**Gospel Standard** Bethesda Fund

'Bethesda'

Bethesda:

The Challenges facing us

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- 2. Restoring the financial viability of Bethesda
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Committed into the custody of the Trustees is a Fund, with defined 'Beneficiaries'

Trustees have a duty to administer the Charity in accordance with its stated

Objects of Bethesda:

Minutes from 13th October 1944

2. That the objects of the Fund shall be to provide for the care and nursing of sick or infirm friends who have regularly attended 6.8. Baptist Chapels but have no gracious relatives or friends able and willing to care for them; and eventually to provide Homes where a number of such sick or infirm friends, and shall be accommendated and siven the nursing and friends could be accommodated and given the nursing and care required.

...the care and nursing....who have regularly attended G.S.Chapels...

Trust Deed 5th January 1948

WHEREAS; The Trustees are in possession of a fund known as the Gospel Standard thesda Fund which has been accumulated entirely by voluntary ontributions for the purpose of the assistance and care of the sick and infirm amongst the Protestant Dissenters calling themselves The Gospel Standard Strict and Particular Baptists who adhere to the Articles of Faith of the Gospel Standard Poor Relief Society as set out in the First Schedule to a Deed of Declaration of Trust dated the Twenty third day of November One thousand eight hundred and seventy eight.

.who adhere to the Articles of Faith of the Gospel Standard Poor Relief Society..

Scheme Registered with Charities Commission: Clause 4(1): Object of the Charity

The relief of persons in need, and in particular of elderly persons in need, who are:

- (a) sick or infirm; and
- (b) either members of a Gospel Standard church, or who regularly attend a Gospel Standard church

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We seek to maintain the distinct identity of Bethesda in accordance with that committed into our trust

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Bethesda: The Past

A reasonable geographical spread

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Harpenden: Built 1969 Bethesda: The Present Brighton: Built 1971 (3 ageing homes) Studley: Built 1987

A serious 'budget deficit': 2019 Budget Forecast presented to Bethesda: the Trustees: -£536,409 Final 2019 'Approved' Budget: -£393,677 The Present 2019 to date: Failing to achieve budget

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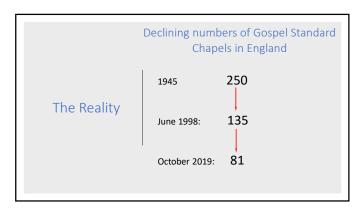
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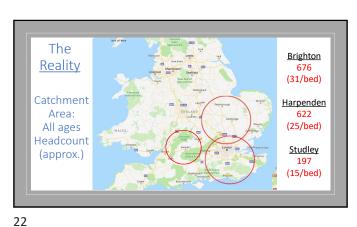














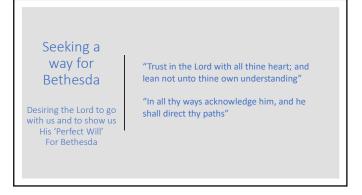
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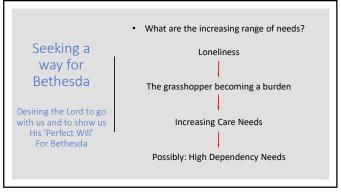
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How can we provide that care for the Lord's people close to where he has placed them?

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How can we structure Bethesda in such a way so as to provide the care that meets the current and future needs of the Lord's elderly people?

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The Journey: started with the consultation

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The reality check: Consultation: Bethesda is now a place of 'Last Resort'

Key issues as to why a 'Last Resort'

1. Loss of Independence

Consultation:

- 2. Leaving one's roots: own Chapel, friends or
- 3. Ability to leave an inheritance to children

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Secondary issues as to why a Last Resort:

Consultation:

- 1. Small Bedrooms
- 2. Inadequate bathrooms

'Desirability of Accommodation'

Observations/Suggestions received

Consultation:

2. Need to reduce number of homes

1. Need to increase fees

3. That Bethesda provides more 'home care' and 'sheltered accommodation'

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# Meetings with and visits: 1. Bethany Care Home 2. Graham Care Croup 3. Keychange 4. Koinonia Christian Care Home 5. LWP Homes 6. McCarthy & Stone Retirement Lifestyles Ltd

### Meetings with and visits:

- 7. Mission Care
- 8. Oak Tree Homes Trust
- 9. Pilgrim Homes

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- 10. Pilgrims' Friend Society
- 11. Salvation Army
- 12. Somerset Care

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## 1. Become a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO): a new form of legal entity designed for non-profit organisations in the United Kingdom. 2. Keep in mind the current and future needs of those Bethesda is here to serve 3. A Christian home is only viable if there are Christian people wanting to live there 4. Think afresh what is required – then consider how to get there.

