

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2024

## Bognor Vineyard

(A company limited by guarantee)

Charity registration number: 1084904

Company registration number: 4093580

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# **BOGNOR VINEYARD**

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## **BOGNOR VINEYARD**

### **REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

<b>Trustees</b>	Lisa Van Driel (appointed 15 March 2024) Gabrielle Sartin Patrick Wicker (resigned 23 February 2024) Johanna Coates (resigned 13 February 2025) Kevin Finniear Alan Coombs (resigned 2 November 2023) Annie Hamilton (appointed 1 September 2024) Lorna Earle (appointed 1 September 2024)
<b>Secretary</b>	Lorna Earle
<b>Charity Registration Number</b>	1084904
<b>Company Registration Number</b>	4093580
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# **BOGNOR VINEYARD**

## **TRUSTEES' REPORT**

The trustees, who are directors for the purposes of company law, present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charitable company for the year ended 31 October 2024.

### **Objectives and activities**

#### ***Purposes and aims***

The primary aims and purposes of Bognor Vineyard Church as contained in our Memorandum & Articles of association are to:

- Advance the Christian faith in accordance with our Statement Of Beliefs in Bognor Regis and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the World as the Trustees from time to time think fit and other such purposes which are exclusively charitable according to the law of England and Wales and are connected with the charitable work of Bognor Vineyard.
- Relieve persons who are in conditions of need and hardship or who are aged or sick and to relieve the distress caused thereby in Bognor Regis and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the World as the Trustees from time to time think fit.
- Advance education in accordance with the Christian principles in the said Bognor Regis area and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the trustees from time to time think fit.

Bognor Vineyard is committed to seeing people transformed by the love of God, becoming fully devoted followers of Jesus who are grounded in his truth and empowered by his Spirit for the sake of His kingdom.

This is primarily achieved through:

- Public Worship and Prayer.
- Christian Biblical teaching and sharing of our faith.
- Facilitating and strengthening closer friendships and community including links with other churches and services.
- Provision of Pastoral Care for those within the church and the local community.
- Missionary and outreach work.
- Creating a welcoming space in our registered premises to those who engage in our activities.

#### ***Main objectives***

Our main objectives continue to be the pastoral and spiritual care of those who attend Bognor Vineyard Church and its activities in line with our Christian Faith. When planning our activities for the year, 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.

### **Structure, governance and management**

#### ***Nature of governing document***

Bognor Vineyard is a charitable company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006 and was set up by a Memorandum of Association on 20/10/2000. The Charity is constituted under a Memorandum of Association dated 20/10/2020 and is a registered charity number 1084904.

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## **TRUSTEES' REPORT**

### ***Recruitment and appointment of trustees***

Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Memorandum and Articles of Association. The existing trustees are responsible for the recruitment of new trustees.

In selecting new trustees, we seek to identify people who have an understanding of the events and functions organised by the charity, are willing to volunteer to help in our broader community work and are committed to the purposes as set out in the objects contained in the company's memorandum of association. Potential trustees are invited to attend trustees' meetings as observers and are given more details of the charities aims in their activities and, if all agree, they are then proposed as new trustees at the subsequent trustees' meeting in accordance with the Memorandum and Articles of Association. This process allows due consideration of the person's eligibility, personal competence, specialist knowledge and skills.

We had three resignations from the Board during the year. One was Alan Coombs at the beginning of the year and the other was Patrick Wicker who also resigned as Senior Pastor in February 2024, lastly Johanna Reeves who resigned in February 2025. We would like to thank them for their dedication to Bognor Vineyard. We welcomed Lisa van Driel back to the board in March 2024. Annie Hamilton and Lorna Earle were also recruited in August of 2024.

### ***Induction and training of trustees***

Following appointment, new trustees are introduced to their new role and given copies of the trust deed and a guide to the policies and procedures adopted by our charity. A number of publications from the Charity Commission are also provided including the guidance on charities and public benefit and on the advancement of religion for the public benefit . This ensures that new trustees are aware of the scope of their responsibilities under the Charities Act. A full trustee training was received on 18th October 2024.

We had two new trustees appointed this year.

### ***Organisational structure***

The management of the charity and its governance is the responsibility of the trustees. The directors are trustees for the purposes of the Charity Commission. Bognor Vineyard is part of the national network of Vineyard Churches UK & Ireland (VCUKI) who provide oversight, training and support for Trustees and Senior Leadership. As a requirement of VCUKI, the Senior Pastor sits on the Board of Trustees. Due to the resignation of the Senior Pastor and the current period of recruitment, there is not currently a Senior Pastor on the Board of Trustees.

