



# VIVACITY

CHARITY NUMBER: 1066646

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025

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### Report of the Trustees

The Trustees, have pleasure in presenting their report and the financial statements for the Charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025. 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 the Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).

#### **PRINCIPAL AIMS AND OBJECTIVES**

The principal aim of Vivacity is the advancement of the Christian Faith through the proclamation of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ and the teaching of the Word of God in accordance with the Statement of Beliefs detailed in the Governing Document (Charity Registration no. 1066646, England & Wales).

Day to day management of the trust is vested in the leadership team led by the Senior Pastor who reports to the trustees as Director.

Vivacity (trading as The Vine Church) is part of the international Vine Church Network, with partner churches and ministries across Brazil, the USA, Europe, Africa and Asia.

The Trustees confirm that they have had due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when planning and reviewing the charity's activities.

#### **STRATEGY**

Our strategy throughout 2024–2025 has remained focused on:

1. Communicating the truth of the Gospel and the teachings of the Christian faith in ways that are relevant and accessible to today's culture.
2. Continuing to build strong, Christ-centred, Bible-based churches in the UK, Ireland, and beyond.
3. Encouraging all members of The Vine Church to:
  - a. Engage actively in church life through participation in a Life Group.
  - b. Serve in practical and spiritual ways to strengthen the life of the church.
  - c. Reach out to their communities with compassion and faith.
  - d. Take personal responsibility to share the Gospel and disciple others.
  - e. Grow personally through prayer, Bible study and generosity.

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Report of the Trustees**SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES**

During the year, Vivacity continued to grow and strengthen its ministry across the Vine Church UK network.

**Church Growth and Development**

The Vine Church in Swindon has remained our main hub, while our church plants in London, Bristol, Manchester, Eastbourne, and Dublin have continued to mature.

Our work in Ireland has grown significantly, now encompassing Life Groups in five towns, with regular gatherings and growing leadership teams.

In Manchester, we celebrated a major milestone during the year with the ordination of Giordani Travaglia de Souza as Pastor at our first- Vine UK Conference, held at The Deanery CE Academy in Swindon in May, which brought together over 250 participants from across the UK network.

The Netherlands work has now come under the supervision of Vine Portugal, reflecting our growing European collaboration within the global Vine network.

**Ministry Activities and Outreach**

We continued to hold numerous Encounter Weekends, Impact Days, and evangelistic events across both our English-speaking and Portuguese-speaking congregations. These included Kids Encounters for children, Youth Encounters, Adult Encounters and House of Miracles events.

We also saw further baptisms this year, celebrating new believers committing publicly to their faith in Jesus. Although we needed to pause the work in the Brain Court retirement housing complex, our pastoral care and community outreach initiatives continued to bring comfort and hope to the elderly and isolated in the community.

Weekly street evangelism through our SOS – Salvation on the Streets team has remained an essential part of our outreach rhythm, sharing faith and prayer across Swindon.

**Training and Discipleship**

Discipleship continues to be at the heart of our mission. We have sustained our regular pattern of weekly Life Groups, prayer meetings and fasting campaigns held twice a year, and leadership training through two 22-week terms each year delivering our core courses: the Spiritual Maturity Course and the Leadership Training Course.

Consolidation and New Members Courses support new believers through structured mentoring during their first three months in the church. Our Newness Course, written by Pastor Antônio Fernandes, continues to be a powerful discipleship tool guiding new believers through the foundations of faith in one-to-one sessions.

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Report of the Trustees**Youth and Children's Ministry**

Our youth ministry has continued to thrive with youth services, prayer vigils, leadership development, and evangelistic and social activities that strengthen faith and build community.

The Vine Learning Centre (VLC) continues to operate as a homeschooling cooperative supporting Christian families using the ACE (Accelerated Christian Education) curriculum.

Several new families joined this year, and many have shared testimonies of the positive academic and spiritual growth in their children.

**Restricted funds**

During the year the charity received one donation which was given for a specific purpose and has therefore been treated as restricted fund in accordance with charity law.

These funds have been applied solely to the activities for which they were designated and are monitored separately.

This donation happened on 03/06/2024, as a one off transfer of £193,628.05 from a donor from abroad who wished to remain anonymous. The donor specified that this gift should be used exclusively for the Vine Kids Ministry, the Vine Learning Centre, Nursery project and associated projects including renovation and expansion of facilities needed to run these areas of work within the charity location.

In line with the donor's wishes and the Charities SORP requirements, this income has been recorded as a restricted fund and will be applied only to these designated purposes. Any unspent balance at the year-end has been carried forward into the next financial period for its continued intended use.

**International Strengthening**

A significant development this year was welcoming Pastor Reinaldo de Góes and his family from Brazil under a Charitable Worker Visa. Their arrival has greatly strengthened our network, offering vital pastoral and strategic support across our churches in London, Swindon, and Ireland.

**Future Plans**

Looking ahead to 2025–2026, Vivacity will continue to focus on strengthening and growing our network of churches across the UK and Ireland, training and releasing new leaders and pastors, deepening discipleship and community outreach, supporting emerging works, and developing our facilities and administrative infrastructure.

**Administration**

Our offices and classrooms for trainings are at 86/90 Swindon Road, Swindon, SN3 4PT.

Report of the Trustees**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

**Name of Charity:** VIVACITY (t/as The Vine Church)

**Charity registration number:** 1066646

**Principal address:** 86/90 Swindon Road, Swindon, SN3 4PT

**Trustees**

The trustees and officers serving during the year and since the year end were as follows:

- Michael Lukyamuzi
- Esther Mebrahtu
- Giordani Travaglia

(No trustees resigned or were appointed during the year.)