### Key Points of Advice: 'General'

- 5. Try to develop a flexible model that can grow or shrink or relocate to meet demand.
- 6. Today's model has to be fit for 30 years: a generation
- 7. Do not take people to the care, but take care to the people
- 8. Residential Care has largely had its day: think 'Independent Living'

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## Key Points of Advice: 'General' 9. 'Independent Living' works well with 'planned care packages' 10. With 'Independent Living' most people can live to 'end of days' with the right 'Care Package' in place 11. Constant needs or frequent un-planned care requirements indicates that 'Independent Living' no longer suits that individual and there is a need for 'higher dependency care'

in a 'Residential Care Home' environment

### Key Points of Advice: 'General'

### 12.Many 'Independent Living Homes' would be needed on the same site as a Care Home, if the intention was for the natural progression to be from those units to that home: the dwell time in flats is 10 years or more

13.'Independent Living Homes' on the same site as a Care Home are not desirable: people do not like living on a Care Home site before the need arises

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### Key Points of Advice: 'Buildings/Location'

### Research

- 14.Don't be tempted to refurbish buildings: build new
- 15.Build care provision unobtrusively into new builds: think 'Care Ready' (lines of sight, taps automatically turning off, remote isolation of equipment)
- 16.Building discreetly for dementia, enables those who may develop dementia to enjoy their own home for longer

### Key Points of Advice: 'Buildings/Location'

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- 17.In any care home development, keep in mind that Dementia care in a 'Care Home' is best provided in small clusters of 6 8, grouped according to levels of need
- 18.Try to ensure any building is on level sites: split levels and retaining walls add significantly to development costs
- 19.For 'Independent Living' the availability of local amenities is more important than lovely countryside locations

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### Research

### Key Points of Advice: 'Buildings/Location'

- 20.Demographics suggest that the future 'elderly' will include an increasing proportion of males: the 'garden shed' will be an increasing factor of independent living
- 21.Ground floor space is at a premium for residential living: consider carefully the location of communal areas (possibly up a floor?)
- 22.Lifts are not as expensive as they were and they are increasingly reliable

### Key Points of Advice: 'Buildings/Location'

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- 23.Ensure appropriate planning expertise: Section 106 of the Planning Act and C2 usage implications (social care) need to be understood. Different LAs interpret in various ways can be a costly issue
- 24. The trend is for en suite wet rooms and communal 'accessible bathrooms'
- 25.En suites must be large enough for meaningful use so as to preserve the resident's dignity

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### Key Points of Advice: 'Buildings/Location'

### Research

- 26.Simplicity is the 'golden rule': the elderly do not want high-specification equipment that is confusing
- 27. Keep it homely, but attractive not ostentatious

### Key Points of Advice: 'Care'

### Research

- 28.Remember your customer is also the family of the resident: consider technology that keeps the family up to date with the resident's daily life (e.g. Facebook, with Privacy settings)
- 29. Continuity of care is important for the elderly
- 30.The interface with the family is essential so that progression into higher dependency care can, if needed, be anticipated and more readily accepted by all

# Research 31.Today's generation is a busy one: the care required may be only a daily visit on behalf of the family, to ensure that medicines are taken and to see that all is ok 32.A franchised approach to domiciliary care may suit both Bethesda and the care workers.

