

GRAPEVINE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Registered Charity No 1098723

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2025

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GRAPEVINE COMMUNITY CHURCH
LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

CHARITY NUMBER	1098723
START OF FINANCIAL YEAR	1st of July 2024
END OF FINANCIAL YEAR	30th of June 2025
TRUSTEES AT 30TH JUNE 2025	Alan Bentley Alice Allsworth Nichola Bentley Richard Waterman David Eastman

The existing trustees appoint any new trustees following the provisions laid out in the organisation's governing instrument.

LEGAL STATUS	Unincorporated Charity
GOVERNING INSTRUMENT	Declaration of Trust dated 19th May 2003
CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS	1 Glenfeadon Terrace Portreath Redruth Cornwall TR16 4JX
PRIMARY BANKERS	Lloyds TSB 27 Fore Street Redruth Cornwall TR15 2BJ
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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT
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New start, new love, new life

To love God. To love each other. To love others enough to tell what Jesus has done.

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Thank You

This is our thirtieth year of ministry in Illogan – truly something to celebrate. God has blessed us so much. Let's keep reaching out and sharing the good news message of Jesus to anyone we can through our words and actions. You are an amazing family - simply the salt of the earth. Thank you for your prayers, dedication, enthusiasm, and persistence year in and year out. Thank you for whatever ministry you are part of. Our mission remains to spread the good news of the gospel in whatever way we can. Keep pointing people to Jesus, the one who saves. Thank you for being such a marvellous faith family. *"How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity." Psalm 133:1*

Ade & Elaine Marks

Pastors

Reports – Activities, Outreach and Community Support

Vision

Our vision continues - to be a loving and encouraging, inclusive fellowship. We remain committed to reaching out to those who do not yet know Jesus by demonstrating our faith in the most positive ways we can, and by our actions. We are called to be witnesses for Jesus wherever and whenever we can.

Prayer

Grapevine encourages everyone to pray as part of their spiritual disciplines and to be part of prayer in the church. There are weekly prayer meetings, opportunities to join regular prayer events and to be part of our prayer chain. There has been significant growth in the desire to pray and seek God over the year, praying for specific needs and organising prayer days. This is so encouraging – what a blessing!

Sunday Clubs – The Shed & Creche

Grapevine runs Sunday clubs for toddlers, children and young adults every week. We have age-appropriate Bible teaching and activities related to a theme. These are supported by members of the congregation on a rota basis. All our children and young adults participate in our worship services.

Down the Line – Sunday Group

Down The Line is a Sunday morning group for older children and teenagers. Leaders work on rotation to assist with delivery. Subjects and issues that are relevant to the children's lives are chosen supported by biblical teaching.

Youth Group – Buddies 7-11s

This mid-week youth group session is set around a weekly Christian topic, followed by games and crafts. It is always energy filled and fun. Thanks to all the helpers who have led and participated in the activities.

GV Youth

GV Youth runs every Friday evening for children over eleven years of age during term times. Activities include crafts, games, discussions and cooking. This is supported regularly by some offsite fun events. We have a great rapport with the youngsters attending and try to encourage them to talk about the things going on in their lives.

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Little Lambs Toddler Group

Parents, grandparents and carers enjoy a peaceful atmosphere when they come to the group on Monday mornings. The children hear a simple Bible story, join in with praise songs and do a related craft activity. Up to thirty children enjoy a healthy snack while their carers have coffee or tea.

Pips Toddler Group

This continues to be a popular midweek activity for parents, carers and toddlers. A safe warm space for children to play and adults to relax. We serve snacks for the children and refreshments for the adults - everything is free. We always have free play, crafts and a singing session. Pips operates on a term-time basis.

Children's Holiday Club

Every year we run a Summer Holiday Club during August for five to eleven year olds. Once again this proved to be a fun packed week. A big Thank You to Mike Thorne for all his usual innovative props. The children joined in all the dramas, games, craft activities and songs. A Big Thank You to everyone who helped organise and run the programme. Thank you to Nic and Alan Bentley who administer and publicise the programme. So many people gave up their precious holiday time to support this event.

Bible Study Home groups

Four mid-week homegroups continue to explore relevant bible study topics and support our pastoral care. Participants say they really enjoy these. We use a range of study resources and authors for the sessions. One of the groups run by Chris and Mick Butcher, grew out of GV Youth members.