**Independent examiners**

SJPR Accountants Ltd

225 Clapham Road, London, SW9 9BE

**Public Benefit Statement**

The Trustees confirm that, in carrying out the charity's aims, they have complied with the duty under section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. Through its worship services, discipleship courses, community projects, and charitable outreach, The Vine Church provides spiritual, social, and emotional support to hundreds of individuals and families across the UK and beyond, contributing to stronger communities and personal wellbeing.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

  
Michael Lukyamuzi [Jan 20, 2026 15:55:11 GMT]

Michael Lukyamuzi

Date: Jan 20, 2026

Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

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

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent examiners statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 Charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 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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Sansao Rodrigues

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Statement of Financial Activities

	31.03.2025			31.03.2024
	Unrestricted	Restricted	TOTAL	TOTAL
<b>Income and endowments</b>				
Offerings & Donations	£237,250.92	£193,628.05	£430,878.97	£199,369.76
Product Sales & Courses	£650.00		£650.00	£695.00
Gift Aid Reclaim	£29,594.83		£29,594.83	£25,709.32
Other Income	£4,192.22		£4,192.22	£1,455.35
Vine Learning Centre Fees	£65,447.00		£65,447.00	£63,774.70
Event fees	£24,184.30		£24,184.30	£24,620.16
Youth Fundraising	£946.59		£946.59	£344.32
Interest Income	£1,904.27		£1,904.27	£332.19
	<b>£364,170.13</b>	<b>£193,628.05</b>	<b>£557,798.18</b>	<b>£316,300.80</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>				
General Employment Costs	£104,996.90		£104,996.90	£89,869.61
Professional Fees	£5,134.61		£5,134.61	£5,811.08
Rent Expense	£20,976.72		£20,976.72	£24,606.42
Motor Running & Repairs	£7,865.48		£7,865.48	£7,710.77
Travel Expense	£13,578.05		£13,578.05	£12,891.77
Insurance	£5,935.50		£5,935.50	£4,747.19
Meals and Hospitality	£1,324.11		£1,324.11	£1,413.31
Media Equipment	£11,181.50		£11,181.50	£8,061.46
Vine Kids	£4,125.41		£4,125.41	£6,446.06
Conference and Event Expenses	£32,489.10		£32,489.10	£26,752.50
Donations/Charitable Contributions	£30,612.36		£30,612.36	£11,692.51
Printing and Reproduction	£11,720.59		£11,720.59	£7,014.57
Subscriptions	£333.12		£333.12	£438.40
Training/Education	£5,882.85		£5,882.85	£3,769.38
Utilities, Office Supplies & Maintenance	£24,095.10		£24,095.10	£20,044.74
Advertising/Promotional	£456.77		£456.77	£653.86
Site Renovation & Maintenance	£18,127.04		£18,127.04	£22,966.22
Vine Learning Centre Expenses	£33,492.13		£33,492.13	£30,139.30
Vine Learning Employment Costs	£30,014.80		£30,014.80	£28,402.00
Vine Church London Project	£18,582.98		£18,582.98	
Depreciation	£1,109.26		£1,109.26	£2,215.48
	<b>£382,034.38</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£382,034.38</b>	<b>£315,646.63</b>
<b>Net income/expenditure</b>	<b>-£17,864.25</b>	<b>£193,628.05</b>	<b>£175,763.80</b>	<b>£654.17</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>				
Total funds brought forward	£23,954.97	£0.00	£23,954.97	£23,300.80
Total funds carried forward	£6,090.72	£193,628.05	£199,718.77	£23,954.97

Statement of Financial Position

	<b>31.03.2025</b>	<b>31.03.2024</b>
<b>Fixed Assets</b>		
Furniture and Fixtures (cost)	£6,612.00	£6,612.00
Additions		
Disposals		
Depreciation	-£6,612.00	-£6,612.00
Vehicles (cost)	£6,995.00	£6,995.00
Additions	£13,649.00	
Disposals		
Depreciation	-£4,035.79	-£2,926.53
<b>Net Value</b>	<b>£16,608.21</b>	<b>£4,068.47</b>
 <b>Current assets</b>		
HSBC Current Account	£2,019.28	£7,585.95
HSBC Savings Account	£19,502.23	£13,181.06
Natwest Current Account	£8,634.77	£5,346.31
HSBC ISA Account	£150,000.00	
Petty Cash	£62.78	£2.69
Debtors	£9,213.88	
Loan - The Vine Church London	£3,161.40	£3,192.50
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>£192,594.34</b>	<b>£29,308.51</b>
 <b>Current Liabilities</b>		
Tax and National Insurance	£1,903.86	£1,860.07
Creditors		£62.87
Wages and Salaries	£7,252.45	£7,321.45
Pension provisions	£327.47	£177.62
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>£9,483.78</b>	<b>£9,422.01</b>
 <b>Net assets (total assets less current liabilities)</b>	<b>£199,718.77</b>	<b>£23,954.97</b>
 <b>The funds of the charity</b>	<b>£199,718.77</b>	<b>£23,954.97</b>



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Notes to the Financial Statements**ACCOUNTING POLICIES****Basis of accounting**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for investments which are included at market value and the revaluation of certain fixed assets and 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 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), and the Companies Act 2006.

VIVACITY meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognized at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

**Statement of cash flows**

The Trustees have taken advantage of the exemption in SORP FRS 102 from including a cash flow statement in the financial statements on the grounds that the charitable company is small.

**Incoming resources**

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when the Charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

**Resources expended**

Liabilities are recognized as resources expended when there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the Charity to the expenditure:

**Tangible fixed assets**

Tangible fixed assets, other than freehold land, are stated at cost or valuation less depreciation and any provision for impairment. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost or valuation of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following basis: