



**Woodlands**

Presbyterian Church

Financial Reports  
**2017**



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## **Church Committee**

(Elected Members plus Session)

Robin Arbuthnot (Chairman)

Marty Holmes (Secretary)

Brian Allen (Treasurer)

Steve Milburn (Assistant Treasurer)

John Morgan (Finance and Gift Aid Convenor)

Paul Addis	Adam Dalton
Colin Boyd	Billy McClean
Andrew Bowers	Peter Morgan
George Bradford	Jonathan Parkes

## Rev Leslie J Addis

Where does the time go? I honestly can't believe it is time to write a few words to accompany our Annual Report once again. These accounts, this Report represents so much hard work, and good work, done by our Church Treasurer Brian Allen, and his right hand man, Steve Milburn. Thank you so much to these two godly men who use their talents to serve Woodlands in this important role. They do an amazing job as they guide us (not least our Congregational Committee) in all things financial, as we in Woodlands continue to pursue our vision of a vibrant community of Christ followers on fire for the glory of God.

A massive thank you also to all of you who give so generously, at times sacrificially, of your money but also your time and talents to serve Christ here in Woodlands.

I recently attended an event entitled, 'My place,' organised by PCI, to help congregations like ours, explore ways of including children with special additional needs in worship and children's ministry!

I found the evening very helpful and deeply challenging in so many ways, but two things that especially struck me were these. First the simple statement, 'when you've met one autistic person, you've met (only) ONE autistic person.' The temptation to generalise and so forget to treat each individual as the unique creation they are, is

very real and very damaging, not only to the individual and his or her family, but to us all. As I was reminded of this, I found myself quietly praying that God would help all of us in Woodlands to do so much better with this.

The second statement was this, 'God doesn't stop revealing Himself at a certain IQ.' A fabulous reminder, even rebuke, for those of us who sometimes wonder how people with 'special needs' can truly grasp the Gospel and be saved. They can and they do, as easily (or perhaps we should say, with the same degree of difficulty) as the rest of us. With man salvation is always impossible, but not with God, with God all things are always, whatever our abilities or disabilities, POSSIBLE.

I am especially thankful to God for the children and adults with special needs that God has entrusted us within Woodlands. As we look to the future may God give us grace and wisdom to ensure that as far as possible, whatever a person's abilities or needs, they can truly call this place, MY place, MY people, MY home. God bless.

Leslie Addis

## Session Report 2017

2017 carried great significance for the Reformed Faith as it was the 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Reformation. Whilst many had been used by God to lay the foundations for the Reformation eg Wycliffe, Huss and Tyndale, it was the action of Luther nailing his 95 Theses to the door of Wittenberg Castle on the 31<sup>st</sup> October 1517 that instigated the recovery of truth. He had no idea what he was letting himself in for. As with the reformers, this is what we stand for at Woodlands:

Sola Scriptura – the bible is our only authority for belief and practice

2 Timothy 3v16, 17

Sola Fide – we are saved by faith alone in Christ Ephesians 2v8, 9

Sola Gratia – salvation is the gift of God by grace Ephesians 2v8, 9

Sola Christus – Christ's work alone saves 1 Peter 2v24

Soli Deo gloria – we live to the glory of God alone 1 Corinthians 10v31

After another year of ministry at Woodlands we have tried to live out these truths to all whom we have encountered. We thank God for the many leaders and helpers in different ministries who have demonstrated the above truths in how they have lived and interacted with those to whom they ministered. As a leadership we are grateful and appreciative of their faithful service and commitment. Their love for those outside the kingdom is clearly evident as is their passion to see people grow in grace. Many

Woodlanders have displayed the Reformation convictions outlined above to both young and old, whether in the kingdom or still in desperate need of salvation.

We give particular thanks for the praise during the worship services which constantly prepares us to encounter the Word. Once more we give thanks to God for Leslie and the gifts and the passion which God has given him for the preaching and application of the Word.