Vinecrafts

This is a friendly and thriving group which meets weekly. Participants bring along a wide variety of personal crafts to work on. It's a great venue to make new friends or just come for a chat. As usual we organised a successful Christmas Fayre which raised funds for local charities. The group also helped make the knitted angels which are distributed every Christmas.

Open Doors

The Friday Coffee/Tea morning has shown significant growth. We offer refreshments and activities, book swaps, quizzes and daily papers. There is no charge, but donations are welcome for Cancer Research. This is a warm welcoming space to all in the community. We continue to collaborate with Cornwall College offering work experience placements for special needs students.

Grapevine Cycle group

The cycle group is supported by a dedicated group of participants and run by Mike Thorne. Every Saturday we try and cycle to a different place. All the cyclists learn basic bike maintenance and carry spares with them. We spread the good news of Jesus whenever we can. We visit different venues on the way for refreshments. Everyone is welcome.

Joy Movement and worship group

Joy is a place where participants can join in dance or movement along to worship music on Saturday mornings by arrangement. Anyone is welcome. Thanks to Amber Barry and Kate Shaw who organise the sessions.

Social events

Grapevine is always looking for ways to develop fellowship and build community through social events. Our craft mornings (Christmas and Easter), picnics, treasure trails, music nights, pastoral team meals, walking, cycling and crafts all are ongoing. We continue to explore other ways to do more. Homegroup members also continue to support a number of informal lunch gatherings to promote unity and fellowship.

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Christmas and Easter Craft mornings

Our Christmas and Easter craft mornings were again very popular drawing in people from the local community. Thanks to all who provided their time, commitment and creativity to these annual outreach activities. Thanks to Julie Waterman who is the inspiration behind them.

Christmas cards and Christmas services

Christmas postcards and publicity leaflets were distributed as part of our seasonal outreach as usual. We offered a full range of services over the Christmas period for everyone, including Christmas day, which we love.

Reaching out

Grapevine supports as many programmes as we can to reach out to the local community. We work hard to develop materials to use as part of local evangelism. Much of our outreach work focuses on young people and children during the week through a range of groups and during the summer via the annual Holiday Club.

Grapevine Christmas Angels

A group of dedicated Church members knit up to 1000 angels each year and distribute them with an attached festive message at Christmas. This proves to be very popular and is appreciated by the local community. The angels are offered as a blessing to the person who finds them.

Gift bags

We continue to give out our gift bags to people in need. This includes new mums with babies who attend the toddler groups or are known to church members, or anyone who would benefit. Feedback from recipients is always positive. We encourage everyone to continue supplying treats such as sweets, chocolates and biscuits for the bags.

Pastoral teams

Grapevine has an established and growing pastoral team. Pastoral leaders provide continual support within the church. Leaders note that it is a truly positive experience getting to know more people on a personal basis and to pray for them. Members of Grapevine are encouraged to offer pastoral support to whoever needs it.

Hardship Fund

Grapevine continues to maintain and offer local support from a self-generated hardship fund. We will keep on distributing this to any worthy causes as long as we can. The hardship fund donations are changing lives. Donations are grants and not loans. We believe this fund has significantly impacted the lives of many people.

Teaching and Preaching

The preaching and teaching lead is taken by the pastors, with help from occasional speakers. Systematic preaching of a linked series of teaching talks forms the main basis of biblical teaching, primarily delivered on Sundays. Talks are recorded every week and can be accessed on our YouTube channel in the week.

Worship and music

We are always looking to encourage our musicians in worship, add more instruments, and practice to enhance the worship experience. Songs used in worship are reported regularly online to CCLI (Christian Copyright Licensing International) - we are a member of their Song Select resource.

Publicity / Newsletter / Noticeboard

News and events are announced on our Facebook pages and website. A weekly Newsletter is produced by Elaine Marks complemented by weekly PowerPoint notice presentations at Sunday services. Newsletters are issued every week and posted online on our Facebook page. The exterior noticeboard at the main entrance continues to be an excellent resource to publicise the work of the church. Additional internal noticeboards are used to inform church members of events and to provide team details.

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Reviews and reports

Some of our church activities are reported in the West Briton whenever possible by Sue Smith. Sue also contributes articles to the quarterly Illogan Review, publicising a range of our community focused activities in the local area.

Website

The website is a holding page site accommodating posts, events, and updates. Thanks to Alan Bentley for his work maintaining and updating the site. The website address is: grapevinecommunitychurch.org

Facebook pages

Grapevine Community Church has a general Facebook page where events are publicised and shared. We also have a closed group Grapevine News Facebook page and others with specific interest target groups - kids and youth, the annual Holiday Club, Toddler group and Grapevine Community Church Rocks plus Grapevine Community Church Angels.

