

RUGBY YOUTH FOR CHRIST
TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025

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ACCOUNTS - YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2025

ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS:

Charity Registration Number: 1073315

Trustees:

George Thirkettle (Chairman)
David Clarke (Treasurer)
Louise Eardley (Vice Chair/Secretary)
Tony Shaw

Address for Correspondence:
41 - 43 Temple Street
Rugby, CV21, 3TB

Examiner: B J Gardner, CTA, ATT
23 Berrybanks,
Rugby
CV22,7JJ

Bankers: Barclays Bank plc
36 North Street, Rugby



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date
From Day 06 Month April Year 2024 To Day 05 Month April Year 2025

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

Rugby Youth for Christ

Other names charity is known by

Rugby YFC

Registered charity number (if any)

1073315

Charity's principal address

41 – 42 Temple Street

Rugby

Postcode

CV21,3TB

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	George Thirkettle	Chairman		
2	David Clarke	Treasurer		
3	Louise Eardley	Vice Chair/Secretary		
4	Tony Shaw			
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name

Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document

Constitution

How the charity is constituted

Operates as a Trust under the management of an Executive (Board of Trustees)

Trustee selection methods

Trustees are selected by the Executive according to their particular experience, expertise and empathy with the aims of the charity.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Rugby Youth for Christ is affiliated to the national Youth for Christ organisation by means of an annual chartering agreement.

Trustees must be Evangelical Christians and active church members with a passion to see the gospel of Christ introduced to the young people of Rugby.

The trustees meet on a monthly basis with the centre director and the agenda includes confirmation of any safeguarding or wider issues raised. This ensures that any areas of risk are identified and dealt with on a timely basis.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

Rugby Youth for Christ continues to serve the schools of Rugby, helping to communicate the truths of the Gospel in an active, exciting and non-judgemental way.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Rugby Youth for Christ works in the majority of the schools in Rugby in various capacities, dependent on the individual needs of each school. In some they offer assemblies and in some they offer a range of lessons based on the national curriculum and in some they provide additional activities to boost morale and participation.

Various out of school clubs and events are arranged for the young people of Rugby and include fun, games and worship.

The trustees all understand their legal duties regarding the guidelines on the public benefit and the activities run by the charity.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

High Schools

- During 2024-2025 the team hosted 3 youth leaders' breakfast to cultivate relationship with local youth leaders and support the youth work happening in local churches. Should this be a success we would look to increase their frequency in 2025/2026.
- September 2024 we digitally attended the National Day of Prayer.
- Rugby Youth for Christ's mentoring programme recommenced in early September 2024. Working with 3 of the larger high schools in the town. Our team worked consistently during the academic year to deliver one to one mentoring, banking over 1000 hours of mentoring. We continued with students that needed ongoing support from before the summer holidays. Cases referred from all three high school (Harris, AVS, RFS) continued to be complex and involving multi agency collaboration throughout the academic year.
- Our lessons and assemblies recommenced in early September 2024. There was an increase in lessons booked during this academic year than in pre-pandemic years.
- During 2024/2025 the team continued with the church tour at various point in the calendar, delivering church services to raise the charities profile and financial support.
- During 2024/2025 the team delivered youth session at churches including BEC, Elim, St Oswald's and New Life, to further build relationships with local churches and support their ongoing youth programmes.
- In October 2024, the team helped plan and deliver the Yelvertoft family day working with Yelvertoft Chapel. Delivering an assembly in the local village primary school to help with this.
- January 2025 Rugby Youth for Christ attended Advance, several town wide unity services to support and promote church relationships.
- February 2025 RYFC deliver the Street Pastors, youth culture training.
- During Spring 2024 we helped host the mental health and wellbeing days in Harris C of E Academy. We delivered sports activities, including 'The Cage' programme across the year groups to prompt good mental health and wellbeing.
- Team members attended the National Focus Day with British Youth for Christ, looking at the national strategy for the academic year.
- March 2025 RYFC host a town wide youth prayer evening, in partnership with Coventry Diocese. This was attended by church leaders and congregants from in and around Rugby and the surrounding villages.
- In March 2025 we worked with Aylesbury Youth for Christ to deliver sessions within the grammar streams at Ashlawn and in Lawrence Sheriff school
- In January 2025, the team attended our annual staff conference. During the conference each of the team received schools work and mentoring training. As well as opportunities for further personal/professional growth and development.
- Our Easter programme was delivered to over 4000 students over several schools.
- Harris CU continued to invite Rugby Youth for Christ to host a half termly CU in their lunch time slot.
- Spring 2025, we started to explore how Rugby Youth for Christ could support Harris C of E Academy in a chaplaincy capacity.
- Spring 2025, we began mentoring at Ashlawn.
- Rugby Youth for Christ were invited to host Rugby Free School's annual

summer school for the transitioning year 6 as they begin year 7. This was a great success, and we have been invited to return in Summer 2025.