God's goodness to us begs a number of questions as we put another year behind us. God has abundantly blessed this fellowship and yet our response to His goodness seems decidedly mixed. I would ask the believers of Woodlands what are you presently studying in God's word as you seek to grow in grace. What are you actively learning and applying in your life? What is your prayer life like? How are you responding to the goodness God has shown you? What do you stand for? Have you any idea of what you letting yourself in for if God gets a hold of your life?

Ian Drysdale

## Committee Report 2017

The last year has been a busy one for the Church committee. Having the responsibility for the upkeep and improvements of the Church property and manse, we have no lack of appreciation of our role, and the privilege that it is.

We are also continuously reminded of the generous giving of Woodlands folk, and we seek to serve our people under God's guidance.

Let me outline some what we have been able to achieve in the last period.

- funding the Youth Budget
- provision for the work of the Ark
- Purchasing apparatus/equipment for G.B. and B.B.
- sourcing Bibles for use in Church services
- Cell group materials
- allowing money for our Youth Intern programme
- funding of and training for provision of Defibrillators
- giving of money for Summer and Christmas gifts to our missionary folk
- the purchase of new projector gear throughout our buildings.

We have also seen changes in our staffing including our new cleaner Rosie, and a volunteer role with Alan taking on certain caretaker responsibilities.

This is just a snapshot of the work of committee and I would like to thank those members who give of their time and talent so that Church can function in an often unnoticed way.

Pray for us that we will always be working in the middle of God's will.

On behalf of Committee

Martin Holmes  
Woodlands Committee

## Treasurer's Report 2017

Our God is a very, very faithful God.

As I review the accounts of our congregation, not only for this year, but over the past number of years I am struck by how year after year He has, through the generosity, faithfulness and sacrificial giving of His people enabled His work to be funded through this local church.

Over the past five years He has matched our needs almost exactly. We have spent from our Main account in that period £794,045 and collected £788,256, a difference of only 0.8%.

Once again, towards the end of this year we experienced a period when we were spending more than we were bringing in leading to a worrying situation, however the response to this was so encouraging and, as you will see from the attached accounts, although the year ended with a slightly lower closing balance than the previous year, we were still in credit.

This year we have been able to replace the projectors in the main church and are grateful for some very generous specified gifts to cover the cost of this improvement which I am sure you will agree is a very necessary part of our worship experience. We also upgraded the lighting in both the Church and Hall which along with enhancing the ability to control the lighting should also reduce our electricity costs

meaning these improvements should pay for themselves over time.

It is a delight to be able to be able to report that we are now able to support the work of our two youth interns through our missionary account and pray that they will both be blessed and be a blessing through the programme that they are following.

As ever, it is a privilege to be able to serve our LORD as part of the finance team and I would like to thank and pay tribute to the faithful and tireless work carried out by every member of the team. We are blessed by having faithful count teams who week after week selflessly give of their time to count and process our offerings. Thanks also to our Gift Aid Secretary, John Morgan and also to Steve Milburn who uses the gifts he has been given for the Glory of God as he works diligently in the preparation of our accounts.

