## **REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1104698**

## **Christian Initiative to Schools in Letchworth and District**

## **ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

## **TRUST INFORMATION**

## YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

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#### YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

Name Christian Initiative to Schools in Letchworth and District

Registered Charity Number 1104698

Trustees During the Period Rev Christopher Jenkins

Kevin How (Resigned November 2022)

Martin Money Roger Aldridge

Crista Haak (Resigned November 2022)

Penny Bainbridge Ashley Croft Christine Croft

Bankers NatWest Bank

Independent Examiner Sue Matejtschuk FCA

39 Silver Birch Avenue

Stotfold Hitchin Herts SG5 4AS

## **Trustees' Annual Report 2022**

#### **Charitable Purpose**

Christian Initiative to Schools in Letchworth and District (CIS) exists to educate young people in the Christian faith through taking assemblies, Religious Education lessons and holding lunchtime clubs in schools in North Hertfordshire and Central Bedfordshire. In addition, we also provide chaplaincy support to two of the schools.

#### **Public Benefit**

We are providing public benefit through our educational activities in sixteen schools in Letchworth and the surrounding area. Christopher Baker, our Schools Worker, is greatly appreciated in all the schools he visits.

#### Governance

Christian Initiative to Schools in Letchworth and District (CIS) is registered with the Charity Commission, registered charity number 1104698. It is governed by a board of at least six trustees.

The three Officer posts are as follows;

Chairperson: Rev Christopher Jenkins

Secretary: Kevin How (Resigned November 2022) Replaced by Penny Bainbridge

Treasurer: Martin Money

Five Trustees meetings were held during the year.

Our Annual Celebration (AGM) was held on 11 October 2022.

As CIS reviews its direction over the coming years the Trustees will ensure that it remains consistent with the charity's constitution.

#### **Data Protection**

The Trustees of Christian Initiative to Schools in Letchworth and District (CIS) are aware of their responsibilities as set out under the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR):

- 1. Lawfulness, fairness and transparency
- 2. Purpose limitation
- 3. Data minimisation
- 4. Accuracy
- 5. Storage limitation
- 6. Integrity and confidentiality (security)
- 7. Accountability

No complaints, concerns or requests for access to personal records were received in 2022.

We continue to be vigilant in including GDPR data privacy statements in publicity, materials and where data is recorded by CIS, for example when organising fundraising events.

Photographs of children or adults are only used with the consent of the parent/guardian or person concerned.

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#### .....Trustees' Report continued

#### Safeguarding

Christian Initiative to Schools in Letchworth and District (CIS) is committed to the nurturing, protection and safekeeping of all, especially children, young people and adults who are at risk.

We are working to prevent the physical, sexual and emotional abuse of children, young people and adults who are at risk.

We undertake to exercise proper care in the selection and appointment of those working with children, young people and adults who are at risk, whether paid or voluntary.

Regular safeguarding training takes place for our Trustees and our Schools Worker.

CIS is committed to following the Home Office guidance "Working Together to Safeguard Children" (2018).

Each worker is required to understand and observe the CIS Safeguarding Policy.

No incidents or concerns were raised during 2022.

#### **Employment**

Christian Initiative to Schools in Letchworth and District (CIS) employs Christopher Baker as our Schools Worker. Christopher takes primary leadership in school assemblies, Religious Education lessons and lunchtime clubs.

#### **Finances**

On 1 January 2022, £18,829 was brought forward in the Charity's accounts. Income received during 2022 was £23,078. Expenditure during 2022 was £26,873, resulting in a decrease in the 2022 end of year funds.

The details of the accounts for 2022 are contained in the Financial Report prepared in line with the guidance for small charities.

Overall, our income has remained relatively stable this year. However our expenses continue to exceed that of income, so our overall reserves are lower.

Rev Christopher Jenkins

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Chairman

# INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

# Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees of Christian Initiative to Schools in Letchworth and District

I report on the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2022, which are set out on pages 5 to 8. These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out therein.

#### Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of s144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) does not apply.

It is my responsibility to;

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act
- Follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act) and
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### **Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

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

#### **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 Charities Act;
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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.

