

**Charity registration number 1067759 (England and Wales)**

**THE SHAARE HAYIM CONGREGATION  
ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

# THE SHAARE HAYIM CONGREGATION

## LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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Trustees	Judith Amosi-Khodadad Stephen Blank Jonathan Dwek Clement Goldstone Philip Hodari Jack Shalom Jonathan Shasha Reuben Solomon Anthony Sultan Judith Moryoussef	(Appointed 11 May 2025)
Charity number (England and Wales)	1067759	
Principal address	24 Wicker Lane Hale Barns Altrincham Cheshire WA15 0HQ	
Auditor	Royce Peeling Green Limited The Copper Room Deva City Office Park Trinity Way Manchester M3 7BG	

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# THE SHAARE HAYIM CONGREGATION

## TRUSTEES' REPORT

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2025.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Charities SORP "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)".

#### Reference and administrative details

##### **The Charity name**

The legal name of the Charity is: - The Shaare Hayim Congregation ("the Congregation") and it is known as The Sephardi Congregation of South Manchester.

##### **The Charity's areas operation and UK charitable registration**

The Charity is registered in England & Wales with the Charity Commission for England & Wales (CCEW) with Charity number 1067759.

##### **Legal structure of the charity**

The governing document of the charity is the Trust Deed dated 3rd December 1997 as amended 11th December 2022. Management of the charity is delegated under the Trust Deed to the Council whose actions are governed by the Ascarnot adopted 20th May 2007 as amended 16th May 2010, 13th December 2015, 11th December 2022 and 23rd December 2025. The Trustees are all individuals.

#### Objectives and activities

##### **The principal operating address, telephone number, email and web addresses of the Charity are: -**

24 Wicker Lane,  
Hale Barns,  
WA15 0HQ  
Telephone 0161 980 1877  
Email Address: admin@shaarehayim.org.uk  
Website: www.shaarehayim.org.uk

##### **The following Trustees served during the year ended 31 December 2025: -**

Name	Position, Committees	Appointed	Re-election	Retired
Judith Amosi-Khodadad	Risk, Child and Adult s/g trustee	2024	2029	
Stephen Blank	Chair of Trustees, Risk, Audit	2018	2026	
Jonathan Dwek	Ex-officio as Chair of Council, Risk	2023	N/A	
Clement Goldstone		2018	2027	
Philip Hodari		2023	2028	
Judith Moryoussef		2025		
Jack Shalom	Secretary	2024	2029	
Jonathan Shasha	Risk	2018	2026	
Richard Simon	Adult safeguarding lead	2022		2025
Reuben Solomon	Audit	2011	2027*	
Anthony Sultan		2011	2029	

Richard Simon stood down as a Trustee. His wealth of experience will not be lost as he will be invited to attend Trustees meetings. Stephen Blank and Jonathan Shasha offer themselves for re-election. Judith Amosi-Khodadad wished to stand down at the AGM and the Chair of Trustees will propose Dr Emma Solomons as a new Trustee.

\* Reuben Solomon was re-elected as a Trustee in 2025 and will stand again for re-election under the 'age 77' rule.

#### Secretary

The Trustees re-appointed Jack Shalom as Secretary to the Trustees as permitted under the Trust Deed.

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## TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

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The following persons served on the Council during the year ended 31 December 2025: -

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Retired*</b>	<b>Appointed*</b>
Jonathan Dwek	Chair of Council, Executive		
Stephen Elias	Treasurer, Executive		
Tracey Kingsley	Hon Secretary, Executive	2025	
Alison Farshi	Hon Secretary, Executive		2025
Michael Khodadad	President, Executive		
Reuben Solomon	Vice Chair, Executive		
David Adams			
Ed Gee	Co-opted after retiring 2025		2025
Paul Goldsmith			
Richard Simon		2025	
Shir Todd			
Ben Whiteman			
Danny Wolfson			

\* The AGM took place on 11 May 2025 which was the effective date

The following persons served on the President's Committee during the year ended 31 December 2025: -

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Retired*</b>	<b>Appointed*</b>
Michael Khodadad	President		2024
Jonathan Dwek (Hale)	Warden/Chair of Council		2024
Reuben Solomon (Hale)	Warden/Vice Chair of Council		2024
Anthony Sultan (Hale)	Warden		2025
Eli Cohen (Didsbury)	Warden		2025
Danny Wolfson (Didsbury)	Warden		2025
Victor Hassan (Didsbury)	Warden	2025	

\* The AGM took place on 11 May 2025 which was the effective date

## Objects and activities of the Charity

### *The purposes of the Charity as set out in its governing document*

The principal objects of the Congregation are to facilitate Jewish worship in the Sephardi tradition and rituals formerly practiced by the Shaare Sedek Synagogue Congregation and the Withington Congregation (Shaare Rahamim) and for such other congregational educational and charitable purposes as the Congregation shall from time to time direct including the right to appoint a minister or reader who is Jewish and conforms with the said tradition and rituals.

The Trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in managing the activities of the Charity as well as management of conflicts and complaints.

Under the Trust Deed, the Trustees are empowered:

To permit the Charity to be managed in accordance with the Ascama by a committee ("the Council" formerly known as the Mahamad) and for this purpose to delegate to the Council power to invite and accept applications from persons of the Jewish religion to become members of the Congregation, to levy an annual donation or fee for such membership, to accept contributions to raise money by appeals and other similar means and to perform such acts (not required by law to be performed by the Trustees) as are necessary in order to conduct the ordinary business of the Charity in accordance with the Objects and with the Ascama.

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#### **The main achievements and performance of the Charity during the year**

Rabbi Amir and Tova Ellituv left the Congregation to take up a new position in London after many loyal years of service and were replaced by Rabbi Yair and Ilana Fries following ratification of their appointment at an EGM on 23rd December 2025.