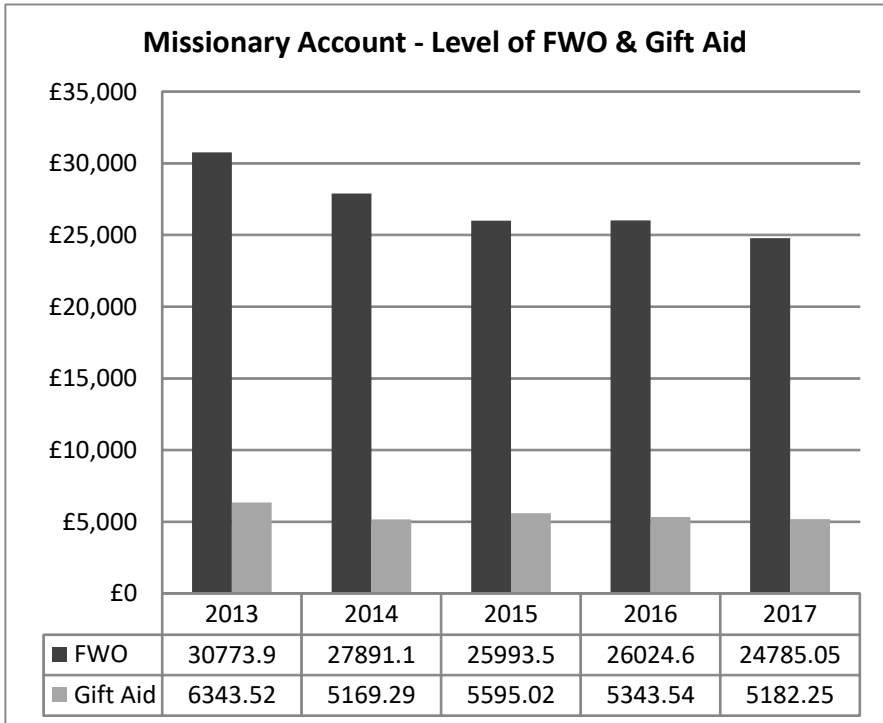
In each of our services we use the phrase "We will continue to worship God with our offering"

May we continue to worship our Faithful God by returning to him a portion of what he has so richly blessed us with.

Brian Allen

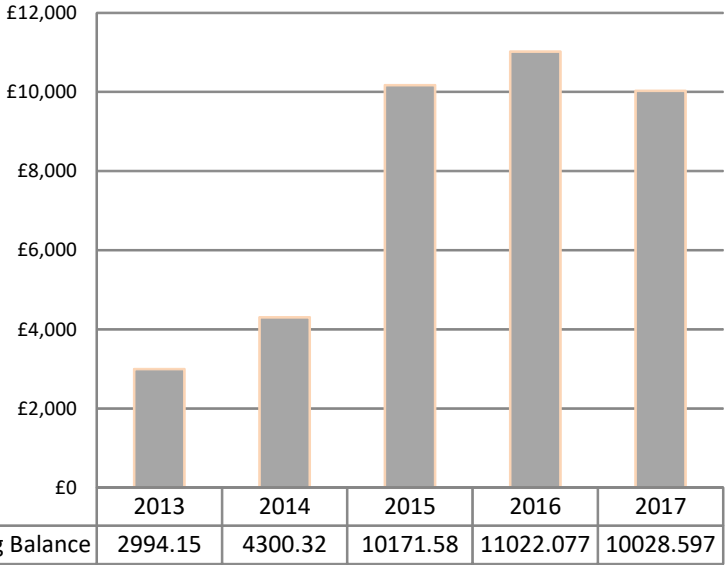
## Missionary Account 2017

<b>Money In</b>		<b>Money Out</b>	
Opening Balance	11,022.08	Prison Fellowship	5,775.00
FWO	24,785.05	OMF	3,970.00
United Appeal	2,132.00	Africare	3,681.00
Gift Aid	5,182.25	D Millen	1,910.00
Interest	£13.77	K Meldrum	1,908.00
		Bank Fees	46.15
		United Appeal	9,497.00
		Ann McDowell	1,350.00
		E3 Schools	1,200.00
		J Parkes SU	2,494.40
		Youth Mentors	1,200.00
		Open Doors Supply fee	75.00
		Closing Balance	<u>10,028.60</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>£43,135.15</u></b>	<b>Total</b>	<b><u>£43,135.15</u></b>

