

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

England & Wales · Charity number 1072981

Details

Other names WESSEX CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1998-12-16

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION BY THE PROCLAMATION AND FURTHERANCE OF THE GOSPEL OF GOD.

Activities: Wessex Christian Fellowship is, as it suggests, a Christian based fellowship offering a variety of church based community/social gatherings and derives its income exclusively from donations or grants for the furtherance of the Kingdom of God.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Other Finance, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Religious Activities, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** BASINGSTOKE
- Hampshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£81,693	£87,517	-	-
2024-12-31	£82,951	£78,070	-	-
2023-12-31	£84,985	£105,667	-	-
2022-12-31	£72,196	£77,353	-	-
2021-12-31	£72,149	£61,512	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
KEN GOLDING	Chair	2013-05-09
Barry Alan Darling		2018-12-30
Ebow Essel		2018-12-30
Robert Michael		2018-12-30
Samuel Agyemang KONADU		2024-06-14

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TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

Trustees Samuel Konadu, Treasurer
 Kenneth Golding, Chair
 Ebow Essel, Trustee
 Robert Prakash, Secretary
 Barry Alan Darling

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Principal office Wessex Close
 Basingstoke
 Hampshire
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Bankers

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

**TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of the WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP for the year 1 January 2025 to 31 December 2025.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Church membership.

Over the past year, church attendance has increased, and we have had new members and families join our worship services and have decided to take on membership in our church community.

Baptisms.

In 2025, our church family was blessed to witness the baptism of seven individuals who publicly declared their faith in Jesus Christ. It was a powerful and joyful time as each person took this step of obedience, sharing in the testimony of God's saving grace and new life found in Him. Baptism reminded us of the beauty of the Gospel—lives transformed, faith affirmed, and hearts committed to following Christ. As a church, we rejoiced together, prayed over those being baptized, and gave thanks for what God is doing among us. We celebrate these seven brothers and sisters in Christ and commit to walking alongside them as they continue their journey of faith. To God be the glory for all He has done and all He is yet to do.

Youth Work.

In the past year we have been hosting a regular weekly youth meeting, which is a time for the youth and young adults to come together and spend time with each other and to learn and develop themselves personally and spiritually. This year we partnered with Melrose Church to organize a retreat for the youth which took place over a 5-day period. This was a time where they engaged in team and character-building exercises and games and a time away from phones and technology for spiritual refreshment as well.

Trustee meetings.

Regular Trustee meetings have been held over the past year, and short-notice meetings have been held as well to address urgent issues that have arisen during the year.

Building Maintenance.

"During this past Financial Year, after a fire safety risk assessment, we've undertaken a substantial amount of work to bring the building to full compliance as required by law. A new sound desk booth had to be constructed and all the electrical cables for our sound and media kit had to be stripped out and put together again by a professional sound engineer to ensure that it meets the fire safety standards. We had to also replace old fire doors and fireproof some parts of the building to meet national fire safety standards. All of this and other miscellaneous work has been completed which resulted in us spending over £10,000.

Missions.

In the past year in, we supported a mini-town wide mission, it involved 2 churches, which hosted "Through Faith Missions" a Christian evangelistic agency. This was a weekend mission that happened in May of 2025, this mission enabled able to fulfill our key objective as a charity which is to advance the Christian faith and message of Jesus Christ the Lord.

- **ALPHA COURSE:** As a church we annually organize and host the ALPHA COURSE, a Christian course that happens over a period of 11 weeks. This is an opportunity for non-Christians to find out more about Jesus Christ and to engage in group discussions about the subject being dealt with on the day. The meeting happened on Wednesdays from October to December; we meet and have a hot meal and then watch a series of interactive videos that introduce people to the Christian faith, we had about 10-12 people subscribed on the course. At the end of the course we had a few of them commit to going to the next step to journey with Jesus Christ and the Christian faith.

We have also financially and prayerfully supported our local food bank here in Basingstoke, Christians against poverty, and Open Doors a U.K based Christian organization that helps and works with persecuted Christians around the world to aid them in tackling the poverty situation within the UK.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Community work.

The church continues to provide space for BESOM, a community group supplying essentials to vulnerable families and individuals. During the Christmas period we participated in the distribution of Christmas hampers to people in our local community

We have also continued to financially support our local food bank as part of the ongoing work we are engaged in within our local community.

Winter Night Shelter.

This year we have had the opportunity to use our church building to participate in the winter night shelter here in Basingstoke. This is an ecumenical initiative facilitated by the church which provides the space for homeless people to have a warm space to sleep for the night, this happens 7 nights a week and we host it in our church building 2 times in the week on Sunday and Monday nights. This initiative began in December 2025 and will be running until the end of February 2026.

Overseas mission.

As a local church, we have also been financially supporting some overseas missions. We have been supporting the star of Hope foundation an orphanage in Bulgaria, and the ongoing mission work going on in Lebanon, coordinated by the AOG UK's international mission coordinator Magdy Tawfik. Also, we have been supporting evangelistic efforts in Israel through the Christian organization One for Israel.

In setting objectives and planning for activities, the Trustees have given due consideration to general guidance published by the Charity Commission relating to public benefit, including the guidance 'Public benefit: running a charity (PB2)'.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Financial review

a. Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies.

Structure, governance and management

a. Constitution

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP is a registered charity, number 1072981, and is constituted under a Trust deed.

b. Methods of appointment or election of Trustees

The management of the Charity is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust deed.

c. Financial risk management

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Charity is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the Charity, and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

Members' liability

The Members of the Charity guarantee to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 to the assets of the Charity in the event of winding up.

**TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

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 & 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 its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Charity's transactions and 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.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees on 30 January 2026 and signed on their behalf by:

Kenneth Golding

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
(the Charity)**

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the Trustees of the Charity 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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Independent Examiner's Statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the Charity has prepared the accounts in accordance with 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) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

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.

