

1. CHARITY: SEVENOAKS CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES
2. ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH, 2012

### **Legal and Administrative Information**

3. The Congregation is an unincorporated association now constituted by Memorandum of Constitution dated 16 May 1997 ('the Constitution').
4. Registered Charity No. 1066412
5. The Congregation has during the year been administered by the following Trustees, being elders of the Congregation duly appointed pursuant to the Constitution:  
Chairman : Brother Alex Lisle  
Secretary: Brother Alistair McGregor  
Other Trustees: Brothers Harold Constable, Michael Lelean, Hans Olsen,  
Richard Seadon, Graham Starling, Ben Jarrett,  
Thomas Eustace
6. The registered address of the Congregation is Kingdom Hall, Bethel Road, Sevenoaks, Kent.
7. The Congregation's Bank is Lloyds TSB, High Street, Sevenoaks.
8. At the end of the year there were 52 congregation members.
9. The Congregation is within the Surrey No.1 Circuit of Jehovah's Witnesses.

### **Objects and Activities**

10. 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.' For this purpose the Congregation is organised on the basis of scriptural precedent and as otherwise recommended by the Watchtower Bible and Tract Society of Britain ('the Society') with which the Congregation is affiliated.

During the year the Congregation has achieved its objects and continued to pursue its purposes by holding regular twice-weekly meetings for the public worship of God and Bible study. Further, most congregation members have assisted by sharing regularly in preaching the good news of the God's Kingdom by Jesus Christ at every appropriate opportunity and throughout the congregation area.

## **Governance**

11. 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 all other persons engaged in the activities of the Congregation have done so on an entirely voluntary unpaid basis.

## **Review of Year and Financial Developments**

12. The Congregation is funded by voluntary donations made by congregation members and others, supplemented by income from investments. Further, it is confirmed that the congregation's accounts comply with the Constitution and with the relevant statutory requirements.

Throughout the year such funds have been used to provide facilities for the holding of the regular weekly meetings for worship and Bible study. Donations have been made towards the cost of circuit assemblies and other conventions held during 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.

The Annual Assets and Liabilities Statement at 31/3/2012 confirms the cash assets of the Congregation were as follows:

Cash & special funds in Current Accounts: 74281.41

13. These funds are held for the purposes of financing the future activities of the Congregation, including the acquisition/improvement of accommodation for the holding of meetings for worship and Bible study.
14. Property – Kingdom Hall, Bethel Road, Sevenoaks, Kent held in trust for the congregation by locally appointed Trustees / The Kingdom Hall Trust.
15. Finally in all respects the Congregation continues to co-operate closely with the other duly constituted congregations within the Circuit and with the Society for the common purpose of advancing Christianity by preaching the good news of God's Kingdom by Jesus Christ.
16. Approved by the Trustees of the charity and signed on its behalf by:

# Sevenoaks Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses

Inland Revenue Tax Reference No. XN 58388

Registered Charity No. 1066214

## ANNUAL RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT: YEAR TO MARCH 31, 2012

RECEIPTS	(Voluntary Sources)		Prior year
	Congregation Contributions	1,940.00	2,587.98
	Tax Repayment	0.00	0.00
	Congregation Deeds of Covenant	0.00	0.00
	Congregation Gift Aid	1,910.00	1,460.00
	New Kingdom Hall Fund	45,652.65	1,084.86
	Sub-total:	49,502.65	5,132.84
	(Income from Assets)		
	Interest from Investments	0.00	0.00
	Rents from property	0.00	0.00
	Sub-total:	0.00	0.00
	(Misc Receipts)		
	Proceeds from sale of assets	20,485.23	0.00
	Loans received	0.00	0.00
	Other 335.00 Council refund re: planning	335.00	5.00
	Sub-total:	20,820.23	5.00
	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS:</b>	<b>70,322.88</b>	<b>5,137.84</b>
	<b>PAYMENTS</b> (Direct Charitable Expenditure)		
	Donation to IBSA	162.00	1,339.89
	Other Donations	300.00	360.00
	(Other Expenditure)		
	Kingdom Hall Operation & Maintenance	2,310.36	5,706.27
	Circuit & Visiting Minister Expenses	376.00	200.00
	(Payments for Investment and Other Assets)		
	Long term investments	0.00	0.00
	Equipment purchased for Kingdom Hall	0.00	0.00
	Purchase of Land & Buildings	0.00	0.00
	(Misc Payments)		
	Loan repayment to the Society	0.00	0.00
	Other 354.84 KH Refurbishment costs	854.84	2,084.44
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	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS:</b>	<b>4,003.20</b>	<b>9,690.60</b>
<b>SUMMARY</b>	<b>Net receipts (expense) for the year</b>	<b>66,319.68</b>	<b>-4,552.76</b>
	<b>Bank and cash balances at April 1, 2011</b>	<b>74,281.41</b>	<b>7,961.73</b>
	<b>Bank and cash balances at March 31, 2011</b>	<b>74,281.41</b>	<b>7,961.73</b>

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30<sup>th</sup> January 13

Dear Sirs

Re: 1066214

This is to verify that the Annual accounts as of March 31<sup>st</sup> 2012 for the Sevenoaks Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses, charity number 1066214 are in compliance with the charity act and all receipts and payments are correct.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'L Anscombe', written in a cursive style.

L Anscombe  
Independent Examiner