

**THE FRIENDS OF ST EBBE'S TRUST  
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND  
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

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## **THE FRIENDS OF ST EBBE'S TRUST**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

##### **Objectives and aims**

The Trust has been set up as a registered charity for the advancement of the Christian gospel in the City of Oxford, in particular by supporting evangelism and pastoral work amongst the students and other young people in the universities, colleges and elsewhere.

Its primary aim at the outset was to fund a student curate or worker at St Ebbe's.

The charity appeals for donations and gifts to help support the employment costs of staff directly involved in the student ministry at St Ebbe's.

The Trustees have complied with the duty within Section 17(5) of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

#### **ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE**

##### **Charitable activities**

The charity continued its role in financially supporting the student work at St Ebbe's Church.

#### **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

##### **Financial position**

Donations and gifts received totalled £181,830 (2023: £210,566). The market value of investments at the balance sheet date was £143,251 (2023: £140,168). The net assets of the trust were £125,674 (2023: £103,728) after taking account of the 2023/24 annual grant committed up to 30 September 2024.

The core grant committed for the year ended 30 September 2024 is £153,713.10. The liability for grants to St Ebbe's at 31 December 2024 (including this core grant) is £153,713.10. In addition to this core grant, other grants were made to St Ebbe's in 2024.

#### **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

##### **Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

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#### **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

##### **Charity constitution**

The Trust was constituted by a deed dated 13 December 1994 and is administered and managed by the trustees under the name of the Friends of St Ebbe's Trust or any other name the trustees may decide with the approval of the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales.

The board of Trustees consists of at least six people being:

1. The ex-officio trustee, who shall be the Rector or Priest in Charge of St Ebbe's Church, Oxford or, during an interregnum, a person nominated by the last Rector or Priest in Charge, or a person nominated by the Churchwardens of St Ebbes;
2. Two nominated trustees, one appointed by the Parochial Church Council of St Ebbe's and the other appointed by the Oxford Churches Trust. Each appointment shall be for a term of four years at a meeting convened and held according to the ordinary practice of the appointing body. The person appointed may be, but need not be, a member of the appointing body.
3. Four co-opted trustees who are to be persons who through residence, occupation, employment or otherwise have special knowledge of the area of benefit or who are otherwise able by virtue of their personal or professional qualifications to make a contribution to the pursuit of the objects or the management of the charity. They are to be appointed for a term of five years by a resolution of the trustees passed at a special meeting of which not less than 21 days' notice has been given.

#### **REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

##### **Registered Charity number**

1043090

##### **Principal address**

c/o St Ebbe's Rectory  
2 Roger Bacon Lane  
OXFORD  
OX1 1QE

##### **Trustees**

S Neal (Treasurer)  
A Maidment (Chair)  
O Bartlett (Co-chair)  
J Chan  
M van der Walt  
V Roberts  
A Carter  
A Felce  
G Green

##### **Independent Examiner**

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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 31/10/2025 and signed on its behalf by:



.....  
Trustee

# INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE FRIENDS OF ST EBBE'S TRUST

## Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Friends of St Ebbe's Trust

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Friends of St Ebbe's Trust (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2024.

### Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

### Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Date: 31 Oct 25

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Endowment fund £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>					
Donations and legacies		181,830	-	181,830	210,566
Investment income	2	3,268	-	3,268	2,866
Other income		3,887	-	3,887	-
<b>Total</b>		<u>188,985</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>188,985</u>	<u>213,432</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>					
Raising funds	3	-	-	-	960
<b>Charitable activities</b>					
Support for St Ebbe's Church		170,121	-	170,121	183,846
<b>Total</b>		<u>170,121</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>170,121</u>	<u>184,806</u>
Net gains/(losses) on investments		3,768	(686)	3,082	6,412
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>		22,632	(686)	21,946	35,038
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>					
Total funds brought forward		86,811	16,917	103,728	68,690
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u>109,443</u>	<u>16,231</u>	<u>125,674</u>	<u>103,728</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

**THE FRIENDS OF ST EBBE'S TRUST**

**BALANCE SHEET  
31 DECEMBER 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Endowment fund £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Investments	6	127,020	16,231	143,251	140,168
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Debtors	7	14,680	-	14,680	25,190
Cash at bank		41,498	-	41,498	90,733
		<u>56,178</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>56,178</u>	<u>115,923</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>					
Amounts falling due within one year	8	(73,755)	-	(73,755)	(152,363)
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>(17,577)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(17,577)</u>	<u>(36,440)</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>109,443</u>	<u>16,231</u>	<u>125,674</u>	<u>103,728</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>109,443</u>	<u>16,231</u>	<u>125,674</u>	<u>103,728</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>	9				
Unrestricted funds				109,443	86,811
Endowment funds				16,231	16,917
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>				<u>125,674</u>	<u>103,728</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on ..... and were signed on its behalf by:



Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements



# THE FRIENDS OF ST EBBE'S TRUST

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### BASIS OF PREPARING THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at market value, as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

#### INCOME

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

#### EXPENDITURE

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

#### TAXATION

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

#### FUND ACCOUNTING

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

### 2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other fixed asset invest - FII	3,268	2,866

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3. RAISING FUNDS

RAISING DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2024 £	2023 £
Support costs	-	960

4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2024 nor for the year ended 31 December 2023.

TRUSTEES' EXPENSES

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2024 nor for the year ended 31 December 2023.

5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted fund £	Endowment fund £	Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>			
Donations and legacies	210,566	-	210,566
Investment income	2,865	1	2,866
<b>Total</b>	<b>213,431</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>213,432</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>			
Raising funds	960	-	960
<b>Charitable activities</b>			
Support for St Ebbe's Church	183,846	-	183,846
<b>Total</b>	<b>184,806</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>184,806</b>
Net gains on investments	6,176	236	6,412
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>34,801</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>35,038</b>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
Total funds brought forward	52,010	16,680	68,690
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<b>86,811</b>	<b>16,917</b>	<b>103,728</b>

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

### 6. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Unlisted investments £
<b>MARKET VALUE</b>	
At 1 January 2024	140,168
Revaluations	3,083
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At 31 December 2024	143,251
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<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>	
At 31 December 2024	143,251
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At 31 December 2023	140,168
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There were no investment assets outside the UK.

Cost or valuation at 31 December 2024 is represented by:

	Unlisted investments £
Valuation in 2017	66
Valuation in 2018	(6,440)
Valuation in 2019	5,021
Valuation in 2020	5,397
Valuation in 2021	(11,245)
Valuation in 2022	(20,781)
Valuation in 2023	6,412
Valuation in 2024	3,083
Cost	161,738
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	143,251
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### 7. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024 £	2023 £
Prepayments and accrued income	14,680	25,190
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8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024 £	2023 £
Other creditors	73,755	152,363

9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/1/24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/12/24 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	86,811	22,632	109,443
<b>Endowment funds</b>			
Expendable Endowment	16,917	(686)	16,231
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>103,728</u>	<u>21,946</u>	<u>125,674</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	188,985	(170,121)	3,768	22,632
<b>Endowment funds</b>				
Expendable Endowment	-	-	(686)	(686)
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>188,985</u>	<u>(170,121)</u>	<u>3,082</u>	<u>21,946</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/1/23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/12/23 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	52,010	34,801	86,811
<b>Endowment funds</b>			
Expendable Endowment	16,680	237	16,917
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>68,690</u>	<u>35,038</u>	<u>103,728</u>

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9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	213,431	(184,806)	6,176	34,801
<b>Endowment funds</b>				
Expendable Endowment	1	-	236	237
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>213,432</u>	<u>(184,806)</u>	<u>6,412</u>	<u>35,038</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/1/23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/12/24 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	52,010	57,433	109,443
<b>Endowment funds</b>			
Expendable Endowment	16,680	(449)	16,231
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>68,690</u>	<u>56,984</u>	<u>125,674</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	402,416	(354,927)	9,944	57,433
<b>Endowment funds</b>				
Expendable Endowment	1	-	(450)	(449)
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>402,417</u>	<u>(354,927)</u>	<u>9,494</u>	<u>56,984</u>

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**10. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2024.

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**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

	2024 £	2023 £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>		
<b>Donations and legacies</b>		
Donations	164,795	188,872
Gift aid	17,035	21,694
	<u>181,830</u>	<u>210,566</u>
<b>Investment income</b>		
Other fixed asset invest - FII	3,268	2,866
<b>Other income</b>		
RBS Bank compensation	3,887	-
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<u>188,985</u>	<u>213,432</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Sundries	520	3,301
Grants to institutions	106,495	104,597
Grants to individuals	61,906	74,748
	<u>168,921</u>	<u>182,646</u>
<b>Support costs</b>		
<b>Governance costs</b>		
Accountancy and legal fees	1,200	2,160
<b>Total resources expended</b>	<u>170,121</u>	<u>184,806</u>
<b>Net income</b>	<u><u>18,864</u></u>	<u><u>28,626</u></u>

This page does not form part of the statutory financial statements