The Chair of Trustees, Stephen Blank, has committed himself to look carefully for new Trustees who would add diversity and relevant experience. Mrs Judith Moryoussef became a Trustee at the 2025 AGM replacing Richard Simon who is not standing for re-election. The Congregation has great deal to thank Richard for over many years and it is to be hoped that his wealth of experience and wisdom will remain available to the Trustees in particular and the Congregation as a whole.

Jonathan Dwek who is Council Chair continues as a Trustee ex-officio.

#### **Real Estate**

18 Wicker Lane (Partington Farm) has been occupied by Rabbi Amir and his family until his departure in December 2025 and subsequently by Rabbi Fries and his family following refurbishment from 1 April 2026.20 Wicker Lane (Partington Cottage) has been used by Rabbi Fries and his family on Shabbatot until their move in April 2026 – we anticipate that this will be used by youth workers.

22 Wicker Lane (Coach House) is rented out and continues to generate an income for the Congregation.

8 Queenston Road continues to be used by Rabbi Fries until he moves to Partington Farm.

Following the marketing process for the development and downsize of Queenston Road Didsbury, discussions have continued with a preferred developer on the recommendation of Savills, our advisers in this matter. Any formal proposal that eventually results will require the approval of 60% of the Trustees and 60% of the Congregation in a General Meeting. Preliminary resolutions relating to this and the construction of a replacement synagogue in Didsbury were passed by a majority in excess of the required 60% at an EGM on 15 October 2023.

#### **Risk Management**

In 2023, the Risk Committee which then comprised Trustees Stephen Blank, Jonathan Dwek, Victor Hassan and Simone Shammah undertook a complete review of the Charity's Risk Management. Having compiled a High-Level Risk Assessment - including necessary actions to mitigate risks deemed to be important - a Risk Register and a comprehensive suite of Policies and Procedures were produced and adopted by the Trustees on 18th January 2024. After further review two more Policies and Procedures were produced and these, as well as the existing ones, were reviewed and approved by the Trustees on 2nd February 2025. The production of Health & Safety Manual and associated procedures was delegated to the Council and had been published on 21 July 2023 at which point Mr Adi Dean, of Ensure Safety & Training, was appointed 'Competent Person' with overall responsibility for overseeing health and safety matters. They have all been reviewed and revisions made to the Child Safeguarding policy and procedures by Mrs Amosi-Khodadad, to whom we owe grateful thanks. The Congregation's Complaints, Whistleblowing and Safeguarding policies are publicly available on our website. Members have been advised of the other Policies & Procedures via our newsletter, and, as forecast last year,they are now available on the members section of our website.

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#### Internal Financial Controls

The Trustees and Executive are well aware of the requirements of CCEW Guidance document CC8 "Internal Financial Controls" and this year are pleased that compliance can be demonstrated in particular with production of accurate Management Accounts, within six weeks of the period end. Grateful thanks are due to Council Member Ed Gee and Lauren Briggs whose help has been invaluable together with our Bookkeeper/Office Administrator, Cornie Yuda. Cornie has now left to take up a different position and the office work is now to be split between an on-site office manager (to be appointed) and a bookkeeper, Marilyn Blank, wife of the Chair of Trustees who will work mainly remotely. The decision to retain Marilyn's services was made by the Executive and the Trustees were not involved. Anyone who knows Marilyn will appreciate that her decision was entirely her own! We are grateful to Ed Gee for allowing Lauren to continue in her valuable role.

#### Structure, governance and management of the Charity

##### *The methods used to recruit and appoint new Charity Trustees*

These were comprehensively revised in the Trust Deed effective 11th December 2022.

There shall be at least four Trustees and a maximum of ten Trustees. Every future Trustee shall be appointed by a resolution of the Members of the Congregation requesting such appointment passed at a General Meeting called in accordance with the Ascamot.

Any Full Member seeking election as a Trustee shall apply to the Chair of Trustees for consideration. If the candidate is deemed a worthy applicant by the Trustees, the Chair of Trustees shall recommend the applicant for election at the General Meeting of the Members, whose election shall be appointed by a simple majority vote.

No person shall be appointed as a Trustee:

- unless he or she has attained the age of 21 years and shall have been a Full Member of the Congregation (as defined in the Ascamot) for not less than 5 years and who are not more than 6 months in arrears of subscription fees and meet the criteria set in out this Trust Deed.
- In considering individuals for appointment as Trustees, the Trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the Charity.
- Any vacancy shall be filled by an election held at a General Meeting of the Members convened for the purpose and approved by simple majority.
- Trustees shall hold office for a maximum of 5 years before presenting for re-election. After the age of 77, a retiring Trustee who wishes to remain a Trustee shall present for re-election every 2 years. The Trust Deed was silent about existing Trustees. The Trustees have therefore voluntarily agreed that they must be considered for re-election (if they choose to stand) as follows: 2026: Jonathan Shasha, Stephen Blank; 2027: Clement Goldstone, Reuben Solomon.
- The Chair of Council shall automatically be a Trustee.

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#### *The Charity's organisational structure*

The Congregation has a two-tier decision-making process. The duties of the Council are set out in the Ascamot which were adopted (replacing the previous Ascamot) at an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Congregation held on 11th December 2022 and the latest revision was agreed at an EGM on 23rd December 2025. The Council has responsibility for the business affairs, management and administration of the Congregation.

The President's Committee is responsible for religious, cultural and social functions of the Congregation and for all its rituals and ceremonies. The Honorary Officers and President's Committee, and from 2009, the Council are appointed annually by the Congregation.