Media presentation – Livestreaming and song projection

The church's public address and song projection system is used every week. This is backed by a Wi-Fi router which helps groups access the internet both in the main church and adjoining rooms. We livestream our worship services via Facebook and load them onto YouTube. Livestreaming helps us to reach more people including folks in Canada and Australia. Thanks to John Matthews, Alan Bentley, and Tim Smyth for heading this up along with Reuben Bentley and Isaac Bentley. The technical support team also uses a What's App group to keep in touch.

Health and Safety, Buildings and Maintenance

We have a dedicated DIY team working each week to maintain and improve the building. Thanks to Dave Eastman and Tracy Holmes, for this. The building was affected by severe condensation in the autumn of 2023. But since then, team supplied three new dehumidifiers – this has made a significant difference and reduced the problem.

Fire safety checks continue with the emphasis on clear access and emergency lighting being maintained in working order. The fire extinguishers are always checked and certificated annually. This past year has again been a safe year. However, vigilance is always required by all church members. This is to ensure that we keep each other safe by adhering to appropriate guidance and keeping all areas in a safe condition. Anyone unsure about a health and safety issue or requires help with risk assessments is asked to contact the leadership team or trustees. In order to maintain external security and to help with parking issues outside the church we continue to use a basic CCTV security system at the front of the building. This has been expanded to include four cameras.

The roof has required some repairs this year, with slates dislodged in storms, and part of the front gable end requiring repair and pinning. The trustees have agreed to get some quotes for a full roof refurbishment and save towards this investment. Then we can apply for grants and support in the Autumn of 2025. This is already underway.

One side window, which had been broken by a stone, has been replaced. The upper deck also requires new carpets, especially near the windows. This will be another job for the coming year. The roof on the Shed also requires renewing – this is planned for Autumn 2025. Thanks to Dave Eastman who co-ordinates this.

First Aid Training

First Aid Qualifications were updated for thirteen members of the church in November 2024. This was organised and delivered by Kate Woolven of First Aid Swim Training.

Cleaning

Regular cleaning mornings take place, along with the weekly cleaning to keep on top of the building, when possible. Thanks to Jan Uttridge and all those who volunteer to help.

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Safeguarding – Vulnerable Adults and Child Protection

We take the safety and welfare of vulnerable and young people very seriously. We have our own Safeguarding Policy and operate under the umbrella of Thirtyoneeight (formerly the 'Churches Child Protection Agency Service' - CCPAS). Our Safeguarding Policy is available for inspection as well as the accompanying guidance booklet - Children's Workers Pocket Guide. Ade Marks and Richard Waterman have responsibility for this. We are regularly informed by Thirtyoneeight of any updates. The trustees have also asked Alice Allsworth to support our Safeguarding provision.

All volunteers who work with young people and vulnerable adults are asked to undergo a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check and to participate in any training offered by the church and through Thirtyoneeight. Workers are also asked to familiarise themselves with the church's Safeguarding policy and guidance. By following good practice, we all work together to safeguard any children and vulnerable adults in our care. Any additional training can be provided on request. We have a significant number of the church covered by DBS checks. Thanks to Richard Waterman for leading this.

Equal opportunities statement

In order to protect members of Grapevine, participants in community activities, and volunteers or employees, Grapevine has an Equal Opportunities statement which is available for review. The statement is based on a model supplied by Thirtyoneeight.

Policies and procedures - Updates

Grapevine's policies and procedures are updated in response to any changing national legislation and to standardise the format of presentation. In 2020, an updated Health and Safety Risk Assessment was introduced in response to government guidance on Coronavirus (Covid 19). Our Fire safety actions and procedures were updated significantly in 2021. A significant number of policies associated with risk were updated this year 2023 following recommendations to charities advised by guidance supplied by the Charity Commission. Grapevine used the proformas in the Standard Policy Pack for Churches and Charities supplied by Stewardship. Thanks to all the trustees for assisting with this demanding process.

Office

The office for Grapevine Community Church is based at 1 Glenfeadon Terrace in Portreath due to lack of space at the church. It is supported by a telephone, photocopier, printer, computers and some storage space. Our e-mail address is: gccoffice@btinternet.com and landline telephone number 01209 842213.

