Report on the SCORE AGM held (via zoom) on Monday 10 May 2021

The SCORE accounts for 2020 were presented to the meeting.
Summary: Income £15,799. Grants £14,177. Closing balance just over £2,000.
Grants to local groups totalled £6,000 (RISE:61 £1,000; Alabaré £4,000; Street Pastors £1,000).
Grants to overseas projects totalled £8,177 (Project Uganda £1,012; Maridi Diocese, S Sudan £2,000; Tabar society £1,000; Hope Exchange, Cape Town £2,000; EdUKaid £2,000).

Three presentations were given including 2 from the above overseas projects

Maridi Diocese, S Sudan. Jane Shaw, an Anglican minister from Warminster, talked about working with Bishop Moses in Maridi Diocese. Originally the link provided mutual support with prayer but now includes raising financial support for projects such as running schools and clinics.

Hope Exchange, Cape Town, S Africa is a charity working with homeless people. It assists 2,200 people each year. The scale of homelessness is considerable - in a population of 3.75million there are 14,000 homeless people (12,000 live on the streets and 2,000 can be accommodated). The charity aims to reintegrate its clients into society and be reconnected with families. In addition thousands live in poor and insecure housing. There are no safety nets or social care benefits. Warren Conrad and Annie Kirke thanked SCORE for its interest and support.

Laptops for schools. Richard Sanderson talked about the successful appeal, launched by the Catenians, to secure laptops for children who were obliged to study at home during Covid restrictions. When schools were asked to provide online learning many children were found to be inadequately provided with the necessary equipment. The Catenians organised the collection of used laptops and, with SCORE, raised money to buy new ones. Children from St Osmund's and Christ the King benefitted hugely from participating in online learning. Richard thanked SCORE and the Catenians. £5,415 was raised to purchase laptops and £1,000 extra will come from gift aid.