The assets of the Congregation are vested in the Trustees, who are appointed by the Congregation and are responsible for strategy, risk management and compliance with the Charities Acts 2011 and 2022 as well as CCEW Guidance.

At the Council Meeting held on 20th June 2016, the Council unanimously adopted a formalised modus operandi for the operation of the Yom Kippur Appeal, in order that the Congregation should have greater visibility of the application of funds raised by the Appeal and in accordance with the principles of sound governance.



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The Congregation's principal bankers are NatWest plc, 19 Market Street, Manchester, M1 1WR

The donations for this year are listed in note 4 to the accounts.

#### *The Charity's relationships with related parties*

The Congregation is directly related to: -

- The Conjoint Board of Elders of the Manchester Congregations of Spanish and Portuguese Jews, Charity number 500074.

#### **Financial review**

The Trustees recommend the reappointment of RPG Chartered Accountants (RPG) as auditors for the year ended 31st December 2025 which will be proposed at the forthcoming AGM.

Following discussion with RPG, the Trustees have decided to change the accounting basis for Subscriptions, Voluntary Contributions and Donations generally to cash receipts rather than accrued income. We consider this to be a more accurate representation of the reality of the transaction. Amounts pledged are still recorded on our ShulCloud system and as at the end of December 2025, £138,490 in pledges were unfulfilled, of this £81,890 had been pledged over 3 months earlier but £25,734 of the 3 months plus figure is being settled by standing order. Disturbingly, £11,074 of the overdue figure represents unfulfilled YK Appeal pledges which were still outstanding at 28 February 2026. Disappointingly, the Executive considers £31,800 of these pledges unlikely ever to be fulfilled.

The Trustees had until this year treated the freehold land and building portfolio as a single asset and on this basis assessed its residual value to be no less than cost meaning that depreciation over its expected 40 year life was £Nil. Now that the fixed asset register is inhouse, based on our Xero accounting software system, we were able to examine these assets individually and note that the residual value of the Wicker Lane synagogue building and the land upon which it is sited is less than the total cost, generating a depreciation charge of £90,614 which is of course a non-cash item.

#### *The Charity's financial position as at 31 December 2025*

The financial position of the Charity at 31 December 2025 and comparatives for the prior period, as more fully detailed in the accounts, can be summarised as follows:-

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Net (expenditure)/ income</b>	(169,807)	8,314
Unrestricted Revenue Funds available for the general purposes of the Charity	5,499,152	5,673,508
Restricted Revenue Funds	148,002	143,453
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>5,647,154</b>	<b>5,816,961</b>

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#### ***Financial review of the position at the reporting date, 31 December 2025***

The deficit for the year on the unrestricted funds before revaluations was £150,356. The combined net movement in funds was a deficit before revaluations of £145,807. The Congregation remains reliant on unrestricted income from annual subscriptions, which amounted to £230,815 and donations, legacies and grants which total £109,194.

#### ***Policies on reserves***

The Congregation aims to hold reserves sufficient to ensure that it is a going concern. Specifically, the Council aims to maintain cash reserves in unrestricted funds at a level which equates to at least three months of unrestricted expenditure that is one quarter of £547,834 which is £136,959. At the 31 December 2025, the Congregation held £26,105 in unrestricted cash reserves.

#### ***Availability and adequacy of assets of each of the funds***

The Trustees are satisfied that the Charity's assets in each fund are available and adequate to fulfil its obligations in respect of each fund.

#### ***Investment policy and investment objectives***

The Trustees may invest the funds in any manner in accordance with the prevailing law in connection with the investment of trust funds. The Council, so enabled by the Trustees, makes all significant investment decisions. All significant cash spend decisions are made by the Council or by the Congregation as required by the Ascarnot.

#### ***The major risks to which the Charity is exposed and reviews and systems to mitigate them***

The Council and Trustees of the Congregation have considered the major risks to which the Congregation is exposed and, having reviewed those risks, established systems and procedures to manage them. Certain policies and procedures were published on the Congregation's website, namely: Safeguarding, Whistleblowing; and Complaints. Others are available for members and employees such as Health & Safety at Work; Cyber; and Data Protection.

Our Child Safeguarding Policies and Procedures was completed by Mrs Judith Amosi-Khodadad is Designated Adult and Child Safeguarding Trustee and Mrs Ilana Fries is Designated Child Safeguarding Lead.

The Trustees do not perceive that the Congregation is vulnerable to any major financial risks in view of its current financial position.

The Congregation has significantly upgraded its IT estate but next year should see an equally significant reduction in its cost. The central system is Microsoft® ("MS") 365 at charity rates, giving all Trustees, Council members and staff secure access to email and data via MS SharePoint. The system is secured with two-factor authorisation and is backed up. RakefetOnline and Constant Contact have now been replaced by ShulCloud for Mailshots and weekly newsletters as well as billing since October 2025. Members now have access to their own records and can correct personal details online. This not only reduces costs but reduces the number of different systems holding members' information thus making GDPR compliance much easier. Bills can be paid by debit or credit card via PayPal. This should have enabled the Congregation for the first time in many years to produce monthly quality Management Accounts on a timely basis with very limited (but still valuable) external support. However combining the office onsite work with bookkeeping has proved too much so the bookkeeping work has been split off going forward as it can now be done in the main remotely.

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All volunteers and employees have available an email address on the Shaare Hayim organisation. This also provides them with access to relevant sections of the SharePoint data repository. Some have been reluctant to make use of this when dealing with Congregational matters and the Trustees have pointed out the consequential risk of breaching Data Protection regulations that this raises.

