

CHARITY: WITHERNSEA CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES ANNUAL  
REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST March 2011

**Legal and Administrative Information**

The Congregation is an unincorporated association now constituted by Memorandum of Constitution date May 27th 1997

The Charity Commission number is 1066109/0

Chairman: Brother John William Berry

Secretary: Brother Robert Norton

Other Trustees: Bros. Jonathan Berry, Timothy Berry, Michael English, Victor Lerner, Brian Charles Silver.

The registered address of the congregation is: Kingdom Hall, Walker Street, Withernsea, East Riding of Yorkshire HU192AD

The Congregation's bankers: Lloyds TSB Tonbridge Branch (309863)

At the end of the year to 31st March 2011 there were 73 congregation members.

The Congregation is in the Humberside No1 Circuit of Jehovah's Witnesses.

**Objects and Activities and Public Benefit**

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 worship; Teaching of the Bible and the gospel of Christ at these public meetings; Teaching and preaching the gospel to the public in the congregation area.

These meetings are provided, and ministry engaged in, without charge to adherents or to 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**

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 activities.

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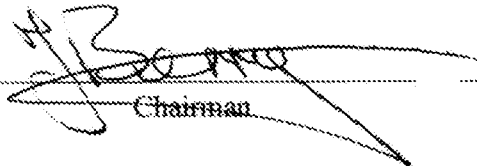
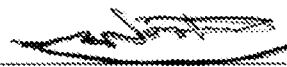
There were noteworthy expenses due to the further upgrade of the sound system and electrical equipment at a cost of £1392.67.

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 equal to 4 months working expenditure.

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

Approved by the trustees of the charity on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2011 and signed on its behalf by:

Signed:  Chairman  Secretary

## ANNUAL CONGREGATION ACCOUNTS REPORT

Congregation Withernsea  
 Congregation Funds at Beginning of Period

Period April '10 - March '11  
 £6,875.29

**RECEIPTS:**

Congregation Contributions (C)	£2,637.14
Congregation Deeds of Covenant (D)	£1,095.00
Congregation Deed of Covenant Return (D2)	£302.50
Interest from Investment (I)(eg Bank A/C)	£0.00
Other (O)	£1,008.00 Inc £1000 donation to WTBTS
Gift Aid(G)	£0.00
<b><u>Total Receipts</u></b>	<b><u>£5,042.64</u></b>

**PAYMENTS:**

Donations from Congregation Funds (A) (circuit expenses)	£416.00
Kingdom Hall Operation/Maintenance (U)	£1,813.97
Circuit Overseer/Visiting Speaker Expenses (V)	£655.75
Equipment Purchased (Q)	£1,478.29 Inc Sound Upgrade (Remote Mikes)
Kingdom Hall Asst. Arrangement	£222.00
Other (O) - Inc. Funds on Deposit a/c	£5,011.04 Inc £4000 & £1000 FOD & Donation
R.B.C (Y)	£15.80
<b><u>Total Payments</u></b>	<b><u>£9,612.85</u></b>

Deficit/Suplus- Difference between Receipts and Payments	-£4,570.21
Total Funds on Hand At End of Period	<b><u>£2,305.08</u></b>

***Received in Contribution Boxes for Watch Tower Society/I.B.S.A***

World Wide Work Donations (W)	£3,817.09
Kingdom Hall Construction W/W (H)	£501.41
Other(O)	£0.00
Total from Congregation Boxes	<b><u>£4,318.50</u></b>

***Donations from Congregation Funds (by resolution)***

Total Contributions due Watch Tower Society/I.B.S.A	£4,318.50
Total Transfers to Watch Tower Society/I.B.S.A	<b><u>£4,318.50</u></b>

Date 6 June 2011

Accounts Servant

  
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