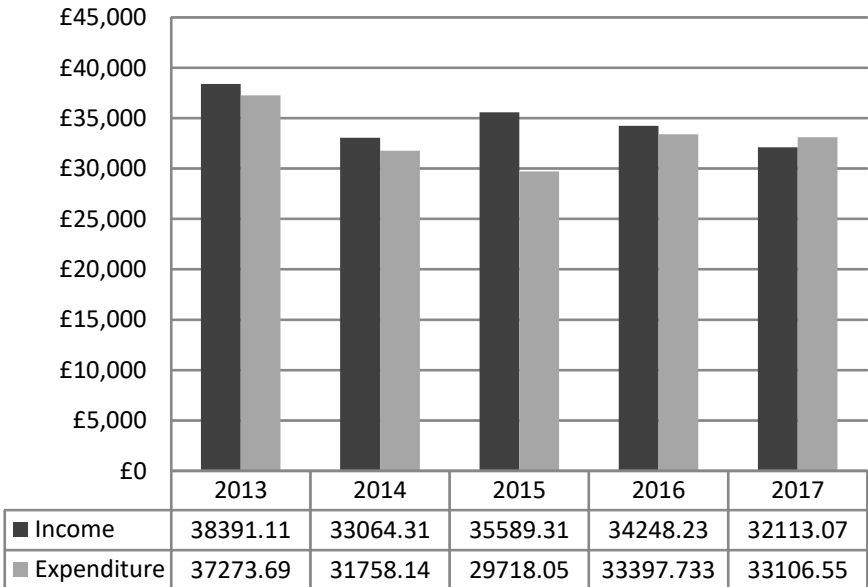




## Missionary Account - Closing Balance



## Missionary Account - Income & Expenditure



## Main Account 2017

### Money In

Opening Balance	15,266.23
FWO	118,648.76
Loose Collection	8,191.44
Lodgment	3,275.83
Coffee Money	547.08
Gift Aid	32,144.63
Specified Gifts	1,073.73

### Money Out

Caretaker Salary	3,511.22
Musical Director Salary	3,126.56
Secretary Salary	1,872.00
Youth Coordinator Salary	21,478.22
Youth Coordinator Mobile	232.08
Electricity	6,484.00
Gas	3,194.13
Ark	426.38
Coffee Bar	1,649.16
Minister Expenses	8,312.04
Church Maintenance	6,723.33
Office Supplies	3,242.74
Books	2,414.20
BT Internet	1,592.40
Sundry Items*	17,922.86
Marketing	280.20
Prayer Chain Mobile	184.48
Bank Fees	225.44
Pulpit Supply	458.00
Cleaner Salary	2,784.78
PCI**	62,201.58
King's Kids	426.78
PAYE	6,889.94
SAGE	81.15
WoW	300.00
Gift Aid Trf	8,336.27
Family Ministry	1,000.00
Potter's House	916.80
Closing Balance	12,880.96

Total

**£179,147.70**

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**£179,147.70**

\*See table below for breakdown

### \* Breakdown of Sundry Items

Nest	340.86
Youth Ministry	5,941.00
Mid & East Antrim	587.58
MKB Medical	1,690.80
BB	973.01
GB	1,608.22
Water Bill	645.23
Conference Expenses	264.47
Land & Property	734.28
CCLi Music Licence	827.52
Church Insurance	2,658.87
Church Envelopes	713.40
TV Licence	147.00
Presbytery Fees	740.63
Christmas Tree	49.99

