

HARVEST FIELD CHURCH

Trustees' Annual Report

For the year ended 31 March 2025

1. Reference and Administrative Details

Charity Name: Harvest Field Church

Governing Document: Constitution (amended 13 May 2007)

Charity Year: 1 April 2024 – 31 March 2025

The Church is governed by its Constitution and is administered by the Executive Committee, whose members are the charity trustees for the purposes of charity law.

2. Structure, Governance and Management

Harvest Field Church is constituted under a written Constitution originally adopted in 1993 and amended in 2006 and 2007 .

The charity is governed by an Executive Committee consisting of the Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and elected members, in accordance with the Constitution. The Pastor serves as an ex officio member of the Executive Committee.

Trustees are elected at the Annual General Meeting. The Executive Committee meets regularly (not less than twice per year as required by the Constitution) and is responsible for:

- Setting and overseeing general policy
- Managing the administration and affairs of the Church
- Stewardship of finances and property
- Ensuring compliance with charity law

Trustees are aware of their duties under the Charities Act and have had regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance in carrying out their responsibilities.

3. Objects and Aims

The Objects of the charity, as stated in the Constitution, are:

1. The advancement of the Christian religion in accordance with the Statement of Faith.
2. The relief of need, financial hardship or sickness

In pursuing these Objects, Harvest Field Church seeks:

- To proclaim and teach the Christian gospel
 - To encourage Christian discipleship and spiritual growth
 - To provide opportunities for worship and fellowship
 - To support mission and evangelism locally and internationally
 - To offer pastoral care and practical support to those in need
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4. Activities During the Year

4.1 Public Worship and Teaching

The Church held regular weekly worship services open to the public. These services included:

- Biblical preaching and teaching
- Prayer and intercession
- Congregational worship
- Teaching on Christian discipleship and spiritual growth

The preaching ministry emphasised the authority of Scripture, the saving work of Jesus Christ, and the transforming work of the Holy Spirit, consistent with the Church's Statement of Faith.

Services were publicly accessible and provided spiritual instruction and encouragement to attendees of all ages and backgrounds.

4.2 Prayer and Pastoral Support

The Church provided ongoing pastoral care, including:

- Personal pastoral meetings
- Prayer ministry
- Support during times of illness, bereavement, or personal difficulty

- Home visits where appropriate

This work contributed directly to the relief of need and sickness in both spiritual and practical forms, in line with the Church's Objects.

4.3 Teaching, Publications and Online Ministry

In furtherance of its Objects and Powers (including the issuing and circulation of teaching and recorded material), the Church:

- Produced and circulated Bible teaching materials
- Published devotional and instructional Christian content
- Maintained an online presence providing free access to sermons and Christian teaching
- Used digital media platforms to extend the reach of its ministry beyond the local congregation

This enabled the Church to serve individuals who may not be able to attend in person and to provide wider public benefit through accessible Christian teaching.

4.4 Evangelism and Mission

The Church continued to promote and support evangelistic outreach, both locally and more widely, including:

- Public proclamation of the Christian message
- Support for Christian mission initiatives
- Engagement in evangelistic conversations and pastoral outreach

The Church also supported Christian charitable and missionary activity consistent with its constitutional powers .

4.5 Relief of Need and Practical Assistance

In line with its Object of relieving need, financial hardship or sickness , the Church provided:

- Financial assistance in appropriate cases
- Practical help to individuals experiencing hardship
- Support and encouragement for those facing physical or emotional challenges

All such support was provided at the discretion of the trustees and in accordance with the charity's Objects.

5. Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty under section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Harvest Field Church provides public benefit in the following ways:

- **Advancement of Religion:** By holding regular public worship services, teaching the Christian faith, and providing free access to sermons and instruction, the Church advances the Christian religion for the benefit of the public.
- **Pastoral and Moral Benefit:** Through teaching, counselling and pastoral care, the Church promotes moral and spiritual well-being.
- **Community Cohesion:** The Church provides a welcoming environment that fosters fellowship, mutual support and community engagement.
- **Relief of Need:** Through financial and practical assistance, the Church contributes to the relief of hardship and sickness.
- **Accessible Teaching Resources:** The Church's publications and online ministry provide freely accessible Christian teaching to a wider audience beyond the local congregation.

