

London Harrow Congregation
of
Jehovah's Witnesses

Annual Report and Accounts
for year ending 31 March 2013

Annual Report

1. LONDON HARROW CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES
2. ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH, 2013

Reference and Administrative Details

3. Registered Charity No. 1067894
4. The registered address of the congregation is The Kingdom Hall, 34/36 Peel Road, Harrow, Middlesex, HA3 7QU
5. On the date this report was approved, the congregation was administered by the following trustees:
Chairman: Paul Sherreard Secretary: Michael Lane
Other Trustees: Neil Archer, Len Defoe, David Demetrius, Enos Gayle, Peter Gordon,
William Klos, Simon Lovejoy
6. The Kingdom Hall in Peel Road, Harrow, 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 30 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 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. 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.
10. Of particular significance in the financial affairs of the congregation was the receipt of £95,200.00 in an interest free loan to build a new Kingdom Hall on our present site, and £1,501.07 from tax repayment for Gift Aid donations. Also we saw an increase in donations by tax effective means to £8,068.00. Noteworthy expenses were £6,650.00 loan repayment for build our new hall, and £3,823.61 was spent on maintaining our Kingdom Hall.
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 25 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 May 31, 2013 and signed on its behalf by:

Signed: _____

Chairman

Secretary

The London Harrow Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses

Inland Revenue Tax Reference No. N58911 Registered Charity No. 1067894

Annual Receipts and Payments Accounts Report: Year to March 31, 2013

		Previous Year
Receipts		
Voluntary Sources		
Congregation Contributions	£11,816.16	£6,080.66
Donations from _____	£0.00	
Tax Claim	£1,501.07	£737.90
Congregation Gift Aids	£8,068.00	£2,620.00
Legacies	£0.00	£0.00
	£21,385.23	£9,438.56
Income from Assets		
Interest from Investments	£0.00	£0.00
Rents from Property	£0.00	£0.00
	£0.00	£0.00
Misc. Receipts		
Proceeds from sale of assets	£0.00	£0.00
Loans received	£95,200.00	£0.00
Other (Refund from hire of hall for Memorial 2012)	£33,916.25	£275.00
	£129,116.25	£275.00
Total Receipts	<u>£150,501.48</u>	<u>£9,713.56</u>
Payments		
Direct Charitable Expenditure		
Donation to IBSA/Watch Tower Society (Associated Registered Charities)	£746.00	£264.00
Other Donations to Circuit/District/Congregations of Jehovah's Witnesses	£480.00	£1,349.16
Other Expenditure		
Kingdom Hall Operation and Maintenance	£3,823.61	£4,185.61
Circuit Minister Expenses	£95.81	£147.97
Payments for investment and other assets		
Assets retained for investment purposes	£0.00	£0.00
Equipment purchased for Charity property	£2,003.10	£116.11
Purchase of Land/Buildings in connection with place of worship	£150,820.06	£0.00
Misc. payments		
Loan Repayment to the Society re KH building	£6,650.00	£0.00
Other (Personal Assistance, Convention Coach, Memorial Invitations)	£6,842.96	£3,301.38
Total Payments:	<u>£171,461.54</u>	<u>£9,364.23</u>
Net receipts (payment) for the year	-£20,960.06	£349.33
Bank and cash Balances at April 1, 2011	£64,594.68	£60,723.36
Bank and cash Balances at March 31, 2012	£43,634.62	£61,072.69

Signed _____ Date 31 May 2013

Secretary for the trustees of the London Harrow Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses

The London Harrow Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses

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

	Current Year	Last Year
<u>CASH ASSETS:</u>		
Bank and Cash Balances		
Bank Current account	£43,073.07	£8,929.99
Bank Deposit account	£0.00	£55,620.06
Cash not banked	£561.55	£100.00
Total: Agrees with March 31 balance on annual account	£43,634.62	£64,650.05
 Loans other congregations and Watch Tower 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)	£89,050.00	
 <u>OTHER ASSETS:</u>		
Long term investments (tied up for a year or more)		
Other Property (Footnote D)		
Retained for Charity's own use		
Place of worship (Footnote B)	£0.00	£1,390.00
Furniture and other contents of place of worship (Footnote C)	£0.00	£45,000.00

Footnotes

- A** Loan: The loan is secured by the freehold place of worship. The annual repayment amount to £6,000, the loan is interest free.
- B** Registered Place of Worship: 34/36 Peel Road, Wealdstone, Harrow, HA3 7QU
Shown as historic cost. Date of acquisition 1937. Condition of property good.
- C** Contents: Shown at cost. Condition of contents good.
- D** Other Property (Not the place of worship):

59 Nibthwaite Road, Harrow, Middlesex, HA1 1TD.

To The Trustees
London Harrow Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses
Peel Road
Harrow
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15 January 2014

Dear Sirs

Accounts of the trust for the year ending 31st March 2014

I report on the above-mentioned accounts which are found on the attached pages.

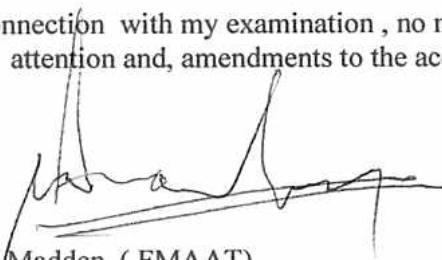
As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. You consider that the audit requirement of section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 does not apply.

It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 43 (7)(b) of the Act. whether particular matters have come to my attention.

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. This includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and, a comparison of the accounts presented with those records.

This procedure does not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and, I therefore, do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention that require your attention and, amendments to the accounts.



H.W. Madden (FMAAT)
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15th January 2014