



Annual Report for 2022

Building friendship... building faith

Dedworth Green Baptist Church and COVID-19

At the beginning of 2022 COVID restrictions began to ease, and on 28th February 2022 restrictions were lifted. However, we continued with our health and safety measures, providing and encouraging the use of sanitiser, spacing seating apart for services, keeping a stock of masks, and discouraging close physical contact with others, for most of the year. By October, it was felt that members of the congregation and other users of the building could simply be encouraged to continue with whatever measures they felt comfortable with, whilst respecting the wishes of those feeling more vulnerable.

The Church made the decision to continue recording Sunday worship services, whether or not we were able to hold 'in-person' services, thus ensuring the more vulnerable, frail or cautious members of our community had an opportunity to worship with us. These services were posted on our YouTube channel, with links made available via our website and Facebook pages. DVDs and CDs of services, together with the weekly Keeping Connected newsletter, were delivered each Sunday to those unable to access any online services or other resources. Online services continue to reach some beyond our local congregation and community.

In January, as COVID restrictions eased, the church trustees decided that they could now meet twice a month rather than weekly, the first Thursday being a business meeting, and third Thursday devoted to prayer for our community, congregation, groups using our building and for God's leading in their roles and responsibilities.

The pandemic, with its effect on church service attendance, has continued to have a significant impact on our finances, with a loss of income from weekly offerings and from lettings leading to a significant deficit for the year. However, our loss of income has been partly offset by reduced costs, and the church still has sufficient funds to absorb this reduction for the time being, with no immediate threat to the solvency of the church.

Officers of the church

Trustees

The trustees act on behalf of the church members as the management team of the church and oversee the day-to-day running of the church's activities. For 2022, the trustees were:

The Revd Matthew Scott (Minister)

Miss Sandy Reynolds (Secretary)

Miss Sue Dilly

Mrs Jenny Soles

Mrs Sarah Howard

Mrs Ceri Rance

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Charity Registration Number

The Church does not have its own number as it is currently excepted from registration under The Charities (Exception from Registration) (Amendment) Regulations 2014.

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What we're for

To make mature and faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, who worship and serve God and show God's love inside and outside the church

Dedworth Green Baptist Church is situated in Smith's Lane, at the heart of the community of Dedworth. It is affiliated to the *Baptist Union of Great Britain* and provides Dedworth with Christian witness and worship consistent with the beliefs and practices of the Christian faith, and the Baptist tradition in particular.

The Church runs as a charity, and is governed by an Approved Governing Document which states that the principal purpose of the charity is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination to include the advancement of education, community service and such other general charitable purposes in such parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the Church shall determine.

To this end, we pursue activities that allow Christians in the community of Dedworth to express their faith, their joy in knowing God and to enact and raise awareness of the love of God in the community of Dedworth.

The Church occupies a modern and well-equipped building that was opened in September 2010, and which provides the church enough space for all its activities. The Baptist Union Corporation Ltd holds these premises on trusts that are entirely compatible with the above objectives.

What we do

The Church provides a variety of activities both to its membership and to the community generally. The aim is to show the love of Jesus Christ in both word and deed and to bring people into a closer relationship with Him as living Lord. During the early part of 2022, the COVID-19 pandemic continued to curtail some of what we would normally do or restricted the way that we could do it.

In everything that we do, we are guided by our church values to prioritise God's Kingdom, love, faith and integrity, which together help to shape who we are and what we do. These values are reproduced more fully at Appendix 1.

Church services

Central to the work and witness of the Church is the provision of regular public services of Christian worship. These services normally take place each Sunday at 10.30 am, and includes a full children's programme, while our Messy Church service is normally held on the 2nd Sunday of the month from 3.00pm - 5.00pm. (See p.8 for further details of our work with children, youth and families.)

Our Sunday worship services continued throughout the year, with appropriate Covid-safety guidance being reviewed regularly and relaxed gradually, in line with government guidelines. We continued to record these services and post them on our YouTube channel and website for the benefit of those unable to attend in person. CDs and DVDs were delivered to those without online technology (along with our 'Keeping Connected' weekly newsletter), to enable them to view at home.

Although attendance has increased, it has not yet returned to pre-pandemic levels.



Whether online or in-person, our services always include an act of sung worship, where we give glory to God for who He is and what He has done. We also ensure that services have times of prayer, to listen to God and bring our lives before Him.