#### **Plans For the Future**

#### **Summary of plans for the future and the Trustees' perspective of the future direction of the Charity**

##### Location

Notwithstanding any decision on the future permanent location of services, the Trustees (and Council) are committed to ensuring that there are services available to our members in the Didsbury area, provided that the congregation there remains viable. The frequency of the Minyan is now 2 days a week plus Shabbat and Yom Tovim. In view of the possible sale and the fact that the very large size of the building made it no longer suitable for the reduced number of worshippers, the Council closed Queenston Road Synagogue and relocated services to the adjoining Congregational Hall where they have been led by Rabbi Yair Fries since August 2023. At the end of 2025, Rabbi Amir Ellituv received an offer and accepted the position of Communal Rabbi and Av Bet Din based at Lauderdale Road. Rabbi Fries and Rabbanit Ilana moved to Hale becoming Rabbi and Rabbanit for the Congregation.

##### The South Manchester Community Cheder

Since its opening in September 2023, the Sunday Cheder has continued at the Wicker Lane Synagogue. The Cheder welcomes every child in the South Manchester community. The head of the Cheder is Mrs Sari Moscovits and the administrator is Trustee Judith Amosi-Khodadad. The cheder ran three classes where the children get basic education on Judaism, learning Hebrew reading using the Aleph Champ program. The children also learn about the Chagim, the Shabbat and the prayers. Each subject is taught in a clear appealing way, using visual learning, different activities and Arts and Crafts.

##### IT

The Congregation has moved its members data to the ShulCloud system which provides a website having a public and members-only section. The website gives general information about services and the facility for members to update their own personal data. It also provides a billing system, mailing system, events calendar, and booking service, completely replacing the three separate systems that were in use, namely RakefetOnline, Constant Contact and Ticket Tailor.

##### Youth

Thanks to Joey Elias, ably supported by Saadya Ellituv, who organised the weekly Wednesday night 'Chat over a Chinese' and continued the popular Table Tennis club before departing to Yeshiva last summer. Netanel Elias has taken up the reigns and has continued this successful group for the teenage boys. For the teenage girls, the 'Sushi and Shmooze' has also been very popular, too, with regular events.

#### **Achievements and performance**

Ben Whiteman and Shir Todd have co-chaired the Events Committee and have been instrumental in organising many wonderful community social events, galvanizing the younger members of the Congregation to participate in social activities and themed Shabbats, assisted by Aviya Joseph. Ylana Ingleby has taken responsibility for the teens' Friday Night Dinners. We have small but enthusiastic and capable group of members who have supported them, and it is hoped will form the nucleus of the leadership of the Congregation in years to come.

##### Security

Thanks to all those who have helped with security in both locations, in particular Ben Whiteman, Head of Security, and Danny Wolfson and Paddy Wagon (in Didsbury).

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### Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that year.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping sufficient accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



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Stephen Blank

06 May 2026

Date: .....

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

### TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE SHAARE HAYIM CONGREGATION

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#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Shaare Hayim Congregation (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 December 2025 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet, the statement of cash flows and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland* (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 December 2025 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements* section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

#### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

#### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the trustees' report; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

### TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE SHAARE HAYIM CONGREGATION

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#### **Responsibilities of trustees**

As explained more fully in the statement of trustees' responsibilities, the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### **Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

We have been appointed as auditor under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below.

We evaluated the Trustees' and management's incentives and opportunities for fraudulent manipulation of the financial statements (including the risk of override of controls) and determined that the principal risks were related to posting manual journal entries to manipulate financial performance, management bias through judgements and assumptions in significant accounting estimates and significant one-off or unusual transactions.

Our audit procedures were designed to respond to those identified risks, including non-compliance with laws and regulations (irregularities) and fraud that are material to the financial statements. Our audit procedures included but were not limited to:

- Discussing with the Trustees and management their policies and procedures regarding compliance with laws and regulations;
- Communicating identified laws and regulations throughout our engagement team and remaining alert to any indications of non-compliance throughout our audit; and
- Considering the risk of acts by the charity which were contrary to applicable laws and regulations, including fraud.

Our audit procedures in relation to fraud included but were not limited to:

- Making enquiries of the Trustees and management on whether they had knowledge of any actual, suspected or alleged fraud;
- Gaining an understanding of the internal controls established to mitigate risks related to fraud;
- Discussing amongst the engagement team the risks of fraud; and
- Addressing the risks of fraud through management override of controls by performing journal entry testing.

There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above and the primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of irregularities including fraud rests with management. As with any audit, there remained a risk of non-detection of irregularities, as these may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations or the override of internal controls.

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A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

#### Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

#### *Royce Peeling Green Limited*

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M3 7BG 07 May 2026  
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Royce Peeling Green Limited is eligible for appointment as auditor of the charity by virtue of its eligibility for appointment as auditor of a company under section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

# THE SHAARE HAYIM CONGREGATION

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total	Unrestricted funds as restated	Restricted funds as restated	Total as restated
		2025	2025	2025	2024	2024	2024
Notes		£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>							
Donations and legacies	4	340,009	105,805	445,814	325,024	54,483	379,507
Charitable activities	5	33,977	-	33,977	41,608	-	41,608
Other trading activities	6	-	-	-	-	39	39
Investments	7	18,144	453	18,597	18,147	646	18,793
Other income	8	5,348	-	5,348	1,850	-	1,850
<b>Total income</b>		<b>397,478</b>	<b>106,258</b>	<b>503,736</b>	<b>386,629</b>	<b>55,168</b>	<b>441,797</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>							
Charitable activities	9	547,834	101,709	649,543	398,025	34,850	432,875
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<b>547,834</b>	<b>101,709</b>	<b>649,543</b>	<b>398,025</b>	<b>34,850</b>	<b>432,875</b>
Net gains/(losses) on investments	15	(24,000)	-	(24,000)	(608)	-	(608)
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>(174,356)</b>	<b>4,549</b>	<b>(169,807)</b>	<b>(12,004)</b>	<b>20,318</b>	<b>8,314</b>
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	4,043	(4,043)	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	12	<b>(174,356)</b>	<b>4,549</b>	<b>(169,807)</b>	<b>(7,961)</b>	<b>16,275</b>	<b>8,314</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>							
Fund balances at 1 January 2025		5,673,508	143,453	5,816,961	5,681,469	127,178	5,808,647
<b>Fund balances at 31 December 2025</b>		<b>5,499,152</b>	<b>148,002</b>	<b>5,647,154</b>	<b>5,673,508</b>	<b>143,453</b>	<b>5,816,961</b>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.