**Total**

**£17,922.86**

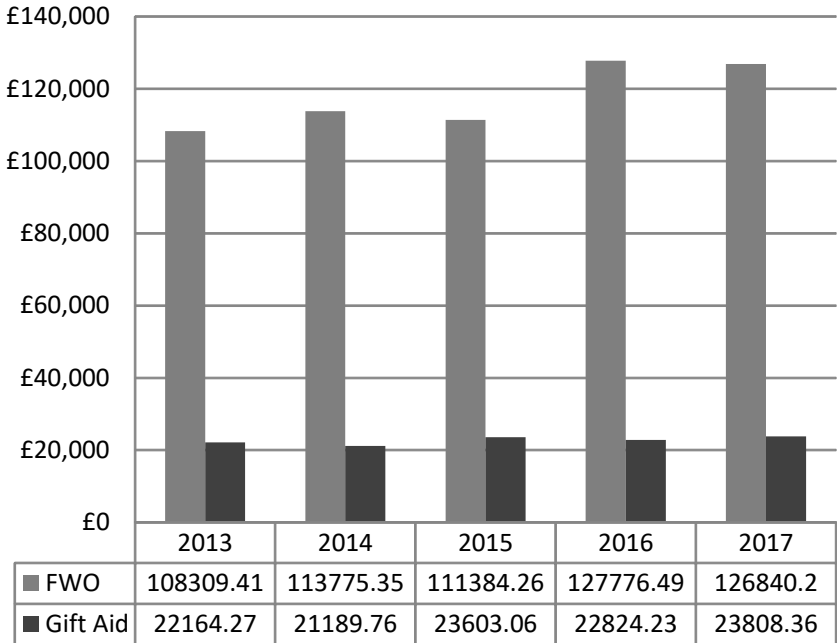
### \*\* Congregational Assessment 2017

Central Ministry Fund	6,346
Retired Ministers Fund	1,410
Widows of Ministers Fund	1,498
Prolonged Disability Fund	88
Incidental Fund	2,363
Ministerial Development Fund	335
Assembly Buildings External Work	1,656
Special Assembly	88
Sick Supply Fund	53
Students Bursary Fund	1,340
Stipend	34,803
PCI Pension Scheme	8,353
National Insurance	3,828
Ground Rent	40

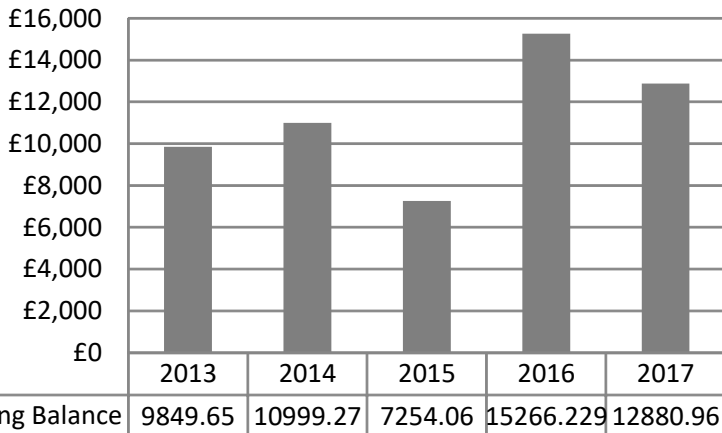
**Total**

**£62,201**

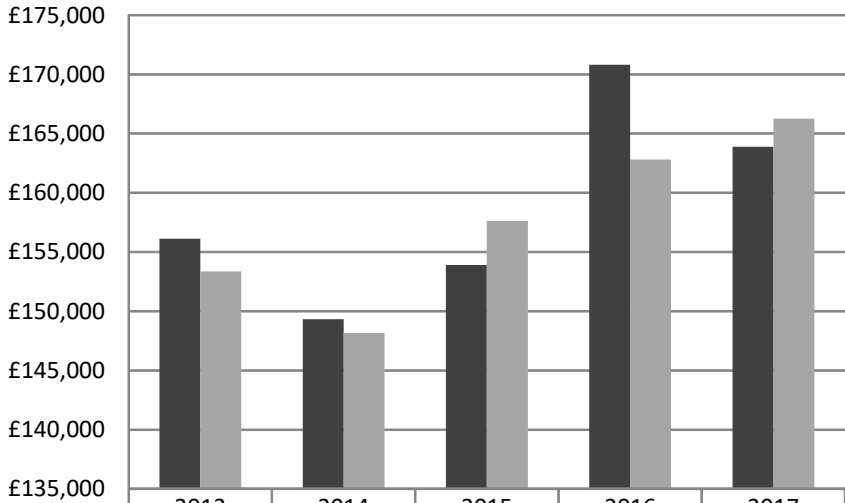
## Main Account - Level of FWO & Gift Aid