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. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

Signed:

Dated: 30 January 2026



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WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
Income from:				
Charitable activities	2	81,693	81,693	82,951
Total income		<u>81,693</u>	<u>81,693</u>	<u>82,951</u>
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	3	87,517	87,517	78,070
Total expenditure		<u>87,517</u>	<u>87,517</u>	<u>78,070</u>
Net movement in funds before other recognised gains		(5,824)	(5,824)	4,881
Other recognised gains:				
Gains on revaluation of fixed assets		120,000	120,000	547,000
Net movement in funds		<u>114,176</u>	<u>114,176</u>	<u>551,881</u>
Reconciliation of funds:				
Total funds brought forward		1,619,216	1,619,216	1,067,335
Net movement in funds		114,176	114,176	551,881
Total funds carried forward		<u><u>1,733,392</u></u>	<u><u>1,733,392</u></u>	<u><u>1,619,216</u></u>

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 11 to 19 form part of these financial statements.

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**BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2025**

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	6	1,621,137	1,501,516
		<u>1,621,137</u>	<u>1,501,516</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	7	2,326	4,746
Cash at bank and in hand		109,929	112,954
		<u>112,255</u>	<u>117,700</u>
Net current assets		112,255	117,700
Total assets less current liabilities		1,733,392	1,619,216
Net assets excluding pension asset		1,733,392	1,619,216
Total net assets		1,733,392	1,619,216
Charity funds			
Restricted funds	8	-	-
Unrestricted funds	8	1,733,392	1,619,216
Total funds		1,733,392	1,619,216

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees on 30 January 2026 and signed on their behalf by:

Kenneth Golding

The notes on pages 11 to 19 form part of these financial statements.

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

1. Accounting policies

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements 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), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

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 the Charities SORP (FRS 102) published 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.

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

1.2 Income

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

1.3 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. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Charity's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

1.4 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets costing £1,000 or more are capitalised and recognised when future economic benefits are probable and the cost or value of the asset can be measured reliably.

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. All costs incurred to bring a tangible fixed asset into its intended working condition should be included in the measurement of cost.

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1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.4 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation (continued)

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, on a reducing balance basis.

Depreciation is provided on the following basis:

Freehold property	-	
Office equipment	-	25%

1.5 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

1.6 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

1.7 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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2. Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
General Offering and Gifts	68,101	68,101	68,223
Gift Aid tax reclaimed	11,365	11,365	12,632
Bank interest receivable	1,379	1,379	2,096
Other Income	848	848	0
	<u>81,693</u>	<u>81,693</u>	<u>82,951</u>

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3. Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Total	Total
	General	2025	2024
	£	£	£
Administration and Overheads	604	604	768
Depreciation	379	379	505
Independent examiner's fee	1,140	1,140	1,140
Legal and professional fees	1,130	1,130	1,551
Missions	12,585	12,585	13,004
Payroll costs	39,731	39,731	38,383
Premises cost and utilities	30,744	30,744	21,289
Software, website and licenses	1,163	1,163	1,238
Training	0	0	132
Bank charges	41	41	60
	<u>87,517</u>	<u>87,517</u>	<u>78,070</u>

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4. Independent examiner's remuneration

	2025 £	2024 £
Fees payable to the Charity's independent examiner for the independent examination of the Charity's annual accounts	<u>1,140</u>	<u>1,140</u>

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5. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the year, Pastor Ebow Essel has been paid remuneration from an employment with the Charity. This relates to work done and expenses incurred as Pastor of the church. The value of Trustees' remuneration and other benefits was as follows:

		2025 £	2024 £
Ebow Essel	Remuneration	36,170	35,009

6. Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold property £	Office equipment £	Total £
Cost or valuation			
At 1 January 2025	1,500,000	6,466	1,506,466
Revaluations	120,000	-	120,000
At 31 December 2025	1,620,000	6,466	1,626,466
Depreciation			
At 1 January 2025	-	4,950	4,950
Charge for the year	-	379	379
At 31 December 2025	-	5,329	5,329
Net book value			
At 31 December 2025	1,620,000	1,137	1,621,137
At 31 December 2024	1,500,000	1,516	1,501,516

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7. Debtors

	2025 £	2024 £
Due within one year		
Other debtors	2,326	4,746
	<u>2,326</u>	<u>4,746</u>
	<u>2,326</u>	<u>4,746</u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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8. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 January 2025 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2025 £
Unrestricted funds					
General Funds	<u>1,619,216</u>	<u>81,693</u>	<u>(87,517)</u>	<u>120,000</u>	<u>1,733,392</u>

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8. Statement of funds (continued)

Statement of funds - prior year

	<i>Balance at 1 January 2024 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Gains/ (Losses) £</i>	<i>Balance at 31 December 2024 £</i>
Unrestricted funds					
General Funds	1,067,335	82,951	(78,070)	547,000	1,619,216

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Church attendance:

Over the past year, Wessex Christian Fellowship has seen a wonderful increase in church attendance, with new individuals and families joining our worship services and becoming members of our community. Currently, approximately 98 people actively participate in the activities and life of the church, contributing to its growth and vibrancy.

Trustee meetings:

Regular Trustee meetings have been held throughout the past year, alongside short-notice meetings convened as needed to address urgent matters that arose during the year.

Building Maintenance:

During this financial year, the church has continued its remedial efforts to safeguard our premises. Unfortunately, we have encountered additional challenges, including resurfacing the baptismal pool, cleaning and repairing the roof, and addressing water damage by resurfacing the exterior wall—all due to the aging condition of the building. These necessary works have resulted in a significant financial outlay, and maintaining the building continues to be our greatest expense as new issues frequently arise.

Evangelistic (Local /National) Missions:

Over the past year, we've had the privilege of co-hosting "Through Faith Missions" alongside other local churches in Basingstoke. This initiative provided invaluable training and guidance on various ways to engage in a town-wide evangelistic campaign, all with the goal of advancing the Christian faith in our community.

"Through Faith Missions" is a Christian evangelistic agency dedicated to helping local churches reach out to their communities with the message of faith, using diverse and effective methods of communication. These efforts align closely with one of our primary charitable objectives.

As part of this collaboration, members of our spiritual community participated in evangelistic work within our immediate local parish. This week-long mission, held in September 2024, brought together four other churches, and through this campaign, we were able to engage nearly 300 people within our designated area of operation.

Following the mission week, we hosted an 11-week evangelistic program called the "Alpha Course." This initiative offered people the opportunity to explore the Christian faith in a welcoming environment. As a result, a number of individuals embraced faith, committing themselves as followers of Christ. These new members have since become regular attendees of our church.

Additionally, as a church community, we have continued to support the Christians against Poverty organisation, both financially and through prayer, to aid their critical work in addressing poverty across the UK.

Local Community work:

The church continues to provide space for BESOM, a dedicated community group that supplies essential items to vulnerable families and individuals. During the Christmas season, we were honored to take part in the distribution of Christmas hampers, spreading hope and joy to those in our local community during the festive period

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Additionally, we have been regular financial supporters of our local food bank this year. This initiative is part of our ongoing commitment to address the cost-of-living crisis and to support those in need within our community.

We are also proud to assist in the facilitation of a new food distribution hub, which recently opened in a local secondary school near Wessex. This partnership with the Basingstoke Community Food Bank has proven to be a meaningful way to extend support to even more families. The hub is doing outstanding work in distributing food across the town, and we are grateful to play a part in this vital effort.

Winter Night Shelter:

This year, we've had the privilege of using our church building to participate in the winter night shelter initiative here in Basingstoke. This ecumenical effort brings together churches across the area to provide a warm and safe space for homeless individuals to sleep during the coldest months of the year.

As part of this initiative, our church opens its doors twice a week, on Sunday and Monday nights, offering comfort and hospitality to those in need. The programme began in December 2024 and will run until the end of February 2025. It has been a blessing to be part of such a meaningful endeavour, demonstrating God's love in action and supporting some of the most vulnerable members of our community.

Overseas mission:

As a local church, we remain committed to supporting overseas missions, sharing God's love beyond our immediate community. Over the past year, we have financially supported the Star of Hope Foundation, an orphanage in Bulgaria, as well as an orphanage in Romania under the same organisation.

We have also contributed to the ongoing mission work in Lebanon, led by Magdy Tawfik, the International Mission Coordinator for AOG UK. Additionally, we have supported evangelistic efforts in Israel through the Christian organisation One for Israel.

In our efforts to stand with our brothers and sisters facing persecution worldwide, we have partnered with the UK charity Open Doors, providing much-needed support to persecuted Christians.

These partnerships reflect our heart for mission work and our desire to make a difference both locally and globally, embodying the Great Commission in practical and impactful ways

Working with the wider Church:

This year, we had the privilege of working alongside other churches in mission and community outreach. One highlight was hosting a meeting that brought together churches from across Basingstoke, alongside various community businesses and organisations. The purpose of this gathering was to collaborate on initiatives aimed at supporting the people of Basingstoke, focusing on critical areas such as housing needs, Food Banks, and general community support.

This collective effort exemplifies our shared commitment to demonstrating God's love in practical ways and making a meaningful difference in our town

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Youth Work

Over the past year, we have been hosting a regular weekly youth meeting, providing a dedicated time for our youth and young adults to come together, connect with one another, and develop both personally and spiritually.

These sessions have created a supportive environment where participants can grow in faith and confidence. Additionally, we have continued our partnership with Melrose Church to organise a retreat for the youth, which has been a valuable opportunity for reflection and community-building. We also arranged a trip to Thorpe Park, aimed at fostering teamwork, strengthening friendships, and building character among the group.

In setting objectives and planning these activities, the Trustees have given due consideration to the general guidance published by the Charity Commission relating to public benefit, ensuring our efforts align with these principles.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

a. Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies.

Structure, governance and management

a. Constitution

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP is a registered charity, number 1072981, and is constituted under a Trust deed.

b. Methods of appointment or election of Trustees

The management of the Charity is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust deed.

c. Financial risk management

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Charity is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the Charity, and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

Members' liability

The Members of the Charity guarantee to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 to the assets of the Charity in the event of winding up.

**TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

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 & 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 its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Charity's transactions and 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.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees on 31 January 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

Kenneth Golding

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
(the Charity)**

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the Trustees of the Charity 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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

Independent Examiner's Statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the Charity has prepared the accounts in accordance with 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) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

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.

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. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

Signed:

Dated: 31 January 2025



Kolade Andrew Alli ACMA

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WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

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

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Income from:				
Charitable activities	2	82,951	82,951	84,985
Total income		82,951	82,951	84,985
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	3	78,070	78,070	105,667
Total expenditure		78,070	78,070	105,667
Net movement in funds before other recognised gains		4,881	4,881	(20,682)
Other recognised gains:				
Gains on revaluation of fixed assets		547,000	547,000	-
Net movement in funds		551,881	551,881	(20,682)
Reconciliation of funds:				
Total funds brought forward		1,067,335	1,067,335	1,088,017
Net movement in funds		551,881	551,881	(20,682)
Total funds carried forward		1,619,216	1,619,216	1,067,335

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 11 to 19 form part of these financial statements.