The Church normally functions with a leadership team who share Spiritual oversight with the Senior Pastors of our various ministries and activities. Day to day decisions on expenditure and activities are decided by the staff in charge of different areas of the church in line with our financial policies. However, as the Church is trying to recruit a Senior Pastor, there is an Interim Leadership Team who are working closely with the Trustees to keep the church running. They were chosen and appointed by the Trustees and the Area Pastors in February 2024. The Trustees and Interim Leadership Team give their time freely and receive no remuneration or other financial benefits for their role.

## **BOGNOR VINEYARD**

### **TRUSTEES' REPORT**

It is a requirement under the memorandum & Articles of Association that the trustees meet together as a body at least 3 times a year. The Trustees meet every 2 months, and they meet with the Interim Leadership Team every other month.

#### ***Arrangements for setting key management personnel remuneration***

The trustees consider the Senior Pastors of the church as their key management personnel. The Senior Pastor(s) pay is reviewed annually and normally increased in line with the Consumer Prices Index (CPI). Periodically their pay is also reviewed to be in line with similar positions in our national church network.

However, since February 2024, the Church has not had a Senior Pastor and the Interim Leadership Team have been acting together as the key management personnel.

#### ***Payments to trustees and their relatives***

There have been no payments to Trustees or their relatives since the resignation of P Wicker in February 2024.

#### ***Volunteers***

Bognor Vineyard continues to rely heavily on a 'volunteer workforce' to run our various church and community activities. The value of these volunteers is impossible to quantify and is impossible to reflect in these accounts and we are eternally grateful to each and every one of them.

#### ***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 our exposure to the major risks.

This rolling review considers policies in the following areas:

- Financial
- Staff and Volunteers
- Health & Safety, fire, first aid and risk assessment
- IT and data management
- Child and vulnerable adult protection
- Insurance for property and activities
- Property maintenance and utilities

The trustees are satisfied that systems are in place, or arrangements are in hand, to manage the risks that have been identified. In particular, insurance cover is in place and the finances of the church are kept under regular review. Appropriate Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks supported by regularly reviewed policies including safer recruitment and training , are made for all those who work with children or other vulnerable groups within the church and our charitable activities, including Youth of Bognor (YOB).

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In a church charity mainly dependent on regular donations from its members, the trustees are always mindful of the potential financial risk in a reduction of donations. We attempt to mitigate this risk by the creation of monthly management accounts to ensure that a surplus and liquidity are maintained where possible, and through regular communication with members.

#### **Achievements and performance**

##### ***Review of activities***

Attendance continues to be around 50-60 adults and children on a Sunday morning with midweek groups such as 'Sundaes on Tuesdays' (a youth group for 11-18 year olds) attracting 8 regular attendees; several midweek kinship groups for around 40 people; and a coffee morning at the Waterloo Square office. These midweek activities attract a significant number of attendees who do not regularly attend on a Sunday morning. Guest services such as Christmas, Valentine's Day and Easter Day normally attract much higher numbers with around 125 attending the Christmas Carol Service. The biggest challenges continue to be the pressures on our resources, both financial and human. A decrease in staff hours alongside a significant rise in building renovation costs, has made meeting all of our objectives a challenge. We have nevertheless succeeded in renovating the church offices and small meeting room and the two attached flats, which are now being rented thus providing an additional source of income for the church.

However, we have also continued to see God's faithfulness and provision and although our numbers are still low, we are seeing signs of growth and continue to be a group of people who love God and endeavour to demonstrate Jesus to those around us through the power and grace of the Holy Spirit.

##### ***Chichester Vineyard***

As reported in last year's report, Chichester Vineyard (a church plant from Bognor Vineyard) was formally closed in June 2022 following the resignations of the existing Senior Pastors and no applications being received for the position.

£2,400 has yet to be distributed. These funds will be donated to Pregnancy Options in Chichester (£1,000) and for the benefit of people in the Chichester area (£1,400) in the 2024-25 year.

