

Charity registration number 1083020 (England and Wales)

Company registration number 04009248

**BEXHILL COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
**KNOWN AS LIVING WORD CHURCH BEXHILL**  
**ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**



**Caladine**

Chartered Certified Accountants

**BEXHILL COMMUNITY CHURCH  
KNOWN AS LIVING WORD CHURCH BEXHILL  
LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

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<b>Trustees</b>	Mrs J Barrett Mr R Lamb Ms C Yates
<b>Charity number (England and Wales)</b>	1083020
<b>Company number</b>	04009248
<b>Principal address</b>	Hamilton Hall Eastwood Road Bexhill on Sea East Sussex TN39 3PS
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**BEXHILL COMMUNITY CHURCH  
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TRUSTEES REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

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The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the Church's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)".

**Objectives and activities**

The Church's objects are:

1. To advance the christian faith by such means as the church shall determine from time to time.
2. To relieve persons who are in conditions of need, hardship, or distress.
3. To educate and assist young persons through their leisure time activities so as to develop physical, mental and spiritual capacity.
4. To advance christian religious education and training and education in family life and relationships.

To embody these objects, the primary purpose of the church is to worship God and represent Jesus Christ and His word in the town through a strong representation of the Pentecostal Christian faith in the community.

The Church carries out a number of activities to fulfill its objectives. These include:

- (a) Different activities to encourage and develop membership of the Church e.g. a lively style of worship, continued pastoral support to church members, e.g. new membership evenings, meals together and the introduction of a specialist Bible teacher to engage the church members in a more meaningful way.
- (b) Interact with the local community, mainly through the children's Sunday Invaders Club, the quiz nights and trips to which members are free to invite family and friends
- (c) Special services with invited speakers within Assemblies of God organisation.
- (d) Continued representation at regional and national Assemblies of God events.

The Trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the Church should undertake.

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TRUSTEES REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)  
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**Achievements and performance**

The church continues to be a vibrant Pentecostal representation of the Christian faith in the community with its principal goal of worshipping God, fashioning a place and preparing our parishioners for spiritual growth and maturity while making Jesus Christ known and exemplifying his word in the community.

The church continues to maintain and develop a close relationship with Assemblies of God UK as one of its primary objective in bringing the very dynamic Pentecostal experience to the town.

**Community Interaction**

A church service takes place Sundays am and Wednesdays pm, also a program for kid and young people continues to inform and inspire the children. The church continues to maintain links with other local churches mainly through Churches Together in Bexhill.

Engaging with the wider community through weekly food clothes, bakery, toiletries, baby clothes, fruit & vegetables giveaways organized by the church to help the less fortunately in our community, a basket ball training program for young people, door to door interaction, street evangelism, leaflet drops, to forge friendship and to familiarize the wider public with the church, Movie Nights, social evening etc.

**Church Activities**

Different activities to improve membership of the church e.g. a modern lively style of worship, inspirational Bible teachings to inspire the church in a more meaningful way continued pastoral care and support to church members.

Special services with invited speakers, Christian calendar events services and celebration, continued representation at regional and national Assemblies of God events.

**Church membership**

The church attendance has fluctuated over the year. Our Sunday morning services and midweek Bible Studies are held in the church building though we still make the Sunday Services available via zoom as some people engaged through this platform. The church membership has held stable for the year with the exceptions of a few people leaving; overall, we gained a few more than we lost. This is a direct result of new people moving into the area and the church is more known in the community.

**Upkeep of Church Building facilities**

We continue to spend on the maintenance and preservation of the building ensuring that it remains comfortable, secure, and welcoming to all.

Interior and exterior walls paint refreshed. The premises kept clean and tidy, new interior and exterior display posters installed and maintained. Resurfacing of the paved area around the church is still in need of repair, it remains our intention to get it repaved, regrettably we were not able to get this done as we had intended but hope to do it as soon as the funds become available.