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

**BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024**

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	6	1,501,516	955,021
		<u>1,501,516</u>	<u>955,021</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	7	4,746	4,347
Cash at bank and in hand		112,954	107,967
		<u>117,700</u>	<u>112,314</u>
Net current assets		117,700	112,314
Total assets less current liabilities		1,619,216	1,067,335
Net assets excluding pension asset		1,619,216	1,067,335
Total net assets		1,619,216	1,067,335
Charity funds			
Restricted funds	8	-	-
Unrestricted funds	8	1,619,216	1,067,335
Total funds		1,619,216	1,067,335

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees on 31 January 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

Kenneth Golding

The notes on pages 11 to 19 form part of these financial statements.

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

1. Accounting policies

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements 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), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

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 the Charities SORP (FRS 102) published 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.

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

1.2 Income

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

1.3 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. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Charity's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

1.4 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets costing £1,000 or more are capitalised and recognised when future economic benefits are probable and the cost or value of the asset can be measured reliably.

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. All costs incurred to bring a tangible fixed asset into its intended working condition should be included in the measurement of cost.

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

1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.4 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation (continued)

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, on a reducing balance basis.

Depreciation is provided on the following basis:

Freehold property	-	
Office equipment	-	25%

1.5 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

1.6 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

1.7 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

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

2. Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
General Offering and Gifts	68,223	68,223	65,897
Gift Aid tax reclaimed	12,632	12,632	12,171
Bank interest receivable	2,096	2,096	2,000
Church Hall Hire	0	0	250
Other Income	0	0	4,667
	<hr/> 82,951 <hr/>	<hr/> 82,951 <hr/>	<hr/> 84,985 <hr/>

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

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

3. Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Total	Total
	General	2024	2023
	£	£	£
Administration and Overheads	768	768	0
Depreciation	0	0	0
Independent examiner's fee	1,140	1,140	950
Legal and professional fees	1,551	1,551	796
Missions	13,004	13,004	14,264
Payroll costs	38,383	38,383	37,339
Premises cost and utilities	21,794	21,794	48,600
Software, website and licenses	1,238	1,238	1,120
Training	132	132	2,534
Bank charges	60	60	64
	<u>78,070</u>	<u>78,070</u>	<u>105,667</u>

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

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

4. Independent examiner's remuneration

	2024 £	2023 £
Fees payable to the Charity's independent examiner for the independent examination of the Charity's annual accounts	<u>1,140</u>	<u>1,140</u>

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

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

5. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the year, Pastor Ebow Essel has been paid remuneration from an employment with the Charity. This relates to work done and expenses incurred as Pastor of the church. The value of Trustees' remuneration and other benefits was as follows:

		2024 £	2023 £
Ebow Essel	Remuneration	35,009	34,524

6. Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold property £	Office equipment £	Total £
Cost or valuation			
At 1 January 2024	953,000	6,466	959,466
Revaluations	547,000	-	547,000
At 31 December 2024	1,500,000	6,466	1,506,466
Depreciation			
At 1 January 2024	-	4,445	4,445
Charge for the year	-	505	505
At 31 December 2024	-	4,950	4,950
Net book value			
At 31 December 2024	1,500,000	1,516	1,501,516
<i>At 31 December 2023</i>	<i>953,000</i>	<i>2,021</i>	<i>955,021</i>

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

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

7. Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Due within one year		
Other debtors	4,746	4,347
	<u>4,746</u>	<u>4,347</u>

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

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

8. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 January 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2024 £
Unrestricted funds					
General Funds	<u>1,067,335</u>	<u>82,951</u>	<u>(78,070)</u>	<u>547,000</u>	<u>1,619,216</u>

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

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

8. Statement of funds (continued)

Statement of funds - prior year

	<i>Balance at 1 January 2023 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Balance at 31 December 2023 £</i>
Unrestricted funds				
General Funds	<u>1,088,017</u>	<u>84,985</u>	<u>(105,667)</u>	<u>1,067,335</u>

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

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WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

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TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

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WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

Trustees Barry Alan Darling, Treasurer
 Kenneth Golding, Chair
 Ebow Essel, Trustee
 Robert Michael, Secretary

**Charity registered
number** 1072981

Principal office Wessex Close
 Basingstoke
 Hampshire
 England
 RG21 3NP

Bankers HSBC Bank Plc

 Kingdom Bank

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

**TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of the WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP for the year 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

Church attendance

Over the past year, church attendance has increased, and we have had new Individuals and families join our worship services and decided to take on membership within our church community. There are approximately 98 people who participate in the activities and life of the church.

Trustee meetings

Regular Trustee meetings have been held over the past year, and short-notice meetings have been held as well to address the necessary issues that have arisen during the year.

Building Maintenance

"During this past Financial Year, the church has experienced a number of issues where remedial action to safeguard our premises has been needed, including replacement of the church cooker range and associated equipment and the refrigerator. Additionally, the heating and plumbing resources throughout our premises, largely as a result of the process of ageing, have been brought onto an efficient status of operating. Upgrading of toilet facilities and general building maintenance has recognized the need for updates, all resulting in a substantial outlay for the church."

Evangelistic Missions

In the past year, we co-hosted "Through Faith Missions" with 3 other churches a Christian evangelistic agency to help us engage in a town-wide evangelistic campaign with a focus on advancing the Christian faith. This work fulfills one of our main charitable objectives. As a spiritual community a few people have participated in our own evangelistic work within our immediate local parish. We also hosted an 11-week evangelistic program called the Alpha course where about 13 people subscribed and regularly attended. As a result of this a few people converted to become follows of Christ and to practice the Christian faith.

Baptisms:

As a church one of the ways, we serve our local ecumenical community, who do not have a permanent location, is to make available our facility for them to use as needed when it's not being in use. As a result, this year we have hosted 3 Baptism sessions for 2 different churches.

Local Community work:

The church continues to provide space for BESOM, a community group supplying essentials to vulnerable families and individuals. We have helped in the distribution of Christmas hampers to people in our local community.