##### ***Youth of Bognor (YOB) Camp***

YOB is a cross-church holiday venture that welcomes all children and young people from across Bognor Regis and surrounding areas. YOB is run by a core team with oversight from Bognor Vineyard. They hold their own bank accounts and all expenses are covered by themselves through fundraising, tickets and donations. In July 2024, due to the lack of funding, they made the Fundraiser redundant and the Director stopped taking a salary. The Director has taken on the fundraising duties and they have received approximately £2205 in grants so far since September 2024. The Camp is held in the Isle of Wight at Urban Saints Westbrook Centre. Approximately 47 YOBs (8-12), 2 Pre-YOBs (under 5), 5 Young Leaders (14-17) and 24 Adult Leaders (18+).

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They are anticipating another year of lack of funding due to the cost-of-living crisis. They have reduced their out-going spending as much as possible, as stated above, and will edit some of their camp activities to reduce cost. They are attempting to reach out and convince the wider churches in Bognor to support them financially and they are also exploring other avenues of community fundraising. They have a fundraiser's plan of action in place and are exploring a cheaper venue moving forward.

#### *Worship and prayer*

Bognor Vineyard continues to be keen to offer a range of services during the week and over the course of the year, that the community find both beneficial and spiritually fulfilling. For example, we offer Sunday morning worship, prayer meetings & walks, mid-week Small Groups, youth and children's groups.

Small Groups continue to be a crucial part of church life and are well attended with a large percentage of our church family meeting regularly during the week. We have recently had to increase the number we run. Small group leaders are voluntary and have regular training and opportunity to seek support, so they in turn are able to offer practical as well as spiritual support to those in their groups. Small groups are overseen by the Interim Leadership Team.

We continue to meet on Sunday mornings at Felpham Community College. We are again seeing more steady numbers on Sunday mornings with approximately 50 regular adults. Whilst the income from donations from our committed members of the church continues to be slightly lower than in previous years, we are expectant that this will start to increase again as numbers continue to rise.

#### *Ministries*

Our Ministry staff and volunteers have remained fairly consistent since all the changes from last year. However as we are beginning to see growth in attendance in our church and its activities, we remain dedicated to finding longer term solutions to support those involved.

**Youth, children and students** - There have been a lot of changes to our staff and volunteers with youth and kids. Having youth & children regularly attending Bognor Vineyard remains one of our highest priorities and we continually seek ways to increase volunteer participation in these ministries. Our Youth Leader of several years left in November 2022 and as an interim measure, our intern agreed to do a few paid hours until a more permanent solution was found. The intern then left in August 2024 and two volunteers continued to do a youth group on Tuesday evenings, averaging 8 young people weekly.

Due to a lack of volunteers and users on a Sunday morning, there are no separate groups for Youth and Kids work. Instead, there are toys and activities at the back of our church service, and a volunteer sets up and supervises them.

**Pastoral Care** - We continue to hold to the saying that 'faith without works is dead' and as such ensure that there is a practical outworking of what we believe the Bible teaches in helping those in need in our local and wider community, as demonstrated below. Bognor Vineyard Church sees its mission in the local community continue in supporting its more vulnerable members and will continue to build on this.



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*Support Fund* - This fund is to practically support those connected to Bognor Vineyard who are in financial need.

*Coffee support group and monthly lunch* - Our weekly Tuesday coffee and quiz morning has continued with the support of our amazing volunteers and continues to be attended regularly by a few adults who are lonely or struggling, with the aim to build friendships and laugh together over a cuppa and cake in a safe space. We continue to hold a monthly Tuesday lunch for vulnerable adults and those on their own which is regularly attended by approx. 15 adults.

*Agencies we support or participate with*

**Christians Against Poverty (CAP)** - In December 2022, CAP restarted in one of the local churches. Bognor Vineyard along with several other churches in Bognor agreed to financially support CAP with a monthly donation of £311.33.

**Arun Angels** – Arun Angels in Bognor and Littlehampton came under the umbrella of Bognor Vineyard in May 2024. They continue to have volunteers that support and care for people as they leave pubs in Bognor Regis and Littlehampton on a Saturday night. Arun Angels works closely with Bognor Police to help reduce levels of confrontation and provide protection for vulnerable people. No financial assistance was made by Bognor Vineyard this year but they are now a project under Bognor Vineyard and our church office continues to be used as a base.

**Bognor Churches Together** - Last year saw the recently re-established Bognor Churches Together grow in membership and participation. Several meetings have taken place and members of Bognor Vineyard play an active part. No financial support was given by Bognor Vineyard.