**Employed Staff**

Pastor Dale Barrett a full accredited minister with (AOG) Assemblies of God UK continues to lead the church on a salary.

Monies have been used to provide a measure of support and subsidy to enable and motivate church members and make material provision to promote and enable considered activities to take place.

- Accountancy and Payroll services, filing and registered office fees.
- Publicizing of church activities, website upkeep and printed materials.
- Salary for employed minister.
- Payments to visiting speakers for varied church activities.
- Sponsorship of child, money for Missionary work abroad and Ukraine Appeal
- Utilities – electricity, water, gas, phone, internet, zoom etc.
- Insurance and Copy Right charges
- Membership and subscription to Assemblies of God, CTIB, Evangelical Alliance, UK Umbrella Services etc.
- Materials and supplies for kids program, church office, and catering etc.
- Church fellowship meals /get together subsidies.

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**Financial review**

There was a surplus on unrestricted funds for the year of £2,489 (2024: surplus of £2,765) leaving unrestricted reserves of £131,908 (2024: £129,419) carried forward at the year ended 31 March 2025.

**Reserves policy**

It is the policy of the Church that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to between three and six month's expenditure of say £15,000. The trustees consider that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the Church's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised.

**Risk factors**

The Trustees has assessed the major risks to which the Church is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

**Structure, governance and management**

The Church is a company limited by guarantee, registration number 04009248 registered with the Charity Commission in England and Wales, registration number 1083020.

The Trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Mrs J Barrett

Mr K J Jones

(Resigned 2 April 2024)

Mr R Lamb

Ms C Yates

None of the Trustees have any beneficial interest in the company. Each member has a liability of £10 in the event of a winding up.

Additional trustees are appointed by the majority vote of the existing trustees. Suitable training is provided.

The day to day activities of the church are led by the Elders and pastoral staff. These report to the trustees who meet on a regular basis.

The Trustees report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



**Mr R Lamb**

Trustee

Dated: 18 October 2025

28<sup>th</sup>

**BEXHILL COMMUNITY CHURCH  
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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

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The Trustees, who are also the directors of Bexhill Community Church for the purpose of company law, 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).

Company law 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 Church and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that year.

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

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK 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 Church will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Church and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Church and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

**BEXHILL COMMUNITY CHURCH  
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT  
TO THE TRUSTEES OF BEXHILL COMMUNITY CHURCH**

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I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Bexhill Community Church (the Church) for the year ended 31 March 2025.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the Trustees of the Church (and also its directors for the purposes of company law), you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the Church are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the Church's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act 2011.

**Independent examiner's statement**

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

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the Church as required by section 386 of the Companies Act 2006.
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 other than any requirement that the financial statements give a true and fair view, which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- 4 the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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 financial statements to be reached.



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28 October 2025



**BEXHILL COMMUNITY CHURCH  
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

		Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
	Notes						
<b>Income from:</b>							
Donations and legacies	3	35,211	-	35,211	34,251	-	34,251
Investments	4	260	-	260	140	-	140
<b>Total income</b>		35,471	-	35,471	34,391	-	34,391
<b>Expenditure on:</b>							
Charitable activities	5	32,982	-	32,982	31,626	-	31,626
<b>Total expenditure</b>		32,982	-	32,982	31,626	-	31,626
<b>Net income and movement in funds</b>							
		2,489	-	2,489	2,765	-	2,765
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>							
Fund balances at 1 April 2024		129,419	178	129,597	126,654	178	126,832
<b>Fund balances at 31 March 2025</b>		131,908	178	132,086	129,419	178	129,597

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

**BEXHILL COMMUNITY CHURCH  
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

**AS AT 31 MARCH 2025**

	Notes	2025 £	£	2024 £	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Property, plant and equipment	10		90,170		90,551
<b>Current assets</b>					
Trade and other receivables	11	5,285		6,955	
Cash at bank and in hand		39,478		34,918	
		44,763		41,873	
<b>Current liabilities</b>	12	(2,847)		(2,827)	
<b>Net current assets</b>			41,916		39,046
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			132,086		129,597
<b>The funds of the Church</b>					
Restricted income funds	14		178		178
Unrestricted funds	15		131,908		129,419
			132,086		129,597

The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on <sup>28<sup>th</sup></sup> 18 October 2025



Mrs J Barrett  
Trustee



Mr R Lamb  
Trustee

Company registration number 04009248 (England and Wales)

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**1 Accounting policies**

**Company information**

Bexhill Community Church is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is Chantry House, 22 Upperton Road, Eastbourne, East Sussex, BN21 1BF.