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33.Any scheme must 'break-even'

34.'Break-even' must include for a 10% p.a. margin (5% for unplanned expenditure and 5% for developing the charity)

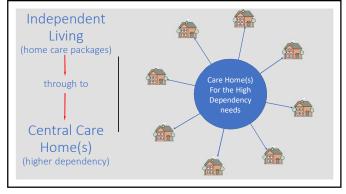
35.A scheme that clearly identifies the use of legacies will encourage giving: e.g. legacies buy independent living flats for those unable to afford to buy (i.e. legacies are not simply to balance the books)

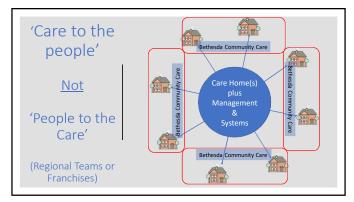
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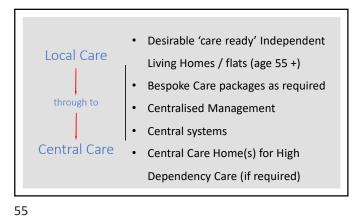
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New Bethesda A possible way forward

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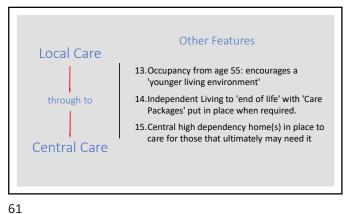


Advantages Local Care 4. The local Churches and congregations can become 'more directly involved' as appropriate in each case through to 5. You are in your own home and retain your independence 6. If you have invested in your flat, then that is still securing your capital so that it may Central Care ultimately be sold and the monies bequeathed as you wish



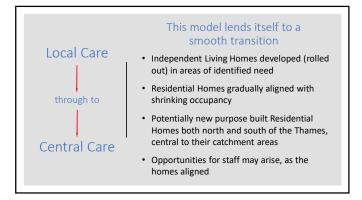






Other Features Local Care 16. Alleviates the 'concerns of old age' (such as home & garden maintenance issues) through to 17. Continuity of care in your own home provides security, safety & companionship 18. Entrance from age 55+ would potentially enable you and your parents to purchase Central Care homes in the same suite so that you can look after them in a 'care ready home'

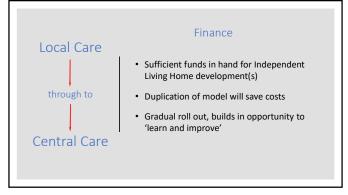
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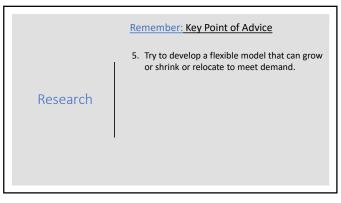




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What might a 'New Residential Home' look like?









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Scheme Registered with Charities Commission:
Clause 4(2): Object of the Charity

In furtherance of the object, the Committee may provide homes and flats for those persons who are qualified under sub-clause (1) above and are in need of such accommodation

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Restoring the financial viability of Bethesda

- This wider concept currently make provision for two 'Central Care Homes'
- If we are to proceed with this concept, rationalising down to two Residential Homes would seem to be a prudent first move
- Centralise some of the administration functions to save costs and then
- Financial remodelling to take into account the outcome of these proposals.
- Followed by revised Fee Rates to be introduced from target dates:
  - new residents 1/1/20
- existing residents 1/4/20

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(CIO)

CIO's were launched in 2013 to combine the benefits of being a charity with those of being a company

- An 'Unincorporated Charity' is not a legal body in its own right
- It can <u>not</u> enter into contracts in its own
- Nor can it register the title of land & property in its own name (it has to use a trustee's name or the name of the Custodian Trustee - GST)

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### Unincorporated Charity Charitable

Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)

- To move forward with the proposals outlined, Bethesda will need to be a legal entity that can enter contracts in its own name
- Bethesda's Auditors have recommended this route for the protection of Trustees
- The Committee has passed a motion to make the transition to a 'Foundation CIO' (the simplest model of CIO) and this is in progress

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Please become subscribers – Now (Thank you if you already are)

This will enable us to keep you fully informed and engaged throughout this journey

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This model spreads the responsibility for Bethesda more widely and in doing so, allows friends from many chapels to become more easily involved and to help with Bethesda

At the present many of our young people only know about Bethesda if they have a relative there or if their parent is involved in Bethesda:

Making Bethesda accessible/local encourages the young to also help, even as a Saturday job in the garden etc.

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Gospel Standard Bethesda Fund Let us acknowledge the Lord's provision of Bethesda and, with His help, work together to create a caring, accessible environment that people want to live in

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Desiring the Lord to go with us and to show us His 'Perfect Will' For Bethesda "In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths"