

Annual Report 2014/15

1. REDCAR CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

2. ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2015

Reference and Administrative Details

3. Registered Charity No. 1066239

4. The registered address of the congregation is The Kingdom Hall, 53 Westmorland Road Redcar Cleveland, TS10 4BQ

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

Chairman:	Chris Breen
Secretary:	Trevor Shelley
Other trustees:	Colin Hay, Barry Le Fevre, Anthony Tennant Andrew Smith Graham Allenden

6. The Kingdom Hall in Westmorland Road, Redcar is held in trust for the congregation by the above mentioned locally appointed trustees:

Structure, Governance and Management

7. The congregation is an unincorporated association constituted by Memorandum of Constitution dated 27th 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. 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 were the resolutions to purchase new sound equipment for £856.06, Two Televisions for £757.90, an overhead projector for £820, a replacement boiler for £2700, a CCTV system for £2521.18 and donations to the Watchtower Bible and Tract Society by resolution of £46,500.

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 4 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 the balance of ~~which~~ ^{Funds} at 31 March 2015 was £6308.96

13. Approved by the trustees of the charity on 23rd August 2015 and signed on its behalf by:

Christopher John Breen
Chairman

Trevor Shelley
Secretary


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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Redcar Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses (Charity number: 1066239) - Financial Year 1st April 2014 to 31st March 2015

Report of Andrew Baldwin (CPFA) – 28th December 2015

Purpose of the report

This report summarises the findings of a detailed examination of the accounts and records of Redcar Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses in line with the guidance provided by the Charity Commission. It also outlines the respective responsibilities of the Trustees of Redcar Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses and that of Andrew Baldwin the Independent Examiner.

Time period covered

The report covers the independent examination of the accounts for the period 1st April 2014 to 31st March 2015.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. An independent examination was deemed to be required as the gross annual income exceeded £25,000 but was below £1 million and the trusts governing documents do not stipulate that a full external audit be undertaken unless required by legislation.

It is the independent examiners responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act
- to state whether particular matters have come to the independent examiners attention

Basis of independent examiner's report

The examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the next statement.

Independent examiner's statement

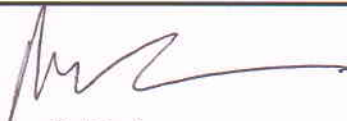
In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached



Andrew Baldwin

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Source and Application of Funds -
Redcar Congregation of Jehovah's
Witnesses April 2014 to March 2015

Contributions	6,965.08	
Bequest	30,859.89	
Refunds	416.12	
Gift / HMRC Refunds	12,085.47	
Gross income	-	50,326.56
Premises Utilities	(2,637.74)	
Premises Security	(3,078.62)	
Premises - Heating	(2,900.00)	
Supplies	(63.60)	
Transport Coach	(1,360.00)	
Equipment -Presentation	(3,559.68)	
Visiting Speaker / CO Expenses	(350.00)	
Costs Associated with Public Witnessing	(182.40)	
Donations	(50,490.00)	
Gross expenditure	-	(64,622.04)
Net Expenditure		(14,295.48)

Transactions

02-Apr	Income	Contributions	Small Cash	378.59
02-May	Income	Contributions	Small Cash	479.45
02-Jun	Income	Contributions	Small Cash	532.07
02-Jul	Income	Contributions	Small Cash	552.25
02-Aug	Income	Contributions	Small Cash	457.56
02-Sep	Income	Contributions	Small Cash	509.31
02-Oct	Income	Contributions	Small Cash	777.20
01-Nov	Income	Contributions	Small Cash	433.26
01-Dec	Income	Contributions	Small Cash	432.27
01-Jan	Income	Contributions	Small Cash	451.01
01-Feb	Income	Contributions	Small Cash	483.46
01-Feb	Income	Contributions	Small Cash	438.65