**1.1 Accounting convention**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 and "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 Church is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The Church has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

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

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

**1.2 Going concern**

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

**1.3 Charitable funds**

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

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors or grantors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

**1.4 Income**

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

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the Church has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the Church has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

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**1 Accounting policies (Continued)**

**1.5 Expenditure**

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

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 are allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Expenditure is recognised in the period in which it is incurred and allocated to the particular cost centre to which it relates. Expenditure includes irrecoverable VAT.

**1.6 Property, Fixtures and Equipment**

Property, Fixtures and Equipment are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

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

As the building is maintained to a fair standard, it is considered the residual value is above the cost so the original building purchased is not depreciated. Improvements to the building are however depreciated at 10% on a straight line basis.

The depreciation rates are as follows:

Land and buildings	No depreciation
Building improvements	10% on a straight line basis
Fixtures, fittings and equipment	20% on a straight line basis

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

**1.7 Impairment of non-current assets**

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

**1.8 Cash and cash equivalents**

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

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**1 Accounting policies (Continued)**

**1.9 Financial instruments**

The Church has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

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

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

***Basic financial assets***

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

***Basic financial liabilities***

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

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

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

***Derecognition of financial liabilities***

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

**1.10 Taxation**

The income of the Church is used solely for charitable activities and the Trustees consider it not to be subject to corporation tax.

**1.11 Employee benefits**

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

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

**1.12 Retirement benefits**

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

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**2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements**

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

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

**3 Donations and legacies**

	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>
	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Donations and gifts	35,211	34,251
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
<b>Donations and gifts</b>		
Donations and gifts	30,499	27,751
Tax refunds	4,712	6,500
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
	35,211	34,251
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

**4 Income from investments**

	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>
	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Interest receivable	260	140
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**5 Expenditure on charitable activities**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Direct costs</b>		
Staff costs	21,630	21,630
Depreciation and impairment	169	169
Repairs and maintenance	1,671	213
Subscriptions and resources	231	371
Speakers and outreach	991	563
Audio, visual and IT	62	187
	<u>24,754</u>	<u>23,133</u>
Grant funding of activities (see note 6)	1,176	1,148
<b>Share of support and governance costs (see note 7)</b>		
Support	4,526	4,704
Governance	2,526	2,641
	<u>32,982</u>	<u>31,626</u>
<b>Analysis by fund</b>		
Unrestricted funds	<u>32,982</u>	<u>31,626</u>

**6 Grants payable**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Grants to institutions:		
Assemblies of God	840	840
Other	336	308
	<u>1,176</u>	<u>1,148</u>

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**7 Support costs allocated to activities**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Depreciation	212	213
Insurance	730	658
Utilities	2,080	2,778
Telephone and internet	888	704
Printing and stationery	126	34
Sundry expenses	294	317
Governance	2,722	2,641
	<u>7,052</u>	<u>7,345</u>
	<u><u>7,052</u></u>	<u><u>7,345</u></u>
	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Governance costs comprise:</b>		
Independent examination fees	600	489
Accountancy and payroll fees	2,122	2,152
	<u>2,722</u>	<u>2,641</u>
	<u><u>2,722</u></u>	<u><u>2,641</u></u>

**8 Trustees**

None of the Trustees received any remuneration or benefits from the Church during the year.

The total aggregate donations without conditions received from the Trustees and related parties during the year amounted to £4,140 (2024: £9,702).