Leadership Team

The Leadership team includes Ade and Elaine Marks (Co-pastors) with Alan and Nichola Bentley (Assistant Pastors). The team meets to discuss and pray about the challenges and direction of church, to encourage and to share vision and strategy ideas.

Networking, mission and support

The activities of the church must always extend beyond our local area. We are pleased to be associated with several local, national and international contacts. We are always delighted to maintain working contact with other churches in the area. We also value the input of our visitors on a regular basis. Grapevine continues to develop links with other churches and associated Christian organisations.

Local Leadership Prayer and Fellowship

The leadership team participates in prayer and fellowship meetings with other local church leaders and churches when possible. This is a good way of moving together in unity of spirit and purpose. Grapevine is also regularly invited to participate in monthly Prayer & Share meetings and prayer meetings for Cornwall.

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Trustees

The church is a registered charity with appointed trustees. They are Alan Bentley, Richard Waterman (treasurer), Alice Allsworth (chairperson and secretary), David Eastman and Nichola Bentley. Thanks once again for all your ongoing hard work, continued support and creativity.

Sharing the Gospel / Mission

Our challenge is to always keep reviewing outreach and to demonstrate the gospel in action. This is the way people will be drawn towards God's heart. How can we reach out more? What else can we do to fulfil our mission for the next year? God gives us the gifts and abilities - we must continue to use them for His glory, and we can learn more! As part of the desire to reach out to people and show the love of God in action we still choose not to charge for activities or refreshments. This is to make every activity available to all irrespective of means. Of course, anyone can donate to the work of the church if they wish to. Our vision remains the same - ***New start, new love, new life.***

Thank you for being part of this family.

Treasurer's report

The examined accounts for the year 2024-25 are attached. The received income was £63,212 which was a 7% increase on the previous year. The majority of the income comes from regular giving either via Stewardship or direct payments by bank transfer. Outgoings at £43,972 were 13% down on the previous year. (The biggest one-off expense was for roof repairs at £1159). The reserves therefore increased and stood at £49,863. The Hardship Fund was well used and payments of £1,723 were made and at the end of the year the Hardship Fund stood at £1,677. *Richard Waterman*

Trustees' responsibilities

The Charities Act 2011 requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which presents a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the surplus of the Charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to

1. Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
2. Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
3. Prepare financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the trust will continue in existence.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

I approve the attached statement of financial activities and balance sheet and confirm that I have made available all information necessary for its preparation.

Approved by the Trustees on

12/11/25

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

DJ Eastman

Printed Name:

DAVID EASTMAN

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

Report to the trustees of Grapevine Community Church on the annual accounts for the year ended 30th of June 2025 set out on pages 11 to 15.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144(2)) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act), and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Act),
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145 (5)(b) of the 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 Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the organisation 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 the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the trustees requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section s.130 of the Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with these accounting records have not been met; or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Signature: *Zita Derbak*

Date: 14.11.2025

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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024/25 £	Total 2023/24 £
RECEIPTS :					
Voluntary Receipts	2a	58,828	2,450	61,278	57,825
Investment Income	2b	638	-	638	208
Other Receipts	2c	1,296	-	1,296	1,250
TOTAL RECEIPTS		60,762	2,450	63,212	59,075
PAYMENTS :					
Costs of Charitable Activities	3	42,249	1,723	43,972	50,591
TOTAL PAYMENTS		42,249	1,723	43,972	50,591
NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES		18,513	727	19,240	8,484
Balances Brought Forward		29,673	950	30,623	21,931
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD		48,186	1,677	49,863	30,415

The notes on pages 13 to 15 form part of these accounts.

All operations are continuing operations.

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 30TH OF JUNE 2025

ASSETS	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	30-Jun 2025 Total £	30-Jun 2024 Total £
Cash Funds:				
Current Account	5,361	1,677	7,038	5,436
Deposit Account	22,175	-	22,175	10,053
Fixed Deposit Account	20,650	-	20,650	15,134
	48,186	1,677	49,863	30,623
Represented by				
Unrestricted Funds	48,186	-	48,186	29,673
Restricted Funds	-	1,677	1,677	950
Total Funds	48,186	1,677	49,863	30,623
Other Monetary Assets:				
Prepayments	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Assets retained for the Charity's own use:				
Building	488,000	-	488,000	488,000
	488,000	-	488,000	488,000
LIABILITIES				
Independent Examiners Fee	756	-	756	720
	756	-	756	720

TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES IN RELATION TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Charity Law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which comply with the regulations set out in the Charities Act 2011. The Trustees have elected to take advantage of the provisions that apply to small charities and have prepared a Receipts and Payments Account and Statement of Assets and Liabilities which are set out on pages 11 and 12.