03-Apr	Income	Contributions	Local Contribu	100.00
03-Jul	Income	Contributions	Contributions	80.00
03-Aug	Income	Contributions	Contributions	120.00
03-Sep	Income	Contributions	Contributions	400.00
03-Oct	Income	Contributions	Contributions	60.00
02-Nov	Income	Contributions	Contributions	90.00
02-Dec	Income	Contributions	Contributions	40.00
02-Jan	Income	Contributions	Contributions	50.00
02-Feb	Income	Contributions	Contributions	100.00
05-Sep	Income	Bequest	Bequest	30,859.89
05-Apr	Income	Refunds	Refund From	347.72
04-Feb	Income	Refunds	Cheque 1015:	68.40
04-Apr	Income	Gift / HMRC Refunds	Gift Aid	537.00
04-May	Income	Gift / HMRC Refunds	Gift Aid	545.00
04-Jun	Income	Gift / HMRC Refunds	Gift Aid	506.00
04-Jul	Income	Gift / HMRC Refunds	Gift Aid	495.00
05-Jul	Income	Gift / HMRC Refunds	Hmrc Refund	3,004.97
04-Aug	Income	Gift / HMRC Refunds	Gift Aid	455.00
05-Aug	Income	Gift / HMRC Refunds	Hmrc Refund	2,532.91
04-Sep	Income	Gift / HMRC Refunds	Gift Aid	510.00
04-Oct	Income	Gift / HMRC Refunds	Gift Aid	475.00
03-Nov	Income	Gift / HMRC Refunds	Gift Aid	602.10
03-Dec	Income	Gift / HMRC Refunds	Gift Aid	420.00
03-Jan	Income	Gift / HMRC Refunds	Gift Aid	554.44
03-Feb	Income	Gift / HMRC Refunds	Gift Aid	947.91
03-Feb	Income	Gift / HMRC Refunds	Gift Aid	500.14
09-Apr	Expenditure	Premises Utilities	Bt Telephone	(118.24)
10-Apr	Expenditure	Premises Security	Keys - Cheque	(33.95)
11-Apr	Expenditure	Premises Utilities	Utilities	(350.34)
09-May	Expenditure	Premises Security	Closed Circuit	(2,521.18)
09-Jul	Expenditure	Premises Utilities	Utilities	(425.54)
08-Oct	Expenditure	Premises - Heating	Boiler - Cheq1	(2,700.00)
11-Oct	Expenditure	Premises Security	Fire - Cheq10:	(31.11)
12-Oct	Expenditure	Premises Utilities	Utilities	(492.03)
11-Nov	Expenditure	Premises Utilities	Utilities	(333.68)
08-Dec	Expenditure	Premises Utilities	Conference C:	(57.60)
14-Dec	Expenditure	Premises Utilities	Utilities	(278.60)
08-Jan	Expenditure	Premises Security	External Light	(264.14)
14-Jan	Expenditure	Premises Utilities	Utilities	(214.74)
08-Feb	Expenditure	Premises Security	External Light	(55.20)
10-Feb	Expenditure	Premises - Heating	Boiler Repair	(200.00)
13-Feb	Expenditure	Premises Security	Cctv Cheq101	(173.04)
14-Feb	Expenditure	Premises Utilities	Utilities	(73.56)
14-Feb	Expenditure	Premises Utilities	Utilities	(293.41)
09-Jan	Expenditure	Supplies	Hand Towelsc	(18.00)
09-Feb	Expenditure	Supplies	Hand Towels	(45.60)
09-Aug	Expenditure	Transport Coach	Coach - Cheq1	(990.00)
09-Oct	Expenditure	Transport Coach	Coach - Cheq1	(370.00)
10-Oct	Expenditure	Equipment -Presentation	Projector - Ch	(820.00)
09-Nov	Expenditure	Equipment -Presentation	TV & Brackets	(757.90)

10-Nov	Expenditure	Equipment -Presentation	Trolley Printin	(50.82)
09-Dec	Expenditure	Equipment -Presentation	Projector And	(497.00)
10-Dec	Expenditure	Equipment -Presentation	Sound Equip.	(800.00)
11-Dec	Expenditure	Equipment -Presentation	Sound Equip.	(56.06)
12-Dec	Expenditure	Equipment -Presentation	Projector And	(84.01)
13-Dec	Expenditure	Equipment -Presentation	Computer Che	(440.40)
09-Feb	Expenditure	Equipment -Presentation	Hdmi Lead Ch	(17.49)
12-Feb	Expenditure	Equipment -Presentation	Lcd Bracketscl	(36.00)
10-May	Expenditure	Visiting Speaker / CO Expenses	Co Expenses-	(100.00)
10-Jul	Expenditure	Visiting Speaker / CO Expenses	Visiting Speak	(50.00)
07-Nov	Expenditure	Visiting Speaker / CO Expenses	Co Expenses-	(150.00)
11-Feb	Expenditure	Visiting Speaker / CO Expenses	Visiting Speak	(50.00)
07-Feb	Expenditure	Costs Associated with Public Witnessing	Greetings Car	(42.64)
08-Feb	Expenditure	Costs Associated with Public Witnessing	Printing Cheq:	(16.20)
10-Feb	Expenditure	Costs Associated with Public Witnessing	Printing Cheq:	(16.20)
11-Feb	Expenditure	Costs Associated with Public Witnessing	Printing Cheq:	(36.00)
13-Feb	Expenditure	Costs Associated with Public Witnessing	Greetings Car	(71.36)
07-Apr	Expenditure	Donations	Www	(50.00)
08-Apr	Expenditure	Donations	Kh Constructi	(20.00)
07-May	Expenditure	Donations	Www	(150.00)
11-May	Expenditure	Donations	Gift To Wtbts	(6,000.00)
07-Jun	Expenditure	Donations	Www	(150.00)
07-Jul	Expenditure	Donations	Www	(150.00)
07-Aug	Expenditure	Donations	Www	(150.00)
07-Sep	Expenditure	Donations	Www	(300.00)
10-Sep	Expenditure	Donations	Gift To Wtbts	(25,000.00)
07-Oct	Expenditure	Donations	Www	(300.00)
06-Nov	Expenditure	Donations	Www	(800.00)
06-Dec	Expenditure	Donations	Www	(300.00)
06-Jan	Expenditure	Donations	Www	(300.00)
07-Jan	Expenditure	Donations	Www Donatic	(15,000.00)
06-Feb	Expenditure	Donations	Www	(300.00)
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12-Feb	Expenditure	Donations	Epah Cheq101	(854.00)
15-Feb	Expenditure	Donations	Transfer To W	(366.00)