*Registered Premises*

Our registered premises at 5a Waterloo Square in central Bognor Regis includes two flats and a café. Significant building work and refurbishment was undertaken in order to rent out the two flats. Tenancy was given on July 2024 for both flats. The café continues to operate and are a year into their 3-year contract. Work continues on the rest of the building and it is now being used increasingly for church events.

The back of the downstairs area holds our office, and the front is used by coffee mornings and lunches. It also acts as storage for a lot of our church equipment as we do not have a permanent meeting space. Our aim is to be able to use the space to increase mission work or rent out the space as needed.

*Mission and Outreach*

As trustees we are considering which missions we can help financially in the coming year. The Trustees are awaiting the new Senior Pastor before committing to new mission work. The church has supported local families following requests for support from a local school; continues to support families in need by offering funded or partially funded place on YOB Camp; and has enabled the congregation to support a link school in Rwanda.

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### **Plans for future periods**

Decisions around recruitment and how we continue to fulfil our Objects continue to be mainly dependent on financial costs and appropriate candidates for the Senior Pastor. The Trustees will then consider appointing an administrator, Children/Youth Pastors, and other staff roles as appropriate and needed.

### **Financial review**

The trustees continue to be mindful of the economic situation and note the potential difficulties ahead with giving from the church members and the likely increase in demand of our services to the community. Despite this, the charity ended the year in a satisfactory financial position and in a reasonable position to develop its future activities.

Total income for the year amounted to £153,549 (2023: £157,076) and expenditure £155,201 (2023: £158,320).

Fund balances at the year-end are £450,454 made up of £430,509 unrestricted funds and £19,945 restricted funds. Unrestricted funds decreased by £3,730 and restricted funds increased by £2,078.

### **Investments**

We have the church's office premises at 5a Waterloo Square in central Bognor Regis, along with the Café next door and the 2 flats above. We have also operated a policy of keeping available funds within interest-bearing deposit accounts having regard to liquidity requirements.

### **Reserves policy**

'Free reserves' are those reserves free of any restriction that are available to meet the normal expenditure of the Church excluding that necessary to run the restricted activities. They provide a buffer of liquid funds to cover temporary shortfalls caused by an unforeseen decline in income or an unexpected increase in costs. Should any of these circumstances arise, these funds are intended to ensure that the charity can meet its contractual obligations to staff, premises and statutory bodies and its moral obligations to its donors.

The trustees seek to maintain a level of free reserves of three months unrestricted expenditure.

Free reserves are currently calculated by deducting the value of our freehold property, less the mortgage, from the unrestricted fund balance. As at 31 October 2024 free reserves were equal to four months of unrestricted expenditure. (As at 31 October 2023 the reserves equated to three months of unrestricted expenditure). See financial report below.

In the absence of a Senior Pastor, we finished this year with yet further reductions to our salary costs and full-time equivalent hours (FTE 0.5). We finished the year employing a total of 2 part-time staff.

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Expenses of our pastoral care support in terms of flowers, small gifts, lunches and drinks remained similar to the previous year. We have felt this has been a crucial expense at a time where people's wellbeing and good mental health is at risk.

The majority of our church members give regularly and straight to our bank account. The Trustees continue to be informed regularly regarding the financial position by the bookkeeper.

Restricted reserves are kept to a minimum to ensure that funds are attributed in a timely way in accordance with the applicable restrictions. This applies to donations from individuals, fundraising, grants and legacies. These restricted reserves are reviewed each financial year.

The charity does not currently hold 'designated funds'.

No grants were received this year.

#### **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.

# **BOGNOR VINEYARD**

## **TRUSTEES' REPORT**

### **Statement of Responsibilities**

The trustees (who are also the directors of Bognor Vineyard for the purposes 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), including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland".

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and 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, comprising FRS 102 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 charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that can disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company 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 charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

### **Small companies provision statement**

This report has been prepared in accordance with the small companies regime under the Companies Act 2006.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 23 June 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

.....  
Gabrielle Sartin  
Trustee

.....  
Kevin Finniear  
Trustee

## **BOGNOR VINEYARD**

### **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF BOGNOR VINEYARD**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Bognor Vineyard for the year ended 31 October 2024.

#### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees of Bognor Vineyard (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

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

#### **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:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of Bognor Vineyard as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts 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 accounts 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 accounts to be reached.