Approved by the Trustees on 12/11/25

Signed on their behalf by D. Beaton,

GRAPEVINE COMMUNITY CHURCH

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2025

1. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The accounts have been prepared under the "Receipts and Payments" basis as prescribed by the Charity Commissioners, and they meet the appropriate legal requirements.

2. RECEIPTS	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024/25 £	Total 2023/24 £
a) Voluntary Receipts					
Gift Aided Tithes		39,032	-	39,032	36,127
Gift Aid Recovered		-	-	-	-
Offerings		19,796	-	19,796	16,756
Hardship Fund	4	-	2,450	2,450	4,420
Coffee Mornings		-	-	-	522
		58,828	2,450	61,278	57,825
b) Bank Interest					
Bank interest		638	-	638	208
		638	-	638	208
c) Other Receipts					
Other Income		1,296	-	1,296	1,250
		1,296	-	1,296	1,250

3. PAYMENTS

Costs of Charitable Activities

Gifts and Donations	4	1,662	1,723	3,385	5,640
Heating and Lighting		4,309	-	4,309	4,203
Youth Work		1,823	-	1,823	2,056
Stationary/ Office		617	-	617	489
Church Events Costs		2,116	-	2,116	1,141
Church Equipment		423	-	423	1,058
Property Costs		1,893	-	1,893	8,284
Training Courses/ Materials		216	-	216	221
Employment Costs	5	21,579	-	21,579	20,291
Insurance		1,072	-	1,072	1,055
Water Rates		772	-	772	682
Travel Costs		1,770	-	1,770	1,674
Office Rent		1,770	-	1,770	1,674
Child Protection		172	-	172	162
Telephone and Internet		-	-	-	0
Licenses and Subscriptions		842	-	842	811
Payroll Cost		493	-	493	490
Independent Examiners Fee		720	-	720	660
		42,249	1,723	43,972	50,591

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4. RESTRICTED FUNDS

The Church has begun a restricted Hardship fund to follow one of its objects - namely the relief of persons who are in conditions of need, hardship or distress, or are aged or sick and to relieve the distress caused thereby in the said location and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the World as the trustees from time to time may think fit.

CURRENT YEAR	Balance 01-Jul 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Balance 30-Jun 2024 £
Hardship Fund	950	2,450	-1,723	-	1,677
	950	2,450	-1,723	-	1,677

PRIOR YEAR	Balance 01-Jul 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Balance 30-Jun 2024 £
Hardship Fund	380	4,420	-3,850	-	950
	380	4,420	-3,850	-	950

5. STAFF COSTS AND NUMBERS

	Total 2024/25 £	Total 2023/24 £
Gross Wages and Salaries	20,950	19,700
Employer's National Insurance Costs	1,827	1,463
less Employment Allowance	-1,827	-1,463
Employer Pension Contributions	629	591
	21,579	20,291

Employee was engaged in the following activity:

	Total 2024/25	Total 2023/24
Leadership	1	1
	1	1

The Church has one employee: Mr Adrian Marks - employed from 1st Nov 2016. No employee received emoluments in excess of £60,000 and staff were paid through the PAYE system.

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6. PAYMENTS TO AND FROM TRUSTEES

No payments were made to trustees or any persons connected with them during this financial period. No other material transaction took place between the organisation and a trustee or any person connected with them.

All the trustees are church members and give via the weekly offerings or via Stewardship.

7. RISK ASSESSMENT

The Trustees actively review the major risks which the charity faces on a regular basis and believe that maintaining the free reserves stated, combined with the annual review of the controls over key financial systems carried out on an annual basis will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The Trustees have also examined other operational and business risks which they face and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks.

8. RESERVES POLICY

The Trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the charity's needs. This is based on the charity's size and the level of financial commitments held. The Trustees aim to ensure the charity will be able to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives even if there is a temporary shortfall in income or unexpected expenditure. The Trustees will endeavour not to set aside funds unnecessarily.

9. PUBLIC BENEFIT

The charity acknowledges its requirement to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes or 'aims' that are for the public benefit. Details of how the charity has achieved this are provided in the Trustees report. The Trustees confirm that they have paid due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit before deciding what activities the charity should undertake.