# THE SHAARE HAYIM CONGREGATION

## BALANCE SHEET

**AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2025**

		2025		2024 as restated	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	17		5,966,764		6,059,041
Investment property	18		600,000		624,000
Investments	19		1,275		1,275
			<u>6,568,039</u>		<u>6,684,316</u>
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	20	34,449		31,015	
Cash at bank and in hand		138,581		190,657	
		<u>173,030</u>		<u>221,672</u>	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	22	(1,093,915)		(49,027)	
<b>Net current (liabilities)/assets</b>			<u>(920,885)</u>		<u>172,645</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			5,647,154		6,856,961
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year</b>	23		-	(1,040,000)	
<b>Net assets</b>			<u>5,647,154</u>		<u>5,816,961</u>
<b>The funds of the charity</b>					
Restricted income funds	25		148,002		143,453
Unrestricted funds	26		5,499,152		5,673,508
			<u>5,647,154</u>		<u>5,816,961</u>

06 May 2026

The financial statements were approved by the trustees on .....



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Stephen Blank

**Chair of the Trustees**



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Stephen Elias

**Treasurer**

# THE SHAARE HAYIM CONGREGATION

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

		2025		2024 as restated	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>					
Cash absorbed by operations	31		(71,142)		(15,994)
<b>Investing activities</b>					
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		-		(11,943)	
Proceeds from disposal of tangible fixed assets		469		-	
Proceeds from disposal of investments		-		36,543	
Investment income received		18,597		18,793	
<b>Net cash generated from investing activities</b>			19,066		43,393
<b>Net cash generated from financing activities</b>			-		-
<b>Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents</b>			(52,076)		27,399
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year			190,657		163,258
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of year</b>			138,581		190,657

# THE SHAARE HAYIM CONGREGATION

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

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### 1 Accounting policies

#### Charity information

The Shaare Hayim Congregation ('the charity') is an unincorporated charity registered in England. The principal address of the charity is 24 Wicker Lane, Hale Barns, Altrincham, Cheshire, WA15 0HQ.

#### 1.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Charities SORP "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)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following 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) issued in October 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include investment properties at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

#### 1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

#### 1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific restrictions as to how they may be used imposed by the donor or grantor or through the terms of an appeal. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

#### 1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Voluntary income is received by way of grants, donations and gifts and is included in full in the statement of financial activities on receipt. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Membership subscriptions are treated as donations and are accounted for on receipt.

Legacies are included when the charity is advised by the personal representative of an estate that payment will be made or property transferred and the amount involved can be quantified.

# THE SHAARE HAYIM CONGREGATION

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

Gifts donated for resale are included as incoming resources within activities for generating funds when they are sold.

Income from investments is recognised when it becomes receivable.

#### 1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Costs of raising funds comprise the costs associated with attracting voluntary income and the costs of trading for fundraising purposes.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be directly allocated to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

#### 1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Freehold land and buildings	2.5% straight line
Fixtures, fittings and office equipment	15 & 33% straight line
Computers	33% straight line

Freehold land is not depreciated.

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

#### 1.7 Investment property

Investment property, which is property held to earn rentals and/or for capital appreciation, is initially recognised at cost, which includes the purchase cost and any directly attributable expenditure. Subsequently it is measured at fair value at the reporting end date. The surplus or deficit on revaluation is recognised in profit or loss.

#### 1.8 Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at fair value at each reporting date. Changes in fair value are recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

#### 1.9 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

# THE SHAARE HAYIM CONGREGATION

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### 1.10 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

#### 1.11 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

##### **Basic financial assets**

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

##### **Basic financial liabilities**

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

##### **Derecognition of financial liabilities**

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

#### 1.12 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

#### 1.13 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

# THE SHAARE HAYIM CONGREGATION

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

### 2 Change in accounting policy

The charity has voluntarily changed its accounting policy in respect of membership subscriptions and other donation pledges so that this income is now recognised on receipt of cash rather than on invoice.

The trustees believe the new policy gives the reader of the financial statements a truer view of the charity's performance and financial position, as there are often significant delays in receiving the cash after sending a request for payment and there have historically been high levels of non-recovery. Restatements to the prior year have been made in respect of this change in accounting policy.

The impact of the restatement in the prior period is that the trade debtors balance as at 31 December 2024 is reduced by £97,644 to £3,199, income for the year ended 31 December 2024 is £6,867 higher, expenditure for the period is £8,247 higher and the surplus for the period correspondingly £1,380 lower and unrestricted funds brought forward at 1 January 2024 are £97,774 lower and restricted funds brought forward £1,510 higher than previously reported.