## Main Account - Closing Balance



## Main Account - Income & Expenditure



	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
■ Income	156125.81	149324.97	153895.2	170817.62	163881.47
■ Expenditure	153368.2	148175.35	157640.41	162805.451	166266.74

## Property Account 2017

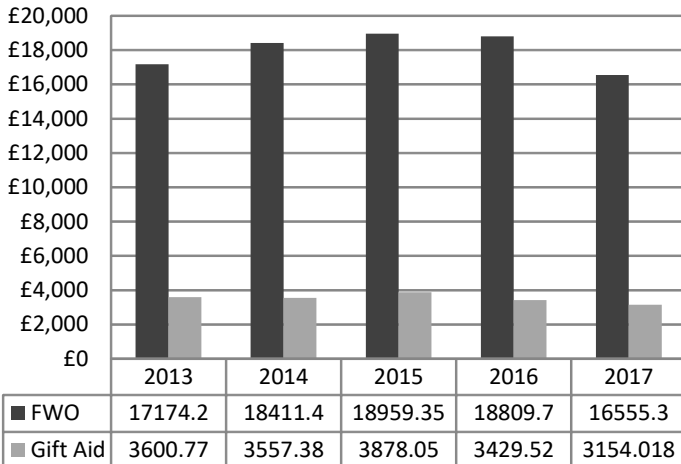
### Money In

Opening Balance	36,599.53
FWO	16,555.30
Specified Gifts (Projectors)	6,420.00
Gift Aid	3,154.02
Interest	43.16
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>£62,772.01</u></b>

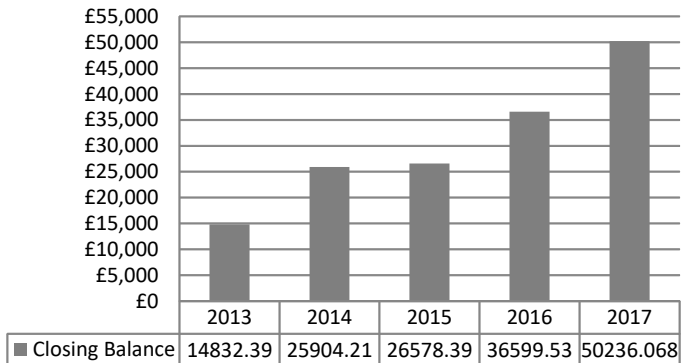
### Money Out

Church Maintenance	12,510.00
Fees	25.94
Closing Balance	50,236.07
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>£ 62,772.01</u></b>

**Property Account - Level of FWO & Gift Aid**



**Property Account - Closing Balance**



## Summary of Organisation Accounts 2017

### Boys' Brigade Account - End of year closing balance: £249

Money In		Money Out	
Opening Balance	2,588	Expenditure	5,069
Income	<u>2,730</u>	Closing Balance	<u>249</u>
Total	<u>£5,318</u>	Total	<u>£5,318</u>

### Girls' Brigade Account - End of year closing balance: £5,450

Money In		Money Out	
Opening Balance	2,347	Expenses	1,682
Income	<u>4,785</u>	Closing Balance	<u>5,450</u>
Total	<u>£7,132</u>	Total	<u>£7,132</u>

### Seniors Account - End of year closing balance: £794

Money In		Money Out	
Opening Balance	726	Expenditure	1,230
Income	<u>1,298</u>	Closing Balance	<u>794</u>
Total	<u>£2,024</u>	Total	<u>£2,024</u>

### Youth Account - End of year closing balance: £245

Money In		Money Out	
Opening Balance	338	Expenditure	14,071
Income	<u>13,978</u>	Closing Balance	<u>245</u>
Total	<u>£14,316</u>	Total	<u>£14,316</u>