In addition, all our services have a strong teaching element, often through preaching. We started 2022 with a series based on 2 Corinthians, using the 'Lifebuilder' series: 'Finding Strength in Weakness'. From June to September we then ran a series on 'How to Hear God', based on Pete Greig's book of the same name, and the related Lectio365 prayer resource.

On 26 June, to mark Renew Wellbeing Sunday we heard an inspirational message via video from Ruth Rice, the founder of Renew Wellbeing. This was an opportunity for our congregation and community to further understand the purpose of The WellSpring, our own Renew Wellbeing centre, which had opened in May (see p8).

In September we celebrated Harvest for the first time since before the pandemic began. This was followed by a church lunch; this was the first such social activity since before the pandemic.

We closed the year with an Advent series looking at how Jesus shows that he is 'Emmanuel – God with us' in the various challenges of life. Scattered throughout the year were occasional 'one-off' themes, either celebrating major Christian festivals, or taking the opportunity to welcome and hear from some of our partners, including Wayne Dixon of Christian Connection in Schools and Mike and Ruth Swain of Compassion UK.

All of these messages can be accessed through the recordings of our services which are available via the church's website at <https://www.dgbc.org.uk/watch-sunday-services/>.

In October, some of us attended the Cluster Celebration service held at Slough Baptist Church where we heard Revd Hayley Young (President of Baptists Together) share her vision of 'Building a Bigger Table'.

Building and sharing faith

As a church, we have continued to recognise the need to maintain contact and a sense of community and throughout the year have endeavoured to find ways of keeping in touch with our members and the wider congregation, especially those who are unable to attend services.

Home groups have continued to meet in person in homes and in the church, although we have continued to hold our Saturday morning prayer meeting via Zoom. Members and friends have been encouraged to keep in contact with one another by phone, writing and email. To

ensure no-one was left out, there is regular communication between home group leaders and other members of the pastoral team to identify those who need prayer or other practical help.

Prayer

We consider prayer to be central to our life as Christians. In our church life prayer plays an important role in our Sunday services, home groups and in church members meetings, where members pray together to discern God's leading. During 2022 weekly prayer meetings have continued on Saturday mornings using Zoom.

DGBC in the community

The Church continues to play an active part in the life of the community, in particular by acting as a distribution point for **Windsor Foodshare** (see p9). We also continue to support a range of other Christian organisations, in particular East to West (www.easttwest.org.uk), a local Christian trust which partners the Police, schools and local churches in providing practical support to young people facing a wide range of challenges; Christian Connections in Schools, which supports, enables, and develops Christian outreach into local schools throughout Slough, Windsor and Maidenhead; and Windsor Christian Action, which oversees the work of the Street Angels, Homeless Project, Night Shelter and Windsor Foodshare.

Church members have also served during the year as trustees for Christian Connections in Schools as well as the Reavell and Plowman Alms House Trust, and as volunteers for various community groups and organisations including Thames Hospice and Windsor Foodshare.

DGBC in the world

We seek to recognise and develop our part in God's wider mission not only locally, but nationally and internationally, both within the Baptist family and across denominational boundaries. We continue to support other Baptist churches in the UK through our giving to the Baptist Union Home Mission fund, and we support mission causes overseas through our giving to BMS World Mission (formerly the Baptist Missionary Society) and our ongoing partnership with Compassion UK.

Many of our members support specific charities and organisations working overseas. An annual collection for WaterAid is made around Christmas. During the year, one of our members actively collected items and fund raised to support the Shoebox Appeal run by Samaritan's Purse through their 'Operation Christmas Child' initiative (<https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/>), and the church was delighted to send out 21 boxes this year. Since 2017, we have been a partner church of Compassion UK (<https://www.compassionuk.org/>), with several of our members committed to sponsoring disadvantaged children in other parts of the world through their ministry. In October we had the pleasure of welcoming members of Compassion UK who shared examples of the work of the charity, and in response, a number of additional children were sponsored. One of our BMS link missionaries, Joy Ransom, visited us in July and gave a fascinating insight into her work in Nepal.

Training and equipping

We cannot do what we do without equipping members of our congregation with the skills and knowledge to participate effectively in the life and ministry of the church. We therefore take advantage of relevant training opportunities offered, for example, through the Southern Counties Baptist Association, or organised in partnership with our local cluster of Baptist

churches. During 2022 members of our team of trustees have attended the online webinar 'Digital Theology' as well as a number of regional conferences (see 'Building the Future', p.10). Meanwhile, several of our volunteers and trustees have participated in essential Safeguarding training..