### 3 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Critical accounting estimates and assumptions:

- Valuation of investment properties

Further details are provided in the accounting policies and in the relevant notes to the accounts.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

### 4 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total	Unrestricted funds as restated	Restricted funds as restated	Total as restated
	2025 £	2025 £	2025 £	2024 £	2024 £	2024 £
Donations and gifts	58,787	105,805	164,592	49,605	54,483	104,088
Grants	50,407	-	50,407	41,652	-	41,652
Membership fees	230,815	-	230,815	233,767	-	233,767
	<u>340,009</u>	<u>105,805</u>	<u>445,814</u>	<u>325,024</u>	<u>54,483</u>	<u>379,507</u>
<b>Grants</b>						
Board of Elders	38,750	-	38,750	32,500	-	32,500
CST	11,657	-	11,657	9,152	-	9,152
	<u>50,407</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>50,407</u>	<u>41,652</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>41,652</u>

# THE SHAARE HAYIM CONGREGATION

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

### 5 Income from charitable activities

	2025 £	2024 as restated £
Wedding fees	3,286	2,950
Hire of hall	1,475	1,572
Kiddush income/ special events	18,562	16,954
Bar Mitzvah lessons	7,924	9,706
Contribution to Bnei Akiva expenditure	-	8,326
Stone cleaning	2,730	2,100
	<u>33,977</u>	<u>41,608</u>
<b>Analysis by fund</b>		
Unrestricted funds	<u>33,977</u>	<u>41,608</u>

### 6 Income from other trading activities

	Restricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2024 as restated £
Lydia Collins book income	-	39
	<u>-</u>	<u>39</u>

### 7 Income from investments

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
Rental income	18,000	-	18,000	17,580	-	17,580
Income from listed investments	144	-	144	346	-	346
Interest receivable	-	453	453	221	646	867
	<u>18,144</u>	<u>453</u>	<u>18,597</u>	<u>18,147</u>	<u>646</u>	<u>18,793</u>

# THE SHAARE HAYIM CONGREGATION

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

### 8 Other income

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 as restated £
Net gain on disposal of tangible fixed assets	469	-
Other income	4,879	1,850
	<u>5,348</u>	<u>1,850</u>

### 9 Expenditure on charitable activities

	2025 £	2024 as restated £
<b>Direct costs</b>		
Staff costs	154,076	129,822
Depreciation and impairment	92,277	3,312
Rabbi expenses	12,595	4,396
Special events	-	867
Kiddush and festival expenditure	32,023	20,570
Cheder costs	4,911	9,758
Stone cleaning	-	2,220
Bnei Akiva expenditure	4,650	4,621
Hall hire	-	100
Building fund expenses	54,383	6,831
Webber expenditure	-	882
Travel costs	757	-
Sundry expenditure	8,624	-
	<u>364,296</u>	<u>183,379</u>
Grant funding of activities (see note 10)	32,000	24,500
<b>Share of support and governance costs (see note 11)</b>		
Support	225,425	204,367
Governance	27,822	20,629
	<u>649,543</u>	<u>432,875</u>
<b>Analysis by fund</b>		
Unrestricted funds	547,834	398,025
Restricted funds	101,709	34,850
	<u>649,543</u>	<u>432,875</u>



# THE SHAARE HAYIM CONGREGATION

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

### 10 Grants payable

	Restricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2024 £
Grants to institutions:		
Ohr Meir & Bracha	3,500	6,000
Chai Cancer Care	3,500	3,000
Camp Simcha	5,000	4,000
Chabad Manchester University	6,250	2,250
HMD Llandudno	2,250	1,000
Kisharon Langdon	3,500	2,000
Jewish Blind & Disabled	3,500	2,000
L'Chaim Foodbank	-	1,500
The Fed	-	2,000
LF Foodbank	-	750
Friends of Herzog Hospital	4,500	-
	<u>32,000</u>	<u>24,500</u>

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### 11 Support costs allocated to activities

	2025 £	2024 £
Rates and water charges	8,534	16,351
Light, heat and power	59,817	54,517
Cleaning (including laundry)	11,681	10,909
Premises repairs, renewals and maintenance	50,220	23,745
Insurance	32,638	39,242
Security	26,807	21,701
Gardening	7,833	8,743
Telephone, fax and internet	5,635	5,567
Printing, postage and stationery	3,186	4,091
Software licences and expenses	12,048	6,363
Advertising and marketing	1,479	406
Health and safety	934	1,132
Sundry expenses	3,156	8,954
Levies	1,343	1,291
Bank charges	1,828	1,355
	<u>227,139</u>	<u>204,367</u>
<b>Analysed between:</b>		
Unrestricted funds	227,139	202,322
Restricted funds	-	2,045
	<u>227,139</u>	<u>204,367</u>

# THE SHAARE HAYIM CONGREGATION

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

### 11 Support costs allocated to activities (Continued)

	2025 £	2024 £
<b>Governance costs comprise:</b>		
Audit fees	8,820	8,000
Accountancy	12,860	282
Legal and professional	6,142	12,347
	<u>27,822</u>	<u>20,629</u>

### 12 Net movement in funds

	2025 £	2024 £
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The net movement in funds is stated after charging/(crediting):

Fees payable to the charity's auditor:		
- for the audit of the charity's financial statements	8,820	8,400
- for other financial services	1,260	1,200
Depreciation of owned tangible fixed assets	92,277	3,312
Profit on disposal of tangible fixed assets	(469)	-
	<u>92,888</u>	<u>12,912</u>

### 13 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration during the year, but 4 trustees were reimbursed a total of £4,402 for out-of-pocket expenses mainly relating to events (2024: 2 trustees were reimbursed £264).