- In June 2025, members of the team updated their Safeguarding Training.

Junior Schools

- Junior school's lessons and assemblies recommenced in September 2024.
- Wild Worship returned after its hiatus following the pandemic and pandemic recovery period. This helps local schools deliver collective worship in a creative and dynamic way in junior and primary schools.
- We are continuing to work with Change teams for SIAMS development within the schools.
- We were part of the team who planned and delivered the Bilton Junior School prayer week. This week included daily prayer slots for the students to participate in an interactive prayer space alongside learning the significance of prayer.
- We reestablished delivering assemblies in Cawston Grange Primary School.

Events

- Our annual staff conference was held in Birmingham and was attended by the team. Training was provided for school's work and mentoring as well as seminars and training around personal /professional growth and development. Each of the team who attended we extremely encouraged and found the time away very refreshing. As a centre the week was very beneficial.
- We hosted youth leaders' breakfasts throughout the academic year to help support and grow our working relationships with local youth leaders and support the local church.
- We were invited to participate in several local church services to raise the profile of Rugby Youth for Christ and continue to cultivate good working relationships with the local church, in connection with our school's work.
- We began delivering youth activities in local churches during their Sunday morning service, to both support local youth leaders and local churches as well has raise the profile of Rugby Youth for Christ.
- We were asked to deliver the Street pastor's Youth Culture module for their annual training.

Social Media

- Social media continues to play a huge role in how we deliver youth work and communicate with youth leaders and supporters of Rugby Youth for Christ. We will continue to develop this throughout the academic and calendar year.
- We are looking at how best we can use our social media platforms to support the young in the schools we are working with.
- We have worked hard to develop content across all our social media platforms.
- We have developed seasonal online content along with bespoke responses to current affairs that directly affect young people in Rugby.

Funding

- We continue to connect with churches and individuals to support our work and gain the funding for our team and the schools work we do.
- We managed to secure an opportunity for the school we deliver mentoring in to make a financial donation 6 times throughout the academic calendar.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Rugby Youth for Christ continues to carry reserves, which enable it to meet its obligations for several months in the event of any reduction in the levels of donations received. The trustees have calculated that the minimum level of reserves should not be less than £71,000 at present and therefore consider the level of reserves currently held to be adequate for the management of financial risk.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F

Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

G. THUEKETTLÉ

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

CHAIR

Date

19/1/2026

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of RUGBY YOUTH FOR CHRIST
(Charity no: 1073315)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 5 April 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report:

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act

or

the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

Signed:



Name: Bryan J Gardner, CTA, ATT

Address: 23 Berrybanks, Rugby, Coventry, CV22, 7JJ

Date: 14.1.2026

Rugby Youth for Christ

Income Statement Year ended 5 April 2025

Barclays Community Account b/f		£5,480.68	
Barclays Premium b/f		£117,459.20	
Barclays Reserve Account		<u>£3,239.98</u>	
		£126,179.86	
Income			
	Donations Gift Aided	£36,987.00	
	Donations - Organisations	£30,013.32	
	Donations Non GA	£20,193.95	
	Bank Interest	£1,657.04	
	L.P.B.	£1,200.00	
	Other Income	<u>£8,757.83</u>	
	TOTAL INCOME	<u>£98,809.14</u>	£224,989.00
Expenditure			
Staff	Salaries	£112,607.98	
	Lessons /Assemblies	£1,056.57	
	Director Expenses	£0.00	
	Staff Meetings/Training	<u>£2,393.94</u>	
Admin	Tythe to NYFC	£1,548.00	
	General Admin	£2,852.03	
	Media Expenses	£914.48	
	Sundries	£377.14	
	Bank Fees	£0.00	
	Travel Expenses	<u>£1,944.00</u>	
Offices	Office Rent	£2,400.00	
	General Expenses	£0.00	
	Equipment	<u>£148.59</u>	
		<u>£126,242.73</u>	<u>£126,242.73</u>
Income Less Expenditure		<u>-£27,433.59</u>	<u>£98,746.27</u>
Barclays Community Account		£3,964.34	
Barclays Premium		£91,493.87	
Barclays Reserve		<u>£3,288.06</u>	
			<u>£98,746.27</u>

APPROVED FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES:

Treasurer

Date:

19/1/2026