We also recognise the importance of ongoing training for our minister, and have supported him as he attended various conferences and training days either online or in person, including training courses in safeguarding, mentoring and personal reflection on the impact of the Covid pandemic. We have also continued to support his participation in the Baptist Union's Continuing Ministerial Development programme, for which he completed his annual audit in partnership with a trusted colleague.

What we achieved

The Church does not measure its success only in numbers, but also in less tangible areas like fellowship and encouragement. The Trustees recognise that these are difficult to measure but believe that 2022 was a positive year in the life of the church as most of our regular midweek activities and ministries gradually resumed during the year, and as the church's 'Renew Wellbeing' space, 'The WellSpring' opened in May and swiftly established its place in church life.

We continue to build relationships with each other through various midweek activities, and with our local community through our contact with groups hiring the building.

Our Sunday morning congregations typically number between 20 and 30, in addition to half a dozen or so who receive DVD recordings, and an unknown number watching online. Meanwhile, our Messy Church service has been successfully re-established following the pandemic, allowing up to 30 additional people to attend a service of worship each month. Church membership increased slightly during the year to 34, following the death of one longstanding member and the arrival of two new members. Meanwhile, several more have shown an active interest in becoming more involved in the life and ministry of the church.

Special Services

After the success of last year's family friendly Christmas Carol Service, we decided once again to hold this year's at the early time of 4:30pm, with a particular focus on making it accessible to all ages through using a script and PowerPoint provided by The Bible Society. To avoid clashes with the World Cup final, we scheduled the service for Saturday December 17th, and opened it up to the whole community through more extensive advertising than we were able to do last year. We were delighted with the result, as over eighty people attended the service and thoroughly appreciated it. We were also able to welcome visiting musicians who blessed us by playing carols alongside our own small worship team.



Our Christmas morning service was similarly well attended, with numbers more in line with those we used to see before the pandemic.

In April our church held a service of remembrance and celebration for the life of one of our long-standing members, and during the year our minister also officiated at three other funeral services. In early December we once again held a pre-Christmas memorial service for anyone suffering bereavement either recently or in the past, under the title of 'Lost and Found' – reflecting the service's aim of finding God in the midst of loss.

Groups and Activities

Renew Wellbeing

The WellSpring A vision, first revealed six years ago, came to fruition this year as the church opened its Renew Wellbeing centre in May. Called 'The WellSpring', it is open every Tuesday morning from 9.45 to 12.15 and offers a safe space where it is OK not to be OK. Hosted by a dedicated and enthusiastic team, who have completed training run by the Renew Wellbeing charity, it offers a space where anyone can come, find acceptance and friendship, share a hobby, play a game, do a jigsaw or simply enjoy coffee in a quiet space.

Since the opening in May, we have been delighted to welcome several new friends and now have contacts with the local surgeries and other local organisations.

Carers Support Group

Sadly, due to lack of attendance, we made a decision during the year to close our Carers Support Group. However, our recently-opened 'Renew Wellbeing' centre (see above) offers a suitable alternative for those who wish to remain in touch.

Children, youth and families

Zone/Messy Zone

Throughout 2022 we rarely saw any children at our morning services, though we always provided activities for them if any should arrive. We were not discouraged though, as our wider ministry to families in our community continued to thrive, with the result that at Christmas we drew on those relationships to invite families from Noah's Ark and Messy Church to a family friendly Carol Service, which was very well received.

Messy Church

Messy Church has thrived throughout 2022. We began the year with continued social distancing, with individual families grouped around separate tables, but by the end of the year we were able to gather much more freely and at our December session over thirty people joined us for crafts, worship time, stories, singing and very good food. We continue to ask people to let us know in advance that they will be with us, partly to avoid food waste, but also to monitor numbers, as we have discovered that having a more structured approach to the sessions has encouraged much better interaction between parents, children and the team.

Y@S

At present we have very few teenagers associated with the church, and they do not attend regularly. After almost sixteen years as a leader, Pauline Scott has stood down from Y@S ('Youth @ Slough' – a youth group led by Slough Baptist Church in partnership with other local Baptist churches), as there are no young people from DGBC currently attending the group. However, we hope to work more closely with leaders from other local churches to provide occasional youth and children's groups in the year ahead.

Noah's Ark

Noah's Ark continues to be our biggest outreach ministry, and we are grateful to God for its happy atmosphere, supportive relationships and increasing popularity.

