

Sukkat Shalom Edinburgh Liberal Jewish Community (SCIO)
Scottish Charity No. SC035678

Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts, 1st September 2021 – 31st August 2022

The period September 2021 – August 2022 saw the transition from having all our activities on-line to what has now become a mixture of on-line and in-person activities. By the end of the period, we had established a fairly regular schedule for all our activities. Some more details are as follows:

- We held at least one Shabbat service each week, and quite often we held services on both a Friday evening and Saturday morning. By the end of the period, over the course of a month we held at least 3 in-person services and at least a similar number of services broadcast on Zoom. Some of these latter services are where all participants are on Zoom, others where there is an in-person service that is also broadcast on Zoom. Many of our services are led by our Rabbi, Mark Solomon, but lay readers can and do also lead some services
- We also held services for Jewish festivals, again mostly led by Rabbi Mark. Our Rosh Hashanah (New Year) and Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement) services in September were held in-person, with Zoom options also being available
- Rabbi Mark continued to lead on-line Talmud study and Philosophy discussion groups. Prior to the covid pandemic, these classes were held in-person once a month but we have not reverted back to this schedule, rather the groups have continued on-line on a weekly basis. For those interested in converting, Exploring Judaism classes were held by Rabbi Mark, also every week and also on-line
- As has always been the case, in addition to his regular activities, Rabbi Mark continues to provide support to us both as a community and to individual members
- Our religion school (cheder) met on average every other week on a Saturday afternoon. From having only on-line classes at the start of the period, by the end our cheder established a pattern of alternating between in-person and on Zoom. With some of our cheder children living some way from Edinburgh, keeping some classes on Zoom has proven a good model. We have some 26 children in our cheder
- We have continued to send out, electronically, our 'weekly reminders' to members and other interested parties who have asked to receive our communications, as well as our bi-monthly newsletter, Etrog, which contains articles of general information. Copies of recent editions of Etrog

can be found on our website (<http://eljc.org/index.php/new-newsletter>) as indeed can other details about the community

More details about our activities are available in the reports that were presented to members at the AGM on 19th March 2023 and are available on our website at <http://eljc.org/index.php/organisation>.

Trustees as at 31st August 2022

Sue Bard, Jonathan Broadie, Marjory Broadie, Helen Ford, Stefano Giossi, Lorraine Hershon, Barrie Levine, Maurice Naftalin, Gillian Raab, Kyla Reid, Nick Silk, Rolando Hernandez Trapero, Rebecca Wober

Signed on behalf of the trustees by:



Nick Silk (co-chair)

Date 17/4/2023



Gillian Raab (secretary)

Date 18/4/2023

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