### 14 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was: 6

	2025 Number	2024 Number
	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>

<b>Employment costs</b>	<b>2025 £</b>	<b>2024 £</b>
Wages and salaries	145,628	121,636
Social security costs	2,494	2,070
Other pension costs	5,954	6,116
	<u>154,076</u>	<u>129,822</u>

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

# THE SHAARE HAYIM CONGREGATION

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

### 15 Gains and losses on investments

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Gains/(losses) arising on:		
Sale of investments	-	(608)
Revaluation of investment properties	(24,000)	-
	<u>(24,000)</u>	<u>(608)</u>

### 16 Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

### 17 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold land and buildings £	Fixtures, fittings and office equipment £	Computers £	Total £
<b>Cost</b>				
At 1 January 2025	6,048,590	27,817	12,225	6,088,632
At 31 December 2025	6,048,590	27,817	12,225	6,088,632
<b>Depreciation and impairment</b>				
At 1 January 2025	-	19,120	10,471	29,591
Depreciation charged in the year	90,614	1,019	644	92,277
At 31 December 2025	90,614	20,139	11,115	121,868
<b>Carrying amount</b>				
At 31 December 2025	5,957,976	7,678	1,110	5,966,764
At 31 December 2024	6,048,590	8,697	1,754	6,059,041

Included within freehold land and buildings is £1,750,958 of land which is not depreciated and £673,066 of buildings with £Nil depreciation charge as the Trustees deem their residual value to be no less than cost.

### 18 Investment property

	2025 £
<b>Fair value</b>	
At 1 January 2025	624,000
Net gains or losses through fair value adjustments	(24,000)
At 31 December 2025	<u>600,000</u>

# THE SHAARE HAYIM CONGREGATION

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

### 18 Investment property (Continued)

The investment property has been valued at open market value by RICS accredited surveyors at CG&Co.

### 19 Fixed asset investments

**Listed  
investments  
£**

#### Cost or valuation

At 1 January 2025 & 31 December 2025 1,275

#### Carrying amount

At 31 December 2025 1,275

At 31 December 2024 1,275

### 20 Debtors

	2025 £	2024 £
<b>Amounts falling due within one year:</b>		
Trade debtors	3,646	3,199
Other debtors	350	1,850
Prepayments and accrued income	30,453	25,966
	<u>34,449</u>	<u>31,015</u>

### 21 Loans and overdrafts

	2025 £	2024 £
Other loans	<u>1,040,000</u>	<u>1,040,000</u>
Payable within one year	1,040,000	-
Payable after one year	<u>-</u>	<u>1,040,000</u>

The Congregation has the following concessionary loans;

Safra Foundation. The loan is interest free. The loan outstanding at 31 December 2025 is £400,000. At the reporting date, the loan was due to be repaid by 31 May 2026, but post year-end the term has been extended and the loan is now repayable on 31 May 2027, or earlier if the Congregation sells any or all of the land and buildings. If repayment is not made on time the loan converts to an investment and a profit not exceeding 5% shall accrue.

Wilbraham Road (Manchester) Trust Limited. The loan is interest free and secured against the land and buildings of the Congregation. The loan outstanding at 31 December 2025 is £640,000. At the reporting date, the loan was due to be repaid by 8 May 2026, but post year-end the term has been extended and the loan is now repayable on 31 May 2027, or earlier if the Congregation sells any or all of the land and buildings. This loan is secured by fixed charges over all of the Congregation's land and buildings.

# THE SHAARE HAYIM CONGREGATION

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

### 22 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Borrowings	1,040,000	-
Other taxation and social security	2,768	1,520
Trade creditors	29,894	16,191
Other creditors	2,772	3,196
Accruals and deferred income	18,481	28,120
	<u>1,093,915</u>	<u>49,027</u>

### 23 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Borrowings	-	1,040,000
	<u>-</u>	<u>1,040,000</u>

### 24 Retirement benefit schemes

	2025 £	2024 £
<b>Defined contribution schemes</b>		
Charge to profit or loss in respect of defined contribution schemes	5,954	6,116
	<u>5,954</u>	<u>6,116</u>

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund.

# THE SHAARE HAYIM CONGREGATION

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

#### 25 Restricted funds

The restricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used.

	At 1 January 2025	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	At 31 December 2025
	as restated				
	£	£	£	£	£
Yom Kippur Appeal	34,530	31,196	(32,000)	-	33,726
Shaare Rahamim Charitable Trust	20,961	-	(5,222)	-	15,739
Webber Fund	10,354	453	-	-	10,807
Hale Synagogue Building Fund	62,638	61,250	(54,383)	-	69,505
Pre Bar Mitzvah Haftorah	1,198	-	-	-	1,198
Esther Ellituv Prize Fund	3,250	-	(425)	-	2,825
Rabbi Car	10,500	1,500	-	-	12,000
Lydia Collins Book Fund	22	-	-	-	22
Other small funds (each less than £5,000)	-	11,859	(9,679)	-	2,180
	<u>143,453</u>	<u>106,258</u>	<u>(101,709)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>148,002</u>

Previous year:	At 1 January 2024	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	At 31 December 2024
	as restated	as restated	as restated		as restated
	£	£	£	£	£
Yom Kippur Appeal	31,625	27,130	(24,225)	-	34,530
Shaare Rahamim Charitable Trust	20,961	-	-	-	20,961
Webber Fund	10,590	646	(882)	-	10,354
Hale Synagogue Building Fund	54,054	15,415	(6,831)	-	62,638
Pre Bar Mitzvah Haftorah	1,198	-	-	-	1,198
Esther Ellituv Prize Fund	3,250	-	-	-	3,250
Rabbi Car	5,500	5,000	-	-	10,500
Lydia Collins Book Fund	-	22	-	-	22
Cooker Fund	-	3,655	(2,045)	(1,610)	-
Wedding Fund	-	482	(420)	(62)	-
Other	-	2,818	(447)	(2,371)	-
	<u>127,178</u>	<u>55,168</u>	<u>(34,850)</u>	<u>(4,043)</u>	<u>143,453</u>

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

### 25 Restricted funds

(Continued)

Restricted funds are specified for a particular use by the funder or by the terms of an appeal. Details of material restricted funds are listed below:

#### Yom Kippur Appeal

The monies collected at Yom Kippur which are held on trust for onward donation do not form part of the congregation's general fund.