We continue to value our online registration system, though prebooking is no longer required. We also reverted to our pre-pandemic system of holding just one session each week, with no limit on numbers, running from 9.30-11.30 each Friday morning in term-time. Although over a hundred families are registered with us, we see average numbers of about thirty families attending each week, which means that the group is full of life, but still allows us to get to know all those attending without being overwhelmed.

At Christmas, however, we anticipated more people than usual wanting to be with us, so once again we asked families to prebook, and split the session into two separate time slots throughout the morning to allow us to manage the numbers successfully. The result was that when Father Christmas paid us a visit, forty-seven families received suitable presents, including copies of the latest Nativity storybook from Happy Land, and everyone had a joyful time.

We continue to build in reflective time at our end of term services, and on the occasion of the Queen's death, we sat in as near to silence as possible, with little ones and their carers holding a battery-operated candle to help them remember her as we prayed for our royal neighbours in Windsor.

Some of our families have told us that Noah's Ark is their favourite toddler group, for which we give God the glory.

Community impact

Being an active part of the community of Dedworth is important to the Church. Windsor Foodshare continues to distribute from the Church and during 2022, the impact of the war in Ukraine and the resultant cost of living crisis resulted in a continued increase in need. The number of people fed by Windsor Foodshare increased by 18%, from an average of 118 each week in 2021 to 140 per week throughout 2022. There is every indication that this trend will continue, with a record number of 295 people helped during Christmas week.

The escalation in demand has made it impractical to return to the pre-pandemic model of offering hospitality to customers inside the building while they wait to be served. However, it has been possible to resume a 'tick-sheet' system whereby customers select the items that they can use, thus reducing waste and ensuring choice.

This ministry, overseen by Windsor Christian Action and now run by a paid member of WCA's staff, could not operate without the help of a dedicated team of volunteers from the local community and local churches who spent time each week sorting donations, packing customers' bags, or pre-packing bags for delivery to those customers unable to attend in person.



An important part of the service offered by Windsor Foodshare is the presence of our minister, who attends to offer support for both volunteers and clients, and to lead the team in prayer during each week's briefing sessions.

Food is collected by people in DGBC, other churches, and the community, delivered to DGBC, and distributed from our church on a weekly basis. Local supermarkets have also continued to assist by allowing permanent collection points in their stores.

Foodshare continues to be exceptionally well supported by the local Lions Group (<http://www.windsorlions.co.uk/>), who provide a significant number of volunteers each week.

Winton House Care Home

Our minister continued the church's long-standing relationship with Winton House Care Home, leading monthly services for the residents, made up of hymns, prayers and a reflection. This culminated in December with a Carol Service for the home run in partnership between our minister and another local minister with links to the home.

Partnership Ministries

Dedworth Green Baptist Church is just one small part of God's church in this world. Recognising that fact, we have sought to strengthen links with individual churches and other Christian organisations for specific purposes. Our minister meets regularly with other local clergy from all denominations in Windsor, and with other Baptist ministers from the Slough, Windsor and Maidenhead area, in an effort to support each other and to identify areas where we can work more effectively together. Joint initiatives during 2022 included a joint Good Friday service at All Saints Church, Dedworth, a celebration service for the local Baptist cluster at Slough Baptist Church in October and joint training events run by the cluster.

Normally, we run a couple of presentations each year for local schools interested in helping their children understand the similarities and differences between denominations, specifically as to how we practise Believers Baptism. To date it has not been possible to resume these since the pandemic. However, we maintain our contacts with those schools and look forward to resuming this particular connection.

Meanwhile, we have continued to support the Homeless Project and Street Angels service run by Windsor Christian Action.

Building for the future

We are seeking to follow God's will in all we do. We commit all our activities to God in prayer and look to His provision to support them both financially and by providing the people and time to carry them out.

During the year, one or more of our trustees attended various conferences, including the Southern Counties Baptist Association ministers' and leaders' conference, webinars about data protection, mentoring training and ministerial development, leaders' reflection and networking days, and the online Baptist Assembly in May.

Who we're linked to

We are a member of the *Baptist Union of Great Britain* (www.baptist.org.uk), *Southern Counties Baptist Association* (www.scba.org.uk), *Home Mission* and the *Baptist Missionary Society* (www.bmsworldmission.org). We are also part of the *Evangelical Alliance* (www.eauk.org) and *Churches Together in Windsor*.