### Parent & Toddler Account - End of year closing balance: £584

Money In		Money Out	
Opening Balance	85	Expenses	606
Income	<u>1,105</u>	Closing Balance	<u>584</u>
Total	<u>£1,190</u>	Total	<u>£1,190</u>

## Contributions 1 - 59 to 31 December 2017

<b>FWO</b>	<b>Main</b>	<b>Mission</b>	<b>Property</b>
<b>1</b>	115.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3</b>	108.00	4.00	6.00
<b>4</b>	4,155.00	0.00	0.00
<b>5</b>	530.00	685.00	505.00
<b>6</b>	110.00	0.00	0.00
<b>7</b>	220.00	90.00	0.00
<b>8</b>	80.00	42.00	0.00
<b>9</b>	450.00	145.00	65.00
<b>10</b>	610.00	700.00	0.00
<b>11</b>	460.00	110.00	90.00
<b>12</b>	485.00	54.00	12.00
<b>13</b>	1,090.00	0.00	0.00
<b>14</b>	50.00	0.00	0.00
<b>16</b>	26.00	27.00	34.00
<b>17</b>	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>18</b>	648.00	756.00	636.00
<b>19</b>	285.00	225.00	0.00
<b>20</b>	1,350.00	0.00	340.00
<b>21</b>	138.80	184.00	112.00
<b>22</b>	1,080.00	0.00	5.00
<b>23</b>	255.00	0.00	255.00
<b>24</b>	420.00	0.00	0.00
<b>25</b>	1,000.00	0.00	0.00
<b>26</b>	535.00	0.00	0.00
<b>28</b>	547.00	60.00	0.00

<b>FWO</b>	<b>Main</b>	<b>Mission</b>	<b>Property</b>
<b>29</b>	500.00	500.00	500.00
<b>31</b>	550.00	574.00	275.00
<b>32</b>	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>33</b>	1,060.00	590.00	100.00
<b>34</b>	255.00	0.00	0.00
<b>35</b>	270.00	265.00	75.00
<b>36</b>	20.00	0.00	20.00
<b>37</b>	915.00	275.00	265.00
<b>39</b>	455.00	220.00	160.00
<b>40</b>	80.00	220.00	10.00
<b>42</b>	200.80	0.00	79.00
<b>43</b>	700.00	140.00	360.00
<b>44</b>	1,195.00	470.00	185.00
<b>45</b>	540.00	260.00	270.00
<b>46</b>	60.00	0.00	0.00
<b>47</b>	270.00	0.00	0.00
<b>48</b>	550.00	425.00	485.00
<b>50</b>	94.00	0.00	0.00
<b>52</b>	214.00	0.00	0.00
<b>53</b>	117.00	107.00	25.00
<b>54</b>	106.00	103.05	105.90
<b>55</b>	153.00	0.00	0.00
<b>56</b>	200.00	0.00	0.00
<b>58</b>	375.00	335.00	270.00
<b>59</b>	240.00	40.00	40.00

## Contributions 61 - SO17 to 31 December 2017

<b>FWO</b>	<b>Main</b>	<b>Mission</b>	<b>Property</b>
<b>61</b>	53.00	0.00	0.00
<b>62</b>	700.00	400.00	0.00
<b>63</b>	150.00	0.00	0.00
<b>64</b>	170.00	0.00	0.00
<b>65</b>	42.00	122.00	42.00
<b>67</b>	325.00	20.00	0.00
<b>69</b>	468.00	105.00	0.00
<b>70</b>	388.10	0.00	0.00
<b>71</b>	120.00	0.00	0.00
<b>72</b>	100.00	0.00	0.00
<b>73</b>	190.00	0.00	0.00
<b>75</b>	870.00	0.00	0.00
<b>76</b>	60.00	0.00	0.00
<b>78</b>	1,590.00	600.00	460.00
<b>79</b>	2,420.00	480.00	0.00
<b>80</b>	74.00	0.00	0.00
<b>81</b>	545.00	423.00	0.00
<b>82</b>	285.00	0.00	0.00
<b>83</b>	215.00	54.00	49.90
<b>85</b>	1,940.00	405.00	310.00
<b>86</b>	970.00	320.00	465.00
<b>87</b>	90.00	75.00	0.00
<b>88</b>	40.00	0.00	0.00
<b>89</b>	160.02	0.00	0.00
<b>90</b>	155.00	295.00	112.00