We also regularly financially supported our local food bank this year as part of the ongoing work we are engaged in within our local community, to help tackle the cost-of-living crises.

We have also been financially and prayerfully supporting the Christians against poverty organization to aid them in tackling the poverty situation within the UK.

We recently have been helping with the facilitating of a new food distribution hub which has opened in a local secondary school near us. This is in partnership with the Basingstoke community food link, a local organization that helps to distribute food with the town.

**TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

Overseas mission:

As a local church, we have also been financially supporting some overseas missions. We have been supporting the star of Hope foundation an orphanage in Bulgaria, and the ongoing mission work going on in Lebanon, coordinated by the AOG UK's international mission coordinator Magdy Tawfik. Also, we have been supporting evangelistic efforts in Israel through the Christian organization One for Israel. Another overseas mission work we have been supporting in the past year is star of Hope an orphanage in Romania. As a church we have also been supporting persecuted Christians around the world through the UK charity Open Doors.

Working with the wider church.

This year we have worked alongside other churches in mission, baptism, and community work. We hosted a lunch time for the Basingstoke one church leaders, and we have also hosted a one church prayer meeting. One church who do not have a building managed to conduct a funeral in our building.

Youth Work.

In the past year we have been hosting a regular weekly youth meeting, which is a time for the youth and young adults to come together have a spend time with each other and to learn and develop themselves personally and spiritually. This year we partnered with Melrose Church to organize a retreat for the youth which took place over a 5-day period. This was a time where they engaged in team and character-building exercises and games and a time away from phones and technology for spiritual refreshment as well.

In setting objectives and planning for activities, the Trustees have given due consideration to general guidance published by the Charity Commission relating to public benefit, including the guidance 'Public benefit: running a charity (PB2)'.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

Financial review

a. Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies.

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The management of the Charity is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust deed.

c. Financial risk management

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Charity is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the Charity, and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

Members' liability

The Members of the Charity guarantee to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 to the assets of the Charity in the event of winding up.

**TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

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 & 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 its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

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- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Charity's transactions and 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.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees on 3 February 2024 and signed on their behalf by:



Kenneth Golding

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
(the Charity)**

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the Trustees of the Charity 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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

Independent Examiner's Statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the Charity has prepared the accounts in accordance with 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) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

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
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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.

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. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

Signed:

Dated: 3 February 2024



Kolade Andrew Alli ACMA

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WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £	Total funds 2022 £
Income from:				
Charitable activities	2	84,985	84,985	72,196
Total income		<u>84,985</u>	<u>84,985</u>	<u>72,196</u>
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	3	105,667	105,667	77,353
Total expenditure		<u>105,667</u>	<u>105,667</u>	<u>77,353</u>
Net movement in funds		<u>(20,682)</u>	<u>(20,682)</u>	<u>(5,157)</u>
Reconciliation of funds:				
Total funds brought forward		1,088,017	1,088,017	1,093,174
Net movement in funds		(20,682)	(20,682)	(5,157)
Total funds carried forward		<u>1,067,335</u>	<u>1,067,335</u>	<u>1,088,017</u>

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 11 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

**BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023**

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	6	955,021	955,728
		<u>955,021</u>	<u>955,728</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	7	4,347	4,721
Cash at bank and in hand		107,967	127,568
		<u>112,314</u>	<u>132,289</u>
Net current assets		112,314	132,289
Total assets less current liabilities		1,067,335	1,088,017
Net assets excluding pension asset		1,067,335	1,088,017
Total net assets		1,067,335	1,088,017
Charity funds			
Restricted funds	8	-	-
Unrestricted funds	8	1,067,335	1,088,017
Total funds		1,067,335	1,088,017

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees on 03 February 2024 and signed on their behalf by:



Kenneth Golding

The notes on pages 11 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

1. Accounting policies

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements 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), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

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 the Charities SORP (FRS 102) published 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.

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

1.2 Income

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

1.3 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. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Charity's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

1.4 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets costing £1,000 or more are capitalised and recognised when future economic benefits are probable and the cost or value of the asset can be measured reliably.

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. All costs incurred to bring a tangible fixed asset into its intended working condition should be included in the measurement of cost.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.4 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation (continued)

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, on a reducing balance basis.

Depreciation is provided on the following basis:

Freehold property	-	
Office equipment	-	25%

1.5 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

1.6 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

1.7 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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2. Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Total	Total
	General	2023	2022
	£	£	£
General Offering and Gifts	65,897	65,897	61,540
Gift Aid tax reclaimed	12,171	12,171	10,656
Bank interest receivable	2,000	2,000	0
Church Hall Hire	250	250	0
Other Income	4,667	4,667	0
	<u>84,985</u>	<u>84,985</u>	<u>72,196</u>

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

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3. Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Total	Total
	General	2023	2022
	£	£	£
Administration and Overheads	0	0	1,984
Depreciation	0	0	909
Independent examiner's fee	950	950	950
Legal and professional fees	796	796	2,062
Missions	14,264	14,264	10,213
Payroll costs	37,339	37,339	47,150
Premises cost and utilities	48,600	48,600	9,722
Software, website and licenses	1,120	1,120	973
Training	2,534	2,534	3,390
Bank charges	64	64	0
	<u>105,667</u>	<u>105,667</u>	<u>77,353</u>

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4. Independent examiner's remuneration

	2023	2022
	£	£
Fees payable to the Charity's independent examiner for the independent examination of the Charity's annual accounts	<u>950</u>	<u>950</u>

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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5. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the year, Pastor Ebow Essel has been paid remuneration from an employment with the Charity. This relates to work done and expenses incurred as Pastor of the church. The value of Trustees' remuneration and other benefits was as follows:

		2023 £	2022 £
Ebow Essel	Remuneration	34,524	32,611

6. Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold property £	Office equipment £	Total £
Cost or valuation			
At 1 January 2023	953,000	6,466	959,466
At 31 December 2023	953,000	6,466	959,466
Depreciation			
At 1 January 2023	-	3,738	3,738
Charge for the year	-	707	707
At 31 December 2023	-	4,445	4,445
Net book value			
At 31 December 2023	953,000	2,021	955,021
At 31 December 2022	953,000	2,728	955,728

7. Debtors

	2023 £	2022 £
Due within one year		
Other debtors	4,347	4,721
	4,347	4,721

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

8. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 January 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance at 31 December 2023 £
Unrestricted funds				
General Funds	<u>1,088,017</u>	<u>84,985</u>	<u>(105,667)</u>	<u>1,067,335</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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8. Statement of funds (continued)

Statement of funds - prior year

	<i>Balance at 1 January 2022 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Balance at 31 December 2022 £</i>
Unrestricted funds				
General Funds	1,093,174	72,196	(77,353)	1,088,017

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

England & Wales - Charity number 1072981

Accounts

Charity number: 1072981

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

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TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

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WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

Trustees Barry Alan Darling, Treasurer
Kenneth Golding, Chair
Ebow Essel, Trustee
Robert Michael, Secretary

**Charity registered
number** 1072981

Principal office Wessex Close
Basingstoke
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Accountants Kolade Andrew Alli ACMA
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Bankers HSBC Bank Plc
Kingdom Bank

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of the WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP for the year 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2022.

a. Policies and objectives

In setting objectives and planning for activities, the Trustees have given due consideration to general guidance published by the Charity Commission relating to public benefit, including the guidance 'Public benefit: running a charity (PB2)'.

Achievements and performance

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

Achievements and performance (continued)

a. Main achievements of the Charity

Church attendance:

Over the past year, church attendance has increased, and we have had new members and families join our worship services and have decided to take on membership in our community.

Trustee meetings:

Regular Trustee meetings have been held over the past year, and short-notice meetings have been held as well to address the necessary issues that have arisen during the year.

Evangelistic Missions

In the past year, we've had the privilege to co-host together with other churches "Through Faith Missions" a Christian evangelistic agency to participate in a town-wide evangelistic campaign with a focus on advancing the Christian faith. The first one was a week-long mission that happened in the early part of the year, and we worked together with 4 other churches during this campaign. In the later part of the year, we only had a weekend reunion with the participating churches together with TFM our partner mission agency.

Baptisms:

We have conducted two baptisms this year of two people who are members of our church. As a local church, we also work in support of other churches by enabling them to utilize our building. This year we have hosted one other local church in using our indoor baptismal pool for baptizing some of their church members that needed baptism.

Community work:

The church continues to provide space for BESOM a community group supplying essentials to vulnerable families and individuals. We have helped in the distribution of Christmas hampers to people in our local community

We have been giving financially to support our local food bank this year as part of the ongoing work we are engaged in within our local community.

We have also been financially and prayerfully supporting the Christians against poverty organization to aid them in tackling the poverty situation within the UK.

Overseas mission:

As a local church, we have also been financially supporting some overseas missions. We have been supporting the star of Hope foundation an orphanage in Bulgaria, and the ongoing mission work going on in Lebanon, coordinated by the AOG UK's international mission coordinator Magdy Tawfik. Also, we have also been supporting evangelistic efforts in Israel through the Christian organization One for Israel.

**TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

a. Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies.

Structure, governance and management

a. Constitution

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP is a registered charity, number 1072981, and is constituted under a Trust deed.

b. Methods of appointment or election of Trustees

The management of the Charity is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust deed.

c. Financial risk management

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Charity is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the Charity and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

Members' liability

The Members of the Charity guarantee to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 to the assets of the Charity in the event of winding up.

**TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

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 & 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 its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Charity's transactions and 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.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees on 26 January 2023 and signed on their behalf by:


.....
Kenneth Golding (Chair of Trustees)
Trustee

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
(‘the Charity’)**

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the Trustees of the Charity 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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

Independent Examiner's Statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the Charity has prepared the accounts in accordance with 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) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

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.

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. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

Signed:

Dated: 26 January 2023

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kolade Andrew Alli', followed by a period.

Kolade Andrew Alli ACMA

10 Gatcombe Gardens

West End, Hampshire

SO18 3NA

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £	Total funds 2021 £
Income from:				
Charitable activities	3	72,196	72,196	72,149
Total income		72,196	72,196	72,149
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities	4	77,353	77,353	61,512
Total expenditure		77,353	77,353	61,512
Net (expenditure)/income		(5,157)	(5,157)	10,637
Transfers between funds	11	-	-	9,913
Net movement in funds		(5,157)	(5,157)	20,550
Reconciliation of funds:				
Total funds brought forward		1,093,174	1,093,174	1,072,624
Net movement in funds		(5,157)	(5,157)	20,550
Total funds carried forward		1,088,017	1,088,017	1,093,174

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.


The notes on pages 10 to 19 form part of these financial statements.

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

**BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022**

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	8	955,728	956,637
		955,728	956,637
Current assets			
Debtors	9	4,721	8,726
Cash at bank and in hand		127,568	127,811
		132,289	136,537
Net current assets		132,289	136,537
Total assets less current liabilities		1,088,017	1,093,174
Net assets excluding pension asset		1,088,017	1,093,174
Total net assets		1,088,017	1,093,174
Charity funds			
Restricted funds	11	-	-
Unrestricted funds	11	1,088,017	1,093,174
Total funds		1,088,017	1,093,174

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees on 26 January 2023 and signed on their behalf by:



 Kenneth Golding (Chair of Trustees)
 Trustee

The notes on pages 10 to 19 form part of these financial statements.

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

2. Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements 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), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

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 the Charities SORP (FRS 102) published 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.

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

2.2 Income

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

2.3 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. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Charity's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.4 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets costing £1,000 or more are capitalised and recognised when future economic benefits are probable and the cost or value of the asset can be measured reliably.

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. All costs incurred to bring a tangible fixed asset into its intended working condition should be included in the measurement of cost.

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, on a reducing balance basis.

Depreciation is provided on the following basis:

Freehold property	-
Office equipment	- 25%

2.5 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

2.6 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

2.7 Financial instruments

The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2.8 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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3. Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £	<i>Total funds 2021 £</i>
General Offering and Gifts	61,540	61,540	61,595
Gift Aid tax reclaimed	10,656	10,656	10,137
Bank interest receivable	-	-	257
Church Hall Hire	-	-	160
	<u>72,196</u>	<u>72,196</u>	<u>72,149</u>

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

4. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Summary by fund type

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £	<i>Total 2021 £</i>
Administration and Overheads	1,984	1,984	129
Independent examiner's fee	950	950	700
Legal and professional fees	2,062	2,062	1,972
Missions	10,213	10,213	13,078
Payroll costs	47,150	47,150	35,316
Premises cost and utilities	9,722	9,722	5,122
Software, website and licenses	973	973	1,790
Training	3,390	3,390	2,193
Depreciation	909	909	1,212
	<u>77,353</u>	<u>77,353</u>	<u>61,512</u>

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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6. Independent examiner's remuneration

	2022	2021
	£	£
Fees payable to the Charity's independent examiner for the independent examination of the Charity's annual accounts	<u>950</u>	<u>700</u>

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

7. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the year, Pastor Ebow Essel has been paid remuneration from an employment with the Charity. This relates to work done and expenses incurred as Pastor of the church. The value of Trustees' remuneration and other benefits was as follows:

		2022 £	2021 £
Ebow Essel	Remuneration	33,288	31,000

8. Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold property £	Office equipment £	Total £
Cost or valuation			
At 1 January 2022	953,000	6,466	959,466
At 31 December 2022	953,000	6,466	959,466
Depreciation			
At 1 January 2022	-	2,829	2,829
Charge for the year	-	909	909
At 31 December 2022	-	3,738	3,738
Net book value			
At 31 December 2022	953,000	2,728	955,728
At 31 December 2021	953,000	3,637	956,637

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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9. Debtors

	2022 £	2021 £
Due within one year		
Other debtors	4,721	8,726
	<u>4,721</u>	<u>8,726</u>

10. Financial instruments

	2022 £	2021 £
Financial assets		
Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure	<u>127,568</u>	<u>127,811</u>

Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure comprise....

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

11. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 January 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance at 31 December 2022 £
Unrestricted funds				
General Funds	640,174	72,196	(77,353)	635,017
Revaluation reserve	453,000	-	-	453,000
	<u>1,093,174</u>	<u>72,196</u>	<u>(77,353)</u>	<u>1,088,017</u>

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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11. Statement of funds (continued)

Statement of funds - prior year

	<i>Balance at 1 January 2021 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Transfers in/out £</i>	<i>Gains/ (Losses) £</i>	<i>Balance at 31 December 2021 £</i>
Unrestricted funds						
General Funds	<u>619,624</u>	<u>72,149</u>	<u>(61,512)</u>	<u>9,913</u>	<u>453,000</u>	<u>1,093,174</u>

12. Summary of funds

Summary of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 January 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance at 31 December 2022 £
General funds	<u>1,093,174</u>	<u>72,196</u>	<u>(77,353)</u>	<u>1,088,017</u>

Summary of funds - prior year

	<i>Balance at 1 January 2021 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Transfers in/out £</i>	<i>Gains/ (Losses) £</i>	<i>Balance at 31 December 2021 £</i>
General funds	<u>619,624</u>	<u>72,149</u>	<u>(61,512)</u>	<u>9,913</u>	<u>453,000</u>	<u>1,093,174</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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13. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current year

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £
Tangible fixed assets	955,728	955,728
Current assets	132,289	132,289
Total	<u>1,088,017</u>	<u>1,088,017</u>

Analysis of net assets between funds - prior year

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2021 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2021 £</i>
Tangible fixed assets	956,637	956,637
Current assets	136,537	136,537
Total	<u>1,093,174</u>	<u>1,093,174</u>

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

England & Wales - Charity number 1072981

Accounts

Charity registration number: 1072981

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

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Kenneth Golding (Chair of Trustees)

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England

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Charity Registration Number

1072981

Independent Examiner

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Trustees' Report

The trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Objectives and activities

Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Church attendance:

Over the past year church attendance in person has been gradually returning to pre-Covid levels and with new members, only a very small number of people are still using our online facility for services being broadcast.

Trustees Meetings:

Regular Trustee meetings have been held over the past year, and short notice meetings have been held as well to address necessary issues that arose during the year.

Evangelistic Missions

This year we've organized an Alpha course which had between 10 to 15 people attend. And out of that number, 4 of them made a personal decision to become followers of Jesus Christ and become part of our local church community.

As a local church community, we have engaged in three weeks of evangelistic campaigns during the year. The first two involved members from our community and one or two people from other churches. These first two missions were held daily from Monday through to Friday and involved various teams going out to connect and share the Christian faith with our local community. The final campaign which was held in the month of November involved our church hosting a Christian missions organization called Through faith Missions, with four other local church participation as well. The missions started on a Saturday and finished a week later on Sunday.

Baptisms:

After the completion of the Alpha course, held in our church, we organized a full immersion water baptism which 7 people participated in, held at the beach in the month of July.