We continue to foster good relationships with other churches of all denominations in Windsor, with our minister stepping down as chair of Churches Together in Windsor in November after a period of eight years. He remains part of the Core Group responsible for overseeing the work of CTW.

As part of those relationships, we participated in events at Easter (by participating in a joint worship service at All Saints Church, Dedworth on Good Friday), Pentecost (by engaging with the Thy Kingdom Come prayer initiative), and Christmas (when some of our members attended the 2022 Carols on the Hill event in Windsor).

We also continue to work together with our local cluster of Baptist Churches in the Slough / Windsor / Maidenhead area. In October some of our congregation attended Slough Baptist Church for the annual celebration service of our local Baptist cluster, at which the President of Baptists Together, Revd Hayley Young, spoke about her vision for 'Building a Bigger Table'.

How we're organised

Dedworth Green Baptist Church is run by its members. Members of the Church are accepted in accordance with the Church constitution that requires them to be or to have been publicly baptised on the profession of faith in Jesus Christ or following other modes of baptism to renew their public profession of faith in Jesus Christ.

We normally hold six Church Members' Meetings each year in order to seek God together and discern His will for the life and ministry of the church. During 2022 we continued to hold our Church members meetings in hybrid format to give all members the opportunity to attend.

This meeting has responsibility for the overall policy of the Church. In accordance with the constitution, the members appoint up to six Deacons, who together with the Minister, Church Secretary and Treasurer (who are also appointed by the members), are the Church's trustees, and are responsible for the day to day running of the Church's work and witness,

and any financial and legal aspects. Deacons elections for the following year normally take place in November.

Elections were held in November 2022 where we elected two new Deacons, and two Deacons were re-elected for a further two-year term.

Our church trustees normally meet once a month to discuss the day-to-day business of the church, to prepare matters for discussion and decision by the Church Members' Meeting, and to pray. These meetings continue to take place twice a month, one a business meeting and the other a prayer meeting where urgent business may be discussed if necessary.

Although the trustees are responsible for the day-to-day management of church life, all members are encouraged to take an appropriate part in the spiritual and practical tasks involved in the Church's work.

Relevant matters may be submitted to the Church meeting by the trustees for guidance, or may be raised by members in Church meetings for further consideration by the trustees. Though the constitution permits decisions to be made at Church meetings by appropriate majorities, the Church seeks to work by consensus wherever possible.

The Church operates systems to ensure that all people working with children and vulnerable adults are appropriately vetted with regard to the Disclosure and Barring Service and that they are made aware of the Church's *Safeguarding* policy.

Money

The church has no external sources of finance but raises money to cover its activities through the financial gifts of the membership. The church is currently financially sound with a large cash reserve. The accounts for 2022 are included in this annual report.

Appendix 1: Dedworth Green Baptist Church Values

God's kingdom

We want to be a *kingdom-focussed community*, inspired and directed by the Holy Spirit

- Seeking the ***guidance and direction of the Holy Spirit*** so that we may play our part in ***proclaiming God's Kingdom***.
- Having a ***kingdom-based perspective*** in what we do, welcoming support from others who can help us be who God calls us to be, and offering support where we can help others fulfil their own God-given calling.

Love

We want to be a *caring community*, showing the love of Jesus

- Putting the needs of others above our own, so that ***gracious generosity*** is a hallmark of our service.
- ***Welcoming*** people from all walks of life and in every circumstance.
- ***Enjoying*** working together in ***partnership*** with each other, with other Christians and with our local community to show God's love for the world by caring for those outside as well as inside the church.

Faith

We want to be a *worshipping community*, honouring our Father God

Acknowledging our need of God's love and guidance in our lives both individually and together, by: -

- ***Worshipping God*** as creator, saviour and provider in all that we are and do.
- ***Growing in our faith in Jesus***, learning to pray whole-heartedly and expectantly.

Integrity

We want to be an *authentic community*, reflecting our calling as God's people

- ***True to God*** – with the help of the Holy Spirit we seek to be faithful to God's standards as revealed in the Bible, following the example of Jesus.
- ***True to ourselves*** – as we allow the Holy Spirit to lead and equip us, we seek to be faithful to God's call on our lives as individuals and as a church.

We want to be a church that 'does what it says on the tin'... and we want to 'say on the tin who we are', so that what you see is what you get... we are friendly, but flawed; in need of God's grace and seeking to grow more like Jesus.