<b>FWO</b>	<b>Main</b>	<b>Mission</b>	<b>Property</b>
<b>92</b>	685.00	390.00	280.00
<b>93</b>	150.00	245.00	120.00
<b>94</b>	120.00	0.00	20.00
<b>95</b>	400.00	230.00	205.00
<b>96</b>	10.00	0.00	0.00
<b>97</b>	110.00	0.00	2.00
<b>104</b>	20.00	0.00	0.00
<b>109</b>	50.00	0.00	0.00
<b>116</b>	10.00	0.00	0.00
<b>119</b>	770.00	0.00	0.00
<b>122</b>	0.00	7.00	0.00
<b>SO 1</b>	240.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO 2</b>	880.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO 4</b>	260.00	55.00	55.00
<b>SO 5</b>	3,900.00	480.00	600.00
<b>SO 6</b>	1,500.00	600.00	600.00
<b>SO 7</b>	1,980.00	232.50	232.50
<b>SO 9</b>	1,200.00	0.00	240.00
<b>SO 10</b>	2,400.00	2,400.00	1,200.00
<b>SO 11</b>	60.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO 12</b>	1,200.00	600.00	1,200.00
<b>SO 13</b>	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00
<b>SO 15</b>	1,680.00	720.00	600.00
<b>SO 16</b>	1,080.00	60.00	60.00
<b>SO 17</b>	1,200.00	400.00	400.00



## Contributions SO18 - SO66 to 31 December 2017

<b>FWO</b>	<b>Main</b>	<b>Mission</b>	<b>Property</b>
<b>SO 18</b>	1,320.00	672.00	672.00
<b>SO 19</b>	2,400.00	600.00	600.00
<b>SO 20</b>	180.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO 21</b>	1,200.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO 23</b>	1,680.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO 25</b>	5,745.00	1,075.00	0.00
<b>SO 26</b>	4,980.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO 27</b>	600.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO 28</b>	2,760.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO 29</b>	1,800.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO 30</b>	20.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO 31</b>	10,920.00	2,520.00	0.00
<b>SO 32</b>	300.00	300.00	300.00
<b>SO 33</b>	165.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO 34</b>	480.00	240.00	240.00
<b>SO 35</b>	600.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO 36</b>	1,400.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO 37</b>	1,200.00	180.00	180.00
<b>SO 38</b>	480.00	240.00	240.00
<b>SO 39</b>	1,800.00	600.00	600.00
<b>SO 40</b>	2,400.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO 41</b>	2,160.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO44</b>	3,696.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO 48</b>	1,650.00	525.00	525.00
<b>SO 49</b>	240.00	0.00	0.00

<b>FWO</b>	<b>Main</b>	<b>Mission</b>	<b>Property</b>
<b>SO 40</b>	2,400.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO 41</b>	2,160.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO44</b>	3,696.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO 48</b>	1,650.00	525.00	525.00
<b>SO 49</b>	240.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO 50</b>	450.00	160.00	160.00
<b>SO52</b>	2,360.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO53</b>	490.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO54</b>	115.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO55</b>	480.00	480.00	480.00
<b>SO56</b>	1,100.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO57</b>	880.00	660.00	0.00
<b>SO59</b>	60.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO60</b>	520.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO61</b>	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO62</b>	2,310.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO63</b>	1,980.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO64</b>	400.00	0.00	0.00
<b>SO66</b>	200.00	30.00	30.00



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