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23 June 2025

# BOGNOR VINEYARD

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2024

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
<b>Income and Endowments from:</b>					
Donations and legacies	3	112,196	22,797	134,993	130,949
Charitable activities	4	-	6,835	6,835	17,335
Investment income	5	768	252	1,020	569
Other income	6	10,701	-	10,701	8,223
Total income		<u>123,665</u>	<u>29,884</u>	<u>153,549</u>	<u>157,076</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Charitable activities	7	<u>127,395</u>	<u>27,806</u>	<u>155,201</u>	<u>158,320</u>
Total expenditure		<u>127,395</u>	<u>27,806</u>	<u>155,201</u>	<u>158,320</u>
Net (expenditure)/income		<u>(3,730)</u>	<u>2,078</u>	<u>(1,652)</u>	<u>(1,244)</u>
Net movement in funds		(3,730)	2,078	(1,652)	(1,244)
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>					
Total funds brought forward		<u>434,239</u>	<u>17,867</u>	<u>452,106</u>	<u>453,350</u>
Total funds carried forward	16	<u>430,509</u>	<u>19,945</u>	<u>450,454</u>	<u>452,106</u>

The notes on pages 15 to 26 form an integral part of these financial statements.

**BOGNOR VINEYARD**  
**(REGISTRATION NUMBER: 4093580)**  
**BALANCE SHEET**  
**AS AT 31 OCTOBER 2024**

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	12	<u>398,074</u>	<u>398,765</u>
		<u>398,074</u>	<u>398,765</u>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	13	5,420	2,145
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>51,997</u>	<u>72,089</u>
		57,417	74,234
<b>Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year</b>	14	<u>(5,037)</u>	<u>(20,893)</u>
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>52,380</u>	<u>53,341</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>450,454</u>	<u>452,106</u>
<b>Funds of the charity:</b>			
<b>Restricted income funds</b>			
Restricted funds		19,945	17,867
<b>Unrestricted income funds</b>			
Unrestricted funds		<u>430,509</u>	<u>434,239</u>
<b>Total funds</b>	16	<u>450,454</u>	<u>452,106</u>

For the financial year ending 31 October 2024 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the charity to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476; and
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

The notes on pages 15 to 26 form an integral part of these financial statements.

**BOGNOR VINEYARD**  
**(REGISTRATION NUMBER: 4093580)**  
**BALANCE SHEET**  
**AS AT 31 OCTOBER 2024**

The financial statements on pages 12 to 26 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 23 June 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

.....  
Gabrielle Sartin  
Trustee

.....  
Kevin Finniear  
Trustee

The notes on pages 15 to 26 form an integral part of these financial statements.



# **BOGNOR VINEYARD**

## **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2024**

### **1 Charity status**

The charity is limited by guarantee, incorporated in England, and consequently does not have share capital. Each of the trustees is liable to contribute an amount not exceeding £10 towards the assets of the charity in the event of liquidation.

### **2 Accounting policies**

#### **Summary of significant accounting policies and key accounting estimates**

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

#### **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)) (issued in October 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102). They also comply with the Companies Act 2006 and Charities Act 2011.

#### **Basis of preparation**

Bognor Vineyard 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.

#### **Going concern**

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern nor any significant areas of uncertainty that affect the carrying value of assets held by the charity.

#### **Income and endowments**

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 the income receivable can be measured reliably.

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### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2024**

#### ***Donations and legacies***

Donations are recognised when the charity has been notified in writing of both the amount and settlement date. In the event that a donation is subject to conditions that require a level of performance by the charity before the charity is entitled to the funds, the income is deferred and not recognised until either those conditions are fully met, or the fulfilment of those conditions is wholly within the control of the charity and it is probable that these conditions will be fulfilled in the reporting period.

#### ***Gift aid***

Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

#### ***Interest receivable***

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the institution with whom the funds are deposited.

#### ***Expenditure***

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category.

#### ***Charitable activities***

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

#### ***Grant provisions***

Provisions for grants are made when the intention to make a grant has been communicated to the recipient but there is uncertainty about either the timing of the grant or the amount of grant payable.

#### ***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.

## **BOGNOR VINEYARD**

### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2024**

#### **Tangible fixed assets**

Individual fixed assets costing £500.00 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:

<b>Asset class</b>	<b>Depreciation method and rate</b>
Land and buildings	not provided
Furniture and equipment	25% on reducing balance

#### **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.

#### **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.

#### **Liabilities**

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the company anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

#### **Fund structure**

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

Restricted income funds are those donated for use in a particular area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose.

