Chairman**

**Keith Eltherington
Secretary.**