#### Shaare Rahamim Charitable Trust

To make loans to poor or necessitous Jews, to make grants to poor or necessitous Jews on apprenticeship to any trade, profession or honourable vocation to enable them to qualify or on marriage or for such other purposes the Trustees think proper and for any other charitable purposes in such manner and on such terms as the Trustees in their absolute discretion think proper provided always that a preference is given to the members of the Shaare Hayim Congregation and their families.

At an EGM on 15th October 2023, the following Resolution was passed with regard to the Shaare Rahamim Charitable Trust ("SRCT"):

The Trustees unanimously propose that SRCT should remain a restricted fund but that Chair of Trustees, Vice Chair of Council and the Treasurer be empowered to transfer funds from SRCT to The Shaare Hayim Congregation in cases of non-payment from members due to distressed circumstances, at their unanimous discretion.

#### Webber Fund

In 1984 the Webber family made a donation of £5,000 to The Withington Congregation of Spanish and Portuguese Jews in memory of the late Mr. Alfred D. Webber. The sum was to be invested, and the income was to be used for the purchase of bar and bat mitzvah presentations. The term of endowment came to an end in January 2006 and a transfer from endowment funds to restricted funds was made to reflect this.

#### Hale Synagogue Building Fund

Donations and stained glass window dedications to be used for renovations and improvements to the synagogue in Hale.

#### Rabbi Car

Restricted donations for the provision of a car for the Rabbi.

### 26 Unrestricted funds

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used. These include designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

	At 1 January 2025	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	Gains and losses	At 31 December 2025
	as restated					
	£	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	5,673,508	397,478	(547,834)	-	(24,000)	5,499,152
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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

### 26 Unrestricted funds (Continued)

Previous year:	At 1 January 2024	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	Gains and losses	At 31 December 2024
	as restated	as restated	as restated			as restated
	£	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	5,681,469	386,629	(398,025)	4,043	(608)	5,673,508

### 27 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £
<b>At 31 December 2025:</b>			
Tangible assets	5,966,764	-	5,966,764
Investment properties	600,000	-	600,000
Investments	-	1,275	1,275
Bank	26,105	112,476	138,581
Other current assets/(liabilities)	(1,093,717)	34,251	(1,059,466)
	<u>5,499,152</u>	<u>148,002</u>	<u>5,647,154</u>
	Unrestricted funds 2024 as restated £	Restricted funds 2024 as restated £	Total 2024 as restated £
<b>At 31 December 2024:</b>			
Tangible assets	6,059,041	-	6,059,041
Investment properties	624,000	-	624,000
Investments	-	1,275	1,275
Bank	62,149	128,508	190,657
Other current assets/(liabilities)	(31,682)	13,670	(18,012)
Long term liabilities	(1,040,000)	-	(1,040,000)
	<u>5,673,508</u>	<u>143,453</u>	<u>5,816,961</u>

### 28 Reserves policy

The congregation aims to hold reserves sufficient to ensure that it is a going concern. Specifically, the congregation aims to maintain cash reserves in unrestricted funds at a level which equates to at least three months of expenditure.

### 29 Events after the reporting date

After the reporting date, the £400,000 loan from the Safra Foundation and the £640,000 loan from Wilbraham Road (Manchester) Trust Limited were both extended and are now repayable by 31 May 2027.



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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

#### 30 Related party transactions

Wilbraham Road (Manchester) Trust Limited (Charity number: 1094271)

The congregation has an outstanding loan balance at 31 December 2025 of £640,000 (2024: £640,000) owed to the Trust, a related party due to a Council member being a trustee. At the reporting date, the loan was repayable by 8 May 2026, however the term has been extended post year-end and is now repayable 31 May 2027 or earlier if the congregation sells any or all of its land and buildings.

The Board of Elders of the Manchester Congregations of Spanish and Portuguese Jews (Charity number: 500074)

During the period the congregation received a donation of £38,750 (2024: £32,500) for the General Fund from this charity which it is associated with through a common Trustee and whose Trustees are appointed by the Congregation jointly with The Manchester Congregation of Spanish and Portuguese Jews (Shaare Tefillah).

Higham Construction Limited (Company number: 03179347)

The congregation made purchases from the company of £1,278 (2024: £388) during the year, of which £141 (2024: £263) is outstanding at year-end. Purchases relate to recharges for expenses that the company has paid on behalf of the congregation. The company is a related party due to a council member being a director and shareholder.

31 Cash absorbed by operations	2025 £	2024 as restated £
(Deficit)/surplus for the year	(169,807)	8,314
<b>Adjustments for:</b>		
Investment income recognised in statement of financial activities	(18,597)	(18,793)
Gain on disposal of tangible fixed assets	(469)	-
(Gain)/loss on disposal of investments	-	608
Fair value gains and losses on investment properties	24,000	-
Depreciation and impairment of tangible fixed assets	92,277	3,312
<b>Movements in working capital:</b>		
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(3,434)	9,297
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	4,888	(18,732)
<b>Cash absorbed by operations</b>	<b>(71,142)</b>	<b>(15,994)</b>

#### 32 Analysis of changes in net (debt)/funds

	At 1 January 2025 £	Cash flows £	At 31 December 2025 £
Cash at bank and in hand	190,657	(52,076)	138,581
Loans falling due within one year	-	(1,040,000)	(1,040,000)
Loans falling due after more than one year	(1,040,000)	1,040,000	-
	<u>(849,343)</u>	<u>(52,076)</u>	<u>(901,419)</u>