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#### **Pensions and other post retirement obligations**

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme which is a pension plan under which fixed contributions are paid into a pension fund and the charity has no legal or constructive obligation to pay further contributions even if the fund does not hold sufficient assets to pay all employees the benefits relating to employee service in the current and prior periods.

Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities when they are due. If contribution payments exceed the contribution due for service, the excess is recognised as a prepayment.

#### **Financial instruments**

The company 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.

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#### 3 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Donations and legacies;				
Donations	95,076	20,917	115,993	108,827
Gift aid reclaimed	17,120	-	17,120	22,122
Grants, including capital grants;				
Grants from other charities	-	1,880	1,880	-
	<u>112,196</u>	<u>22,797</u>	<u>134,993</u>	<u>130,949</u>

#### 4 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Events income	-	6,835	6,835	17,335

#### 5 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Interest receivable and similar income;				
Interest receivable on bank deposits	768	252	1,020	569

#### 6 Other income

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Rental income	10,701	-	10,701	8,223

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#### 7 Expenditure on charitable activities

	<b>Note</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds General £</b>	<b>Restricted funds £</b>	<b>Total 2024 £</b>	<b>Total 2023 £</b>
Premises - Waterloo Square		39,110	461	39,571	5,465
Church services costs		9,771	-	9,771	13,412
Events		331	147	478	(323)
Youth and children		1,267	-	1,267	2,106
Youth of Bognor		-	21,202	21,202	22,682
Compassion and refugee support		4,116	-	4,116	3,778
Administration costs		3,818	-	3,818	6,145
Insurance		2,838	-	2,838	2,870
Subscriptions		7,472	-	7,472	8,503
Training and conferences		538	-	538	1,221
Travel and subsistence		276	-	276	1,961
Professional fees		1,429	-	1,429	3,450
Bank/merchant charges		413	-	413	648
Mortgage interest		585	-	585	1,241
Office and admin support recharged		(1,200)	1,200	-	-
Independent examination		2,160	-	2,160	2,100
Depreciation		612	79	691	-
Grants	8	280	3,631	3,911	15,776
Staff costs	11	53,579	1,086	54,665	67,285
		<u>127,395</u>	<u>27,806</u>	<u>155,201</u>	<u>158,320</u>

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#### 8 Grant- making

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
<b>Analysis of grants</b>				
Grants to individuals	-	3,631	3,631	100
Grants to institutions	-	-	-	15,200
Small gifts	280	-	280	476
	<u>280</u>	<u>3,631</u>	<u>3,911</u>	<u>15,776</u>

#### 9 Trustees remuneration and expenses

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

##### **Patrick Wicker**

Patrick Wicker received remuneration of £12,617 (2023: £37,850) during the year.

These payments were made in respect of duties carried out for activities in furtherance of the churches objects. Remuneration was not paid in respect of the duties as a trustee.

Pension contributions amounting to £316 were paid in the current year (2023 - £948).

Payments are made in accordance with the Trust Deed.

The only other payments made to the trustees, or any person connected with them, consisted of reimbursements of expenditure incurred on behalf of the charity in furthering the charity's objects.

#### 10 Related party transactions

During the year the charity made the following related party transactions:

##### **Jodi Wicker**

(wife of Patrick Wicker, a trustee)

Jodi Wicker received remuneration amounting to £950 (2023: £1,525) in the current year.

##### **Oliver Finniear**

(son of Kevin Finniear, a trustee)

Oliver Finniear received remuneration amounting to £776 (2023: £Nil) in the current year.

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#### 11 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

	<b>2024</b> <b>£</b>	<b>2023</b> <b>£</b>
<b>Staff costs during the year were:</b>		
Wages and salaries	53,710	65,557
Social security costs	-	467
Pension costs	955	1,261
	<u>54,665</u>	<u>67,285</u>

The monthly average number of persons employed by the charity during the year expressed as full time equivalents was as follows:

	<b>2024</b> <b>No</b>	<b>2023</b> <b>No</b>
Charitable staff	2	2
Management and administration	1	1
	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>



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#### 12 Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings £	Furniture and equipment £	Total £
<b>Cost</b>			
At 1 November 2023	396,000	33,501	429,501
At 31 October 2024	396,000	33,501	429,501
<b>Depreciation</b>			
At 1 November 2023	-	30,736	30,736
Charge for the year	-	691	691
At 31 October 2024	-	31,427	31,427
<b>Net book value</b>			
At 31 October 2024	396,000	2,074	398,074
At 31 October 2023	396,000	2,765	398,765

An informal opinion of value of the freehold was obtained on 31st October 2019 by Steve Tickner, former trustee and partner at Henry Adams Estate Agents, and independent agent. The value was considered to be £396,000 which the trustees continue to agree is an appropriate valuation.

