

REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: 05973307 (England and Wales)  
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1123917

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND**  
**UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**  
**FOR**  
**NEW LIFE (SCUNTHORPE)**

**NEW LIFE (SCUNTHORPE)**

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**  
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The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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**

**Objectives and aims**

We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities. In particular, the Directors/Trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

The objects of the Company are for the benefit of the public:

- Advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Directors/Trustees from time to time may think fit;
- Relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods or services of any kind including through the provision of counselling and support in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Directors/Trustees from time to time think fit;
- Advance education in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom or the world the Director/Trustees from time to time think fit.

**Grantmaking**

Grants are given to relating groups and individuals who are involved in Missions work both in the UK and overseas. The Directors/Trustees review the grant-making policy.

**Volunteers**

The Charity has a large team of volunteers without whose commitment of time the Charity could not operate.

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**ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE**

**Charitable activities**

**Leadership**

2024 was one of the most significant years in the history of newLife church in recent decades as it marked the transition of leadership from Pastor Russ Westfield to Pastor Deana Button, who was inducted as Senior Pastor on March 24th.

Leadership transitions are often challenging events, and more so in this case given that Russ had been in post for 20+ years, and therefore his leadership was the only one that much of the congregation would have known. However, we are pleased to report that the transition was a relatively smooth process, and the church responded overwhelmingly positively to the change. Over the first few months in the role, Deana's primary focus was reviewing activities, meeting teams, and establishing relationships with staff members. Most of the day-to-day operations were unaffected and the various ministries continued to run as they had been doing. Current board members continued in their role, and a Core Leadership Team was established, composed of Daniel and Elaina Skuce, and Mark Button.

**Community Project: Gifted**

Aside from the leadership transition, another significant change involved newLife's longstanding community project, Gifted. The current manager of newLife Compassion, Tim Monaghan, submitted his resignation, though it should be noted that this was for personal reasons and not connected to the change in leadership of the church. Consequently this raised questions for the Board and the CLT regarding the ongoing effectiveness of the project. Rather than immediately recruiting a new person for the Manager's role, it was decided that a review should take place to determine the best way forward. From the review it was apparent that Gifted did not have a sustainable future. Rising costs, changes to building regulations, and the condition of the building meant that without increased levels of funding, the project would struggle financially. Beyond that, the project had shifted from its initial purpose and the needs of the service users were beyond what was within the capacity of a local church to provide in a way that would ensure long-term success. As a result, a unanimous decision was made by the Board to close the Gifted project and a redundancy process was started with staff members. Three staff members applied for redeployment in our other community project - The Lighthouse. Two were successful and the one who was unsuccessful was made redundant. Four other members of staff took voluntary redundancy.

The building was put up for sale on 13th June 2024, an offer was accepted on 10th July 2024, with the sale being completed on 7th November 2024.

Unfortunately the sale of the Gifted site (Manby Road) took longer than expected and as a result, the church faced a period of financial difficulty. Again, this precipitated a review to determine the cause of the issues. Part of the challenge related to the fact that Gifted needed to maintain a high occupancy level to breakeven, which was difficult to sustain. An aging church building has also meant that funds have been used on repairs and maintenance, some of which have been more expensive than anticipated. Following the sale of Manby Road, the church was able to invest significant funds into reserves, and into a repairs and maintenance budget, which the church did not have previously. Being able to set money aside means that newLife now has better cash flow and is in a more secure financial position.

**Community**

Lighthouse - The Lighthouse continued to operate during 2024 despite facing various on-going challenges with the condition of the building and the increased funding required. Due to changes in legislation, the process was begun to apply for HMO status.

201 - a refurbished terraced property in Scunthorpe which we converted to provide living accommodation for four people. These are used for short term lets to those who are moving into a property on their own for the first time. These have been well-utilised throughout the year.

Open House - providing hot meals to the homeless and isolated people every Wednesday evening. Open House relies fully on volunteers and numbers have remained fairly steady averaging 25-30 each week. Some weeks have necessitated take-away meals being offered due to extensive buildings and electrical work being undertaken at our Central site.

Family Bank - a ministry providing school uniforms and other quality donated goods free of charge to families in need. Aimed at families with children up to the age of 18. Most families are referred to Family Bank by other agencies in the county. It is staffed by volunteers and is sited in Crosby.

Truckers Chapel - due to a decrease in volunteers wishing to be a part of this ministry, it ceased to operate at the start of 2024.

We also run other in-house ministries to enable us to be a blessing to our local community such as a Tots group and a Family Activity Breakfast. Both are well-attended and well-received by those who make use of them.