Mr D Barrett, husband of the trustee Mrs J Barrett, continued in his role as Pastor and received a salary of £21,000 (2024: £21,000). The Church also made contributions into a defined contribution scheme during the year amounting to £630 (2024: £630).

**9 Employees**

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>Number</b>	<b>Number</b>
Pastor	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
	<u><u>1</u></u>	<u><u>1</u></u>
	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Employment costs</b>		
Wages and salaries	21,000	21,000
Other pension costs	630	630
	<u>21,630</u>	<u>21,630</u>
	<u><u>21,630</u></u>	<u><u>21,630</u></u>



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**9 Employees (Continued)**

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

**Remuneration of key management personnel**

The remuneration of key management personnel was as follows:

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Aggregate compensation	21,630	21,630

**10 Property, plant and equipment**

	<b>Land and buildings</b>	<b>improvements</b>	<b>Fixtures, fittings and equipment</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Cost</b>				
At 1 April 2024	90,000	2,125	21,394	113,519
At 31 March 2025	90,000	2,125	21,394	113,519
<b>Depreciation and impairment</b>				
At 1 April 2024	-	1,914	21,055	22,969
Depreciation charged in the year	-	211	169	380
At 31 March 2025	-	2,125	21,224	23,349
<b>Carrying amount</b>				
At 31 March 2025	90,000	-	170	90,170
At 31 March 2024	90,000	212	339	90,551

**11 Trade and other receivables**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Amounts falling due within one year:</b>		
Other receivables	4,711	6,416
Prepayments	574	539
	5,285	6,955

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**12 Current liabilities**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Other taxation and social security	663	722
Accruals and deferred income	2,184	2,105
	<u>2,847</u>	<u>2,827</u>

**13 Retirement benefit schemes**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Defined contribution schemes</b>		
Charge to profit or loss in respect of defined contribution schemes	630	630
	<u>630</u>	<u>630</u>

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

**14 Restricted funds**

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

	<b>At 1 April 2024 £</b>	<b>At 31 March 2025 £</b>
Ukraine	178	178
	<u>178</u>	<u>178</u>
<b>Previous year:</b>		
	<b>At 1 April 2023 £</b>	<b>At 31 March 2024 £</b>
Ukraine	178	178
	<u>178</u>	<u>178</u>

**Ukraine Fund**

The Ukraine Fund represents an appeal for monies to be passed on to the registered charity Assemblies of God and assist with their work supporting those affected by the war in Ukraine.

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**15 Unrestricted funds**

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

	<b>At 1 April 2024 £</b>	<b>Incoming resources £</b>	<b>Resources expended £</b>	<b>At 31 March 2025 £</b>
General funds	129,419	35,471	(32,982)	131,908
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<b>Previous year:</b>	<b>At 1 April 2023 £</b>	<b>Incoming resources £</b>	<b>Resources expended £</b>	<b>At 31 March 2024 £</b>
General funds	126,654	34,391	(31,626)	129,419
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**16 Analysis of net assets between funds**

	<b>Unrestricted funds 2025 £</b>	<b>Restricted funds 2025 £</b>	<b>Total 2025 £</b>
<b>At 31 March 2025:</b>			
Property, plant and equipment	90,170	-	90,170
Current assets/(liabilities)	41,738	178	41,916
	<u>131,908</u>	<u>178</u>	<u>132,086</u>
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
	<b>Unrestricted funds 2024 £</b>	<b>Restricted funds 2024 £</b>	<b>Total 2024 £</b>
<b>At 31 March 2024:</b>			
Property, plant and equipment	90,551	-	90,551
Current assets/(liabilities)	38,868	178	39,046
	<u>129,419</u>	<u>178</u>	<u>129,597</u>
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**17 Related party transactions**

Other than the salary paid to the Pastor (see note 8) there was a total of £62 (2024: £354) paid to trustees for reimbursement of zoom licenses and church supplies.