

**BEDFORD CHRISTIAN CENTRE**  
**ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1 APRIL 2024**

# BEDFORD CHRISTIAN CENTRE

## LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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<b>Charity number</b>	1120030
<b>Independent examiner</b>	Stuart Bryans 287 London Road Bedford UK MK42 0PX

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# BEDFORD CHRISTIAN CENTRE

## TRUSTEES' REPORT

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1 APRIL 2024

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The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 1 April 2024.

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 charity's constitution, the Charities Act 2011 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 charity's objects are the provision of religious activities in accordance with the Christian faith and to provide financial aid to other charitable organisations concerned with the relief of poverty and the provision of aid to children and the elderly, along with others in need. There has been no change in these objectives and activities during the year.

#### *Public benefit*

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

#### **Achievements and performance**

##### *Significant activities and achievements against objectives*

#### **Financial review**

##### *Reserves policy*

It is the policy of the charity 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. 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 charity's current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. This level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year.

##### *Major risks*

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

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

The charity is an entity governed by its constitution.

The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Mr Aaron Thapar

Mr Mark Thapar

Mr Sardar Thapar

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

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

Mr Aaron Thapar

**Trustee**

30 January 2025

# **BEDFORD CHRISTIAN CENTRE**

## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT**

### **TO THE TRUSTEES OF BEDFORD CHRISTIAN CENTRE**

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Bedford Christian Centre (the charity) for the year ended 1 April 2024.

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

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

#### **Independent examiner's statement**

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared financial statements in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

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 charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.

#### **Stuart Bryans**

287 London Road  
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Dated: 30 January 2025

# BEDFORD CHRISTIAN CENTRE

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1 APRIL 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
<b>Income from:</b>			
Donations and legacies	3	40,370	51,327
<b>Total income</b>		40,370	51,327
<b>Expenditure on:</b>			
Charitable activities	4	37,261	47,434
Other expenditure	8	1,152	796
<b>Total expenditure</b>		38,413	48,230
<b>Net income and movement in funds</b>		1,957	3,097
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>			
Fund balances at 2 April 2023		212,634	209,537
<b>Fund balances at 1 April 2024</b>		214,591	212,634

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

# BEDFORD CHRISTIAN CENTRE

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

**AS AT 1 APRIL 2024**

	Notes	2024 £	£	2023 £	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	10		199,725		199,725
<b>Current assets</b>					
Cash at bank and in hand		14,866		12,909	
<b>Net current assets</b>			14,866		12,909
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			214,591		212,634
<b>Net assets excluding pension liability</b>			214,591		212,634
<b>The funds of the charity</b>					
Unrestricted funds			214,591		212,634
			214,591		212,634

The financial statements were approved by the trustees on 30 January 2025

Mr Aaron Thapar  
**Trustee**

# BEDFORD CHRISTIAN CENTRE

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1 APRIL 2024

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#### 1 Accounting policies

##### Charity information

Bedford Christian Centre is a charity registered with the Charity Commission.

##### 1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's [governing document], the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the Charities SORP "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 charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

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

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, [modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value]. 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 charity 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.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the charity.

##### 1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the charity 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 charity 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 charity 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.



# BEDFORD CHRISTIAN CENTRE

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1 APRIL 2024

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### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### 1.5 Expenditure

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors 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 creditors 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 creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

#### 1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets 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 on the following bases:

Freehold land and buildings	Not depreciated
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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 fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity 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.

#### **Basic financial assets**

Basic financial assets, which include debtors 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.

# BEDFORD CHRISTIAN CENTRE

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1 APRIL 2024

### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### **Basic financial liabilities**

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors 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.

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#### **Derecognition of financial liabilities**

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

### 1.9 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 charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

### 2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity'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 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Donations and gifts	40,370	51,327

# BEDFORD CHRISTIAN CENTRE

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1 APRIL 2024

### 4 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Heading #ac988 2024 £	Heading #ac988 2023 £
<b>Direct costs</b>		
Church activities	5,978	20,751
Donations	1,150	1,196
Insurance		
	1,085	955
Utilities	2,197	1,275
Repairs & maintenance	23,121	20,373
Phone & internet	925	934
Computer expenses	2,805	1,935
Stationery	-	15
	<u>37,261</u>	<u>47,434</u>
<b>Analysis by fund</b>		
Unrestricted funds	<u>37,261</u>	<u>47,434</u>

### 5 Net movement in funds

	2024 £	2023 £
The net movement in funds is stated after charging/(crediting):		
	<u></u>	<u></u>

### 6 Trustees

During the year each of the trustees received a gift of £6,483.92 from the charity during the year. This was for their work as church leaders rather than for their roles as trustees of the charity.

### 7 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2024 Number	2023 Number
Total	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

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:

# BEDFORD CHRISTIAN CENTRE

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1 APRIL 2024

### 8 Other expenditure

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
Administration expenses	240	240
Miscellaneous expenses	912	556
	<u>1,152</u>	<u>796</u>

### 9 Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

### 10 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold land and buildings £
<b>Cost</b>	
At 2 April 2023	<u>199,725</u>
At 1 April 2024	<u>199,725</u>
<b>Carrying amount</b>	
At 1 April 2024	<u>199,725</u>
At 1 April 2023	<u>199,725</u>

### 11 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.

	At 2 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	At 1 April 2024 £
General funds	<u>212,634</u>	<u>40,370</u>	<u>(38,413)</u>	<u>214,591</u>
<b>Previous year:</b>	<b>At 2 April 2022 £</b>	<b>Incoming resources £</b>	<b>Resources expended £</b>	<b>At 1 April 2023 £</b>
General funds	<u>209,537</u>	<u>51,327</u>	<u>(48,230)</u>	<u>212,634</u>

# **BEDFORD CHRISTIAN CENTRE**

## **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)** ***FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1 APRIL 2024***

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### **12 Related party transactions**

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2023 - none).