Trustees' Report

Community work:

The church provides space for BESOM, a community group supplying essentials to vulnerable families and individuals. Our church community participated in the delivery of Christmas hampers within the Basingstoke town. Financial assistance has been given to the Basingstoke Food Bank in their outreach to the increasing number of local people in need of support.

Our church continues to provide a safe space for the Hungarian Community School. We have been giving financially to support our local food bank this year as part of the work we are doing in impacting our local community positively with the Love of God. We have also been financially and prayerfully supporting the Christians Against Poverty organization to aid them in tackling the poverty situation within the UK.

Overseas mission:

As a local church we have also been financially supporting monthly two overseas missions. The first being the Star of Hope foundation, an orphanage in Bulgaria. The second being ongoing mission work going in Lebanon, coordinated by an Assemblies of God UK International mission's coordinator Magdy Tawfik.

Pastor Ebow Essel
On behalf of the Trustees

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 21 January 2022 and signed on its behalf by:


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Kenneth Golding (Chair of Trustees)
Trustee

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

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

The law applicable to charities 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 period. 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 business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper 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 applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees 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.

Approved by the trustees of the charity on 21 January 2022 and signed on its behalf by:


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Kenneth Golding (Chair of Trustees)
Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021 which are set out on pages 6 to 14.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees of WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP 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 WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP'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 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 WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP 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 accounting 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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Kolade Andrew Alli ACMA

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21 January 2022

Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Income and Endowments from:				
Charitable activities		72,149	72,149	92,918
Expenditure on:				
Charitable activities		(61,512)	(61,512)	(76,040)
Total expenditure		(61,512)	(61,512)	(76,040)
Gains/losses on investment assets		453,000	453,000	-
Net income		463,637	463,637	16,878
Prior-period fund adjustments		9,913	9,913	-
Net movement in funds		473,550	473,550	16,878
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		619,624	619,624	602,746
Total funds carried forward	10	1,093,174	1,093,174	619,624

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

The funds breakdown for 2020 is shown in note 10.

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Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2021

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	6	956,637	504,849
Current assets			
Debtors	7	8,726	3,973
Cash at bank and in hand	8	127,811	113,932
		<u>136,537</u>	<u>117,905</u>
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	9	-	(3,130)
Net current assets		<u>136,537</u>	<u>114,775</u>
Net assets		<u>1,093,174</u>	<u>619,624</u>
Funds of the charity:			
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted funds		640,174	619,624
Revaluation reserve		453,000	-
		<u>1,093,174</u>	<u>619,624</u>
Total funds	10	<u>1,093,174</u>	<u>619,624</u>

The financial statements on pages 6 to 14 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 21 January 2022 and signed on their behalf by:



 Kenneth Golding (Chair of Trustees)
 Trustee

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

1 Accounting policies

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Basis of preparation

WESSEX CLOSE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Exemption from preparing a cash flow statement

The charity opted to early adopt Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016 and have therefore not included a cash flow statement in these financial statements.

Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Taxation

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £1,000 or more are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows: Furniture and Equipment - 25% on reducing balance

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

Trade debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of trade debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the charity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees's discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

2 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
General Offering and Gifts	60,515	60,515	65,517
Cash Collections	1,080	1,080	2,124
Special-appeal	-	-	4,500
Gift Aid tax reclaimed	10,137	10,137	12,916
Church Hall Hire	160	160	350
Toddler Group (Twinkling Stars)	-	-	203
Other Events Income	-	-	60
Insurance Claims	-	-	6,734
Bank interest receivable	257	257	514
	72,149	72,149	92,918

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

3 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Welfare Fund	-	-	420
Wages and salaries	23,526	23,526	22,775
Staff NIC (Employers)	6,483	6,483	6,121
Staff pensions	1,733	1,733	1,654
AoG Contribution	1,584	1,584	1,584
Gifts to various guest speakers and other missions	3,490	3,490	1,052
Missions	7,898	7,898	12,095
Pastor's expenses	869	869	3,905
Administration and Overheads	129	129	485
Events	106	106	-
Telephone	629	629	904
Website	360	360	701
Depreciation of office equipment	1,212	1,212	1,617
Training	2,193	2,193	-
Software and licenses	1,430	1,430	1,347
Youth and Children's work	-	-	220
Insurance	1,022	1,022	1,435
Repairs & maintenance	2,705	2,705	10,754
Utilities	4,493	4,493	8,271
Independent examiner's fee	700	700	700
Legal and professional fees	950	950	-
	<u>61,512</u>	<u>61,512</u>	<u>76,040</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

4 Trustees remuneration and expenses

During the year the charity made the following transactions with trustees:

Ebow Essel

Ebow Essel received remuneration of £31,000 (2020: £29,841) during the year.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

5 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

6 Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings £	Furniture and equipment £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 January 2021	500,000	6,466	506,466
Revaluations	453,000	-	453,000
At 31 December 2021	953,000	6,466	959,466
Depreciation			
At 1 January 2021	-	1,617	1,617
Charge for the year	-	1,212	1,212
At 31 December 2021	-	2,829	2,829
Net book value			
At 31 December 2021	953,000	3,637	956,637
At 31 December 2020	500,000	4,849	504,849

7 Debtors

	2021 £	2020 £
Other debtors	8,726	3,973

8 Cash and cash equivalents

	2021 £	2020 £
Cash at bank	127,811	113,932

9 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Other loans	-	3,130

**Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31
December 2021**

10 Funds

	Balance at 1 January 2021 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Prior period fund adj £	Other recognised gains/(los ses) £
Unrestricted funds					
General	619,624	72,149	(61,512)	9,913	453,000
					Balance at 31 December 2021 £
Unrestricted funds					
General					<u>1,093,174</u>
					Balance at 31 December 2020 £
Unrestricted funds					
General	602,746	92,918	(76,040)		619,624