Appendix 2: Financial report 2022

Details of the church finances are included in the financial statement below.

The church ended the year with cash assets of £52,525, a decrease of £6,328 over the 2021 end position of £58,580. Of these, £48,214 is deemed unrestricted and can be used for any purpose consistent with the charitable purposes of the church. The remaining £4,038 is deemed restricted as it has been given to support a specific purpose or activity, including £1,100 of held lettings deposits.

The church income was £71,292, of which £57,113 was raised by giving (including Gift Aid of £8,504) from church attenders for general use by the church. A further £7,375 was raised by church lettings, which are used purely to cover the running costs of the church building incurred by opening the church during the period of the letting.

During 2022, the church spent £76,326 (net of £1,294 refunds) of which £72,649 (net of refunds) was church general spend. This included £8,305 (14% of unrestricted income excluding lettings fees) that was given by the church to various charities and Christian endeavours outside of the church. (A further £3,677 was donated from restricted funds.)

The expected church general spend is controlled by a budget set by a members' meeting held in November 2021. The church general spend budget had been set at £75,509, which includes an overspend of £22,509 to cover essential costs including, to some extent, the running costs of the church. The church decided to include this amount as a faith element in the Income budget.

At the end of 2022, unrestricted expenditure exceeded income by £6,770 and this overspend has been taken from the unrestricted capital.

It is not the intention of the church to operate with a large cash surplus, and the trustees recognise their legal requirement to spend income within a reasonable time from receipt. To clarify the status of the church capital, the church passed a reserves policy in 2012 that has been implemented in 2022. This policy states that the church will keep a reasonable and defined amount of cash reserves to enable the church to:

- Discharge its financial commitments in event of a sudden downturn of income until such time as the financial commitments can be terminated or reduced; or
- Pay for significant but anticipated repair and replacement bills for the capital items of the church that would otherwise be too large a burden to carry in the church general budget in a single year.

Of the total cash assets, £40,000 is now deemed to be reserves.

Net of reserves, at end 2022 the church has an unrestricted capital of £8,214.


CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES
**Independent examiner's
report on the accounts**
Section A
Independent Examiner's Report
**Report to the trustees/
members of**

 Charity Name
 Dedworth Green Baptist Church

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 December 2022

**Charity no
(if any)**
Set out on pages

DGBC Accounts 2022 Pages 1 & 2

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2022.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:
Date:

1/2/2023

Name:

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Section B
Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

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February 2023

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.



Dedworth Green Baptist Church				Based on Charities Commission form CC16a
Receipts and payments accounts				
For the period from	Period start date 01 Jan 2022	To	Period end date 31 Dec 2022	

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Members donations and offerings	48,609.00	-	-	48,609	41,535
External funding	900.00	-	-	900	1,739
Refunds	1,294.00	-	-	1,294	328
Donations and gifts for other causes incl. Gift Aid	-	3,918.66	-	3,919	4,077
Income tax recovery (Gift Aid)	8,504.21	-	-	8,504	7,765
Interest	491.16	-	-	491	7
Lettings fees and deposits	7,374.75	200.00	-	7,575	2,822
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	67,173	4,119	-	71,292	58,274
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	67,173	4,119	-	71,292	58,274
A3 Payments					
Pastorate	40,532	-	-	40,532	39,304
Ministry	2,081	-	-	2,081	1,721
Mission	8,305	-	-	8,305	7,430
Enabling	4,079	-	-	4,079	3,348
Church buildings	18,946	-	-	18,946	13,906
Raised for other causes	-	3,677	-	3,677	3,670
Lettings fees and deposits	-	-	-	-	164.00
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	73,943	3,677	-	77,620	69,543
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	73,943	3,677	-	77,620	69,543
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 6,770	442	-	- 6,328	- 11,269
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	54,984	3,596	-	58,580	69,850
Cash funds this year end	48,214	4,038	-	52,252	58,580

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Money in reserve	40,000	-	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Money in reserve	40,000	-	-
	Money held for supporting life of church	8,214	-	-
	Money held for external causes	-	4,037.9	-
	Total cash funds	48,214	4,038	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

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Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use (Assets value taken from insurance valuation)	Church Building		-	861,331
	Church Manse (77 Testwood road) - estimated price		-	500,000
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by church treasurer on behalf of all the trustees

Church Treasurer Secretary

Signature

S. M. Reynolds

Print Name

S. M. REYNOLDS

Date of approval

6/2/23