



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1/4/24 Period start date To 31/3/25 Period end date

Charity name: BISHOPSWOOD CHAPEL TRUST

Charity registration number: 1008317

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION IN ANY PART OF THE WORLD + ADVANCE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION IN CHRISTIAN FAITH
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	A EVANGELICAL CHURCH HOLDING WORSHIP AND OTHER SERVICES ON A REGULAR BASIS. OCCASIONALL COFFEE MORNINGS OPEN AND WELCOMING TO EVERYONE
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	YES THEY HAVE

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	GRANTS MADE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE TRUSTEE'S
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	HELING THE NEED OF THE COMMUNITY AS WE ARE ABLE
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	ALL ACTIVITIES AND CARE RUN BY VOLUNTEERS
Other		OCCASIONALL REMUNERATION FOR VISITING SPEAKERS

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>WE HAVE PROVIDED WELCOMING CHRISTIAN BASED SERVICES OPEN TO EVERYONE</p> <p>GRANTS HAVE BEEN MADE IN SUPPORT OF CHARITIES THAT ARE RELEVANT</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	THE GENEROUS GIVING OF MEMBERS HAS ENABLED US TO MEET ALL EXPENSES
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	AS PER STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	TRUST DEED
How is the charity constituted? (e.g. unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	UNINCORPORATED
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	AS PER THE TRUST DEED

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	BISHOPSWOOD CHAPEL TRUST.
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1098317
Charity's principal address	1 CROSSHILL FARM BOCKLAND ST. MARY CHARD TA20 3QB.

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	THOMAS BROCK	CHAIRMAN		
2	DENNING			
3	EVAN ROBERTS			
4	CHRISTINE SUSSEX	TREASURER		
5	MATTHEW SPARKS			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
N/A		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
N/A		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

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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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

T. B. Denning.

Full name(s)

THOMAS BRUCE DENNING

Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

CHAIR

Date

24/11/2025

Independent Examiner's Certificate for the Bishopswood Chapel Accounts

Report to the trustees of:

Bishopswood Chapel Trust

On accounts for the year ended:

31 Mar 2025

Charity Number (if applicable):

1098317

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

**Respective
responsibilities of trustees and
examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent
examiner's statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent examiner's
statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me reasonable 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 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.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:



Date:

7 Sep 25

Name:

M J Powe

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body (if
any):**

MICB

Address:

Roche Lodge, Newtown
Beckland St Mary
Chard TA20 3TE

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Financial Statement for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

BANK RECONCILIATION

NatWest (General) Account

Cash Book balance b/fwd	11,499.60
Add: Reciepts	22,516.36
Add: Expired Cheques	250.00
Less: Payments	(26,486.76)
Cash Book balance c/fwd	<u>7,779.20</u>

Bank Statement at 31 Mar 2025	7,853.20
Add: Receipts not in the bank	
31-Mar-25 1251 Offering	26.00
	<u>26.00</u>

Less : Cheques not presented	
10-Feb-25 1808 DCYC Donation	100.00
	<u>(100.00)</u>
	<u>7,779.20</u>

Skipton Building Society

Clubs & Charities Annual Interest (997587843 > 928365821)

Opening balance 1 Apr 24	29,690.53
Add: Deposits	19,385.36
Add: Interest	1,149.40
Closing Balance at 31 Mar 25	<u>50,225.29</u>

1 yr Fixed Rate (997587856 > 928365837) - 17 Nov 2025

Opening balance 1 Apr 24	11,894.99
Add: Interest	618.54
Closing Balance at 31 Mar 25	<u>12,513.53</u>

1 yr Fixed Rate (997587789 > 929156686) - 11 Feb 2026

Opening balance 1 Apr 24	22,110.55
Add: Interest	884.42
Closing Balance at 31 Mar 25	<u>22,994.97</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statement for the Year Ended 31 December 2025

Restricted Funds

Designated Funds

The Francis Spiller legacy was to provide financial support for the resident minister/Christian worker at the Bishopswood Chapel. This gift came with the request that the Trustees of the Bishopswood Chapel Trust should designate these funds for the support of a future worker at the chapel. This is not a binding restriction on the use of the funds but a clear request that the funds should be earmarked for the support of a Christian worker at Bishopswood.

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted	Designated Francis Spiller	Total 2025
1. Interest Received				
Skipton (997587843) deposit	1,149	-	-	1,149
Skipton (997877789) matures 11 Feb 2026	884	-	-	884
Skipton (997877856) matures 17 Nov 2025	619	-	-	619
	<hr/> 2,652			<hr/> 2,652
2. Other Income				
Chq 1730 Bill Stevenson dated 3 Dec 23 expired	70	-	-	70
Chq 1737 Somerset Camps dated 15 Jan 24 expired	110	-	-	110
Chq 1741 R Willcoks dated 4 Feb 24 expired	70	-	-	70
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3. Other Payments				
CCL	97	-	-	97
Sundry Gifts	300	-	-	300
Premises Insurance	476	-	-	476
Repair & Maintenance	401	-	-	401
Sandi Potts Pastoral Expenses	1,365	-	-	1,365
Stationery etc	141	-	-	141
	<hr/> 2,780			<hr/> 2,780

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RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS

	Note	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Designated Francis Spiller £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Receipts						
Donations from Offerings		2,813	227	-	3,040	2,978
BHMT - share of rent received		-	-	-	-	3,435
Interest	1	2,652	-	-	2,652	1,989
Gift Aid		-	-	-	-	667
Nat West Compensation		-	-	-	-	150
Electricity Refund		-	-	-	-	15
Francis Spiller Legacy		-	-	14,322	14,322	-
Muriel Gibson Legacy		5,064	-	-	5,064	-
Other Donations		91	-	-	91	-
Other Income	2	250	-	-	250	-
Total Receipts		10,869	227	14,322	25,418	9,234
Payments						
Donations		1,074	227	-	1,301	965
S Potts Pastrol Fees	3	1,365	-	-	1,365	5,580
Gifts to Speakers		2,135	-	-	2,135	1,505
Repairs & Maintenance	3	401	-	-	401	104
Property Insurance	3	476	-	-	476	454
Electricity - Chapel		683	-	-	683	634
Water Rates - Chapel		129	-	-	129	126
CCL Licence	3	97	-	-	97	93
Stationery, Printing & Postage	3	141	-	-	141	195
Refreshments etc		73	-	-	-	26
Sundry	3	300	-	-	300	99
Legal Fees		-	-	-	-	608
Total Payments		6,874	227	-	7,101	10,389
Receipts less payments		3,995	-	14,322	18,317	(1,156)
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-	-
Surplus/(Deficit)		3,995	-	14,322	18,317	(1,156)
Funds last year end		75,196	-	-	75,196	76,352
Fund Balances this Year End		79,191	-	14,322	93,513	75,196

STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Designated	Total 2025	Total 2024
Cash Funds					
Natwest (General) account	7,853	-	-	7,853	11,500
Skipton (997587843)	35,904	-	14,322	50,226	29,691
Skipton (997877789)	22,995	-	-	22,995	22,111
Skipton (997877856)	12,514	-	-	12,514	11,895
Total Cash	79,265	-	14,322	93,587	75,196
Investment Assets					
	-	-	-	-	-
Total Assets	79,265	-	14,322	93,587	75,196

Charities & Clubs
maturity 11/2/26
maturity 17/11/25