Sue Matejtschuk FCA 39 Silver Birch Avenue Stotfold Hitchin Herts

14 September 2023

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# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

		General Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
	Notes	1b	1b, 3		
		£	£	£	£
Incoming resources	1c				
Income resources from generated funds Regular Gifts		16,176		16,176	15,602
One-off Gifts		3,665	-	3,665	2,337
CAF Payments		3,003	-	3,003	2,337
Gift Aid refund	1c	1,999	_	1,999	2,284
Fundraising	6	1,132	_	1,132	1,055
Grants - It's Your Move books	5	1,102	106	106	-
Total incoming resources	-	22,972	106	23,078	21,278
Resources expended	1d				
Employment costs including pension	2	23,679	_	23,679	22,759
Insurance		604	-	604	472
Scripture Union affiliation & DBS check		238	-	238	500
Travel		442	-	442	190
Training/Conferences		-	-	-	188
School expenses inc. CU refreshments	4	224	-	224	141
It's Your Move books	5	510	106	616	910
Fundraising expenses	6	-	-	-	40
Equipment	7	30	-	30	432
IT Expenses	8	804	-	804	778
Other Expenses		237	-	237	80
Total resources expended	-	26,767	106	26,873	26,491
Net movements in funds		(3,795)	-	(3,795)	(5,213)
Total funds at 1 January 2022	-	18,829	-	18,829	24,042
Total funds at 31 December 2022	<u>-</u>	15,034		15,034	18,829

# BALANCE SHEET FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

The coasts and liabilities of the charity		2022	2021
The assets and liabilities of the charity:	Notes	£	£
Current assets Cash at bank and in hand		15,034	18,869
Creditor Employee expenses Fundraising Expenses		- -	- (40)
Net current assets		15,034	18,829
Total assets less current liabilities		15,034	18,829
Net assets		15,034	18,829
The funds of the charity:			
Unrestricted income funds		15,034	18,829
Restricted income funds	3	-	_ :
Total charity funds		15,034	18,829

Martin Money Treasurer

Approved by the trustees on .........7 October 2023...... (by return of email)

The notes on pages 7-8 form an integral part of these accounts.

# NOTES FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

#### 1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### 1a Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The accounts are in accordance with the recommendations in Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued in March 2005 and comply with the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2005 issued under the Charities Act 1993.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with all applicable accounting standards, as modified by the Statement of Recommended Practice for Accounting and Reporting issued by the Charity Commissioners for England & Wales, (revised June 2008). The accounts have been drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Charities Acts, and include the results of the charity's operations which are described in the Trustees' Report, all of which are continuing.

The charity has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No 1 from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement.

The particular accounting policies adopted are set out below.

#### 1b Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in the furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are subject to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

#### 1c Incoming resources

Incoming resources are accounted for on a receipts basis. The Gift Aid refund received in 2022 is attributable to income received in the year 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2021.

#### 1d Resources expended

All expenditure is recognised in the period in which incurred and accounted for on an accruals basis.

This has then been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Resources expended include attributable VAT that cannot be recovered, and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include the accountancy fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity.

The Trustees have been reimbursed £nil expenses in 2022 (2021: £nil)

#### 2 STAFF COSTS AND NUMBERS

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Staff costs were as follows:	2022	2021
	£	£
Pay & Pension	23,679	22,759
	23,679	22,759

Staff comprises one Schools Worker. Pension contributions are at 9%

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#### 3 RESTRICTED FUND ANALYSIS

	2022 Opening			2022 Closing
Funds	Balance £	Income £	Expense £	Balance £
It's Your Move books	-	106	(106)	-
Total	-	106	- 106	-

Books costing £106 were purchased from restricted funds during 2022

#### 4 SCHOOL EXPENSES

This covers the cost of refreshments and snacks for lunchtime clubs and equipment/props to support assemblies.

#### 5 IT'S YOUR MOVE BOOKS

Each year we purchase 'It's Your Move' books to be handed out to Year 6 primary school pupils. Part of the cost is normally met from restricted funds, with the remainder covered from general funds.

#### 6 FUNDRAISING

We were able to hold two fundraising events in the year; an Autumn Concert and a quiz night, for which no expenses were incurred.

#### 7 EQUIPMENT

The only equipment purchased in the year was a portable speaker.

#### 8 IT EXPENSES

IT expenses cover our monthly accounting software subscription and maintenance payments for our website.