#### 13 Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Prepayments	419	358
Accrued income	5,001	1,787
	<u>5,420</u>	<u>2,145</u>

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

	2024 £	2023 £
Bank loans	-	14,026
Trade creditors	270	1,081
Other taxation and social security	207	1,040
Other creditors	-	246
Accruals	4,560	4,500
	<u>5,037</u>	<u>20,893</u>

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### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2024

#### 15 Pension and other schemes

##### Defined contribution pension scheme

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The pension cost charge for the year represents contributions payable by the charity to the scheme and amounted to £955 (2023 - £1,261).

#### 16 Funds

	Balance at 1 November 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Balance at 31 October 2024 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
<b>General</b>				
General Funds	434,239	123,665	(127,395)	430,509
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
New Building	461	-	(461)	-
Arun Angels	-	3,070	-	3,070
Youth of Bognor	10,767	26,814	(23,567)	14,014
Youth	147	-	(147)	-
Support	6,492	-	(3,631)	2,861
	<u>17,867</u>	<u>29,884</u>	<u>(27,806)</u>	<u>19,945</u>
<b>Total funds</b>	<u>452,106</u>	<u>153,549</u>	<u>(155,201)</u>	<u>450,454</u>

##### New Building

Donations to this fund are set aside for the future purchase of a church building.

##### Arun Angels

Funding received towards this activity to commence in 2025.

##### Youth Of Bognor

Donations to this fund are used to provide a week-long supervised holiday camp and other activities for young people in the Bognor area, including children from disadvantaged families.

##### Youth Fund

This was originally set up to provide funds for youth equipment. As this was no longer needed for its original purpose, the use was widened in Feb 2022 to fund more general youth expenses.

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#### **Chichester Vineyard**

Donations to this fund are used to establish a new church congregation in the Chichester area. As the activity was discontinued, the remaining funds were transferred to general funds with the permission of the donors.

#### **Support fund**

This was set up in April 2020 for donations to support people with specific needs during the Covid Pandemic. The use was widened in Feb 2022 to support anyone in, or has ties with Bognor Vineyard needing financial support.

#### **Refugee fund**

This fund is to support refugees in Ukraine.

	<b>Balance at 1 November 2022 £</b>	<b>Incoming resources £</b>	<b>Resources expended £</b>	<b>Transfers £</b>	<b>Balance at 31 October 2023 £</b>
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>					
<b>General</b>					
General Funds	389,253	128,789	(116,219)	32,416	434,239
<b>Restricted funds</b>					
New Building	461	-	-	-	461
Youth of Bognor	9,197	28,287	(26,717)	-	10,767
Youth	194	-	(47)	-	147
Chichester Vineyard	47,416	-	(15,000)	(32,416)	-
Support	6,592	-	(100)	-	6,492
Refugee fund	237	-	(237)	-	-
	<u>64,097</u>	<u>28,287</u>	<u>(42,101)</u>	<u>(32,416)</u>	<u>17,867</u>
<b>Total funds</b>	<u>453,350</u>	<u>157,076</u>	<u>(158,320)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>452,106</u>

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2024

### 17 Analysis of net assets between funds

	<b>Unrestricted funds General £</b>	<b>Restricted funds £</b>	<b>Total funds at 31 October 2024 £</b>
Tangible fixed assets	397,836	238	398,074
Current assets	37,710	19,707	57,417
Current liabilities	<u>(5,037)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(5,037)</u>
Total net assets	<u>430,509</u>	<u>19,945</u>	<u>450,454</u>

  

	<b>Unrestricted funds General £</b>	<b>Restricted funds £</b>	<b>Total funds at 31 October 2023 £</b>
Tangible fixed assets	398,527	238	398,765
Current assets	56,605	17,629	74,234
Current liabilities	<u>(20,893)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(20,893)</u>
Total net assets	<u>434,239</u>	<u>17,867</u>	<u>452,106</u>