The Trustees believe that these activities demonstrably benefit both those who attend the Church and the wider public.

6. Financial Review

During the year ended 31 March 2025, the Church received an exceptional gift which resulted in annual income exceeding £25,000.

Income was derived from:

- Voluntary donations and tithes
- Gifts and offerings
- Exceptional one-off donation(s)
- Other voluntary contributions

Expenditure was applied solely towards the promotion of the Church's Objects in accordance with the Constitution .

Funds were used to support:

- Ministry and teaching
- Pastoral work
- Administration and governance
- Property and operational costs
- Mission and charitable support

The Trustees remain committed to careful financial stewardship and to ensuring that resources are applied exclusively in furtherance of the charity's purposes.

7. Reserves Policy

The Trustees aim to maintain sufficient unrestricted reserves to:

- Meet ongoing operational commitments
- Manage unexpected expenditure
- Ensure continuity of ministry

The exceptional gift received during the year has strengthened the Church's financial position and provides increased stability for future ministry.

8. Plans for the Future

Looking ahead, the Church intends to:

- Continue regular public worship and teaching
- Expand the reach of its online ministry
- Strengthen pastoral and community support
- Continue supporting mission initiatives
- Ensure responsible governance and financial oversight

The Trustees remain committed to advancing the Christian religion and relieving need in accordance with the Church's constitutional Objects.

9. Trustees' Responsibilities Statement

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards.

The Trustees are responsible for:

- Keeping proper accounting records
- Safeguarding the assets of the charity
- Preventing and detecting fraud and other irregularities
- Ensuring that funds are applied solely in furtherance of the charity's Objects

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf:

Chair / Trustee

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'P. Measures', written over a horizontal line.

Peter F. Measures

Date: January 31st 2026

Harvest Field Church Income and expenses For Period Covering 01/04/2024 to 31/03/2025

Revenues			
Income			£0.00
Asset purchase		£0.00	
Banking Interest Accrued		£48.11	
Event income		£0.00	
Gifts given with designation		£0.00	
Chair Fund	£0.00		
Children's Room	£0.00		
Christmas Gifts to Missions	£0.00		
Indian Church	£0.00		
Mission Bible Purchases	£0.00		
Overseas Aid	£0.00		
Overseas Mission Project	£0.00		
Philippine Church	£0.00		
Special offering	£675.00		
Specific department	£0.00		
The Brightest of Smiles Trust	£0.00		
Hall Use (Bookings)		£1,577.00	
Insurance claim		£0.00	
Reimbursement		£0.00	
Special Event Member Contribution		£0.00	
Tithes (Cash/bank)		£0.00	
Tithes/Offerings (Cash)		£0.00	
Tithes/Offerings (Cheques/BACS)		£23,720.00	
Tithes/offerings (Stewardship/Give.net)		£5,949.03	
Total Revenue			£31,969.14
Expenses			
Expenses			£0.00
Affiliation fees		£75.00	
Appreciation gifts		£50.00	
Children's ministry		£0.00	
Children's room		£0.00	
Church administration		£0.00	
Church equipment/consumables		£7.97	
Church hall care		£1,198.62	
Church Insurance		£266.02	
Financial Need Relief		£0.00	
Grounds Care		£0.00	
Hall rent		£1,341.66	
Hall restorations		£0.00	
Hall utilities		£1,146.21	
Hospitality		£288.98	
International outreach		£277.50	
Local outreach		£120.00	

Minister's engagements	£0.00
Ministry travel	£0.00
Mission Gifts	£2,871.00
Mission Projects	£0.00
Money Transfers	£0.00
Music ministry	£117.95
Pastor's Support	£4,800.00
Professional Services	£0.00
Publicity	£0.00
Special events	£0.00
Teen ministry	£0.00
Tithe	£0.00
Training	£0.00
Total Expenses	£12,560.91
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Net income for Period	£19,408.23

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF
HARVEST FIELD CHURCH
For the year ended 31 March 2025

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Harvest Field Church ("the Charity", registered charity number 1120158) for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

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

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material 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 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts 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 accounts to be reached.

Signed:



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Date:

20 February 2026