**Overseas Missions**

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New Life currently supports mission work in Colombia, Zimbabwe, Sri Lanka, Slovenia, and Chennai (India). A number of our congregation also support children via Compassion UK in various projects around the world.

**Giving**

Our policy of giving to other chosen Christian ministries has continued. This is in addition to passing on monies designated by our congregation.

**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

**Investment policy**

There are no restrictions on New Life (Scunthorpe)'s power to invest. However, the Directors/Trustees have not found it necessary to commence any investment during this year.

**Reserves policy**

The charity's reserve policy is to hold no less than the equivalent of one quarter of its annual operating costs in reserve in the form of cash (or other short-term assets that may be realised for their cash value at no more than one month's notice) but noting that Covid-19 and the subsequent recovery has had some impact on its operations.

The policy will be reviewed annually by the Trustees during the drafting of the annual report. The Trustees have taken steps to ensure the reserves policy is met and maintained during 2024, through the sale of a property asset on 23 Manby Road, and a number of financial policy updates to ensure a sustainable level of reserves is maintained going forwards.

The amount designated for reserves at 31 December 2024 was £120,000.

**FINANCIAL POSITION**

The Directors/Trustees can report that income since the balance sheet date is in line with expectations. The Statement of Financial Activities shows net income for the year ended 31 December, 2024 of £720,502 (2023 - £587,634) and net expenditure of £625,164 (2023 - £620,147). Free reserves after deducting capital commitments at the year end amounted to £136,368 (2023- £5,185).

**FUTURE PLANS**

**Church**

New Life continues to seek to enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of its internal operations; to improve its offering of public worship experiences; to seek fresh ways to help improve the lives of the most vulnerable within North Lincolnshire; to network with other churches, 3rd sector organisations and public services, and to restructure its activities where necessary.

As acknowledged above, this year saw a transition of leadership from Russ Westfield to Deana Button. Deana is now the Senior Pastor (remunerated) and Chair of the Trustees (non-remunerated). As is natural where a change of leadership occurs, fresh vision and impetus are brought by the new leader who, along with a Core Leadership team, has sought throughout the year to redefine newLife's vision and mission as we step into the future as a church. Under the previous leadership, and for many years, the overarching mission statement was: 'Transforming People, Transforming Places,' and, even though the sentiment still holds true, we have sought to bring a fresh perspective on why newLife exists. Our 'why' statement is what will now underline everything we do as a church and will help us as we seek to outwork our charitable objectives. The statement is: Love Jesus; Grow People; Serve our Community. As we move forwards as a church, we will seek to undertake ministry and mission with these three elements as the foundation.

Over the past year we have also seen growth in our Sunday gatherings increasing from a 2024 Q1 weekly average of 220 people to now averaging around 270-290 people each week. Therefore, the decision has been taken by the Core Leadership team, with full agreement from the Board of Trustees, to move to double services from 21.09.25. This will allow us to continue to grow as a church, as well as providing more opportunities for people to be a part of newLife and our associated activities.

**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

**Governing document**

The Charity is a company limited by guarantee which is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association incorporated on 20 October, 2006 as amended by Special Resolutions dated 10 November, 2006, 8 May, 2007 and 27 May, 2010.

**Recruitment and appointment of new trustees**

The Charity seeks the appointment of Directors/Trustees from within the church with the necessary balance of commitment, skills and experience.

During 2024, both Russ Westfield and Sarah Westfield resigned from their roles as Trustees. Deana Button became a Trustee (Chair).

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**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

**Organisational structure**

The Managing/Charity Directors/Trustees form the Church Council and are responsible for the management of the Charity and its assets in furtherance of its objects.

**Induction and training of new trustees**

All Directors/Trustees are already familiar with the practical work of the Charity being members of the congregation. On appointment Directors/Trustees are informed of their obligations and the main documents which set out the operational framework of the Charity including the Memorandum and Articles of Association.

**Key management remuneration**

Key management remuneration is set and reviewed by a remuneration committee using a tailored salary matrix.

**Related parties**

New Life Scunthorpe has no related parties following the total closure of Brighter Ideas Group, and New Life Compassion in the summer of 2024.

**Risk management**

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

Presently, we do not feel New Life Scunthorpe is at any significant level of financial risk. Due to changes in reserves owing to the sale of assets, and the closure of high risk ventures, we presently have healthy reserves. The risk posed by finances historically is still something we are working to move beyond with the implementation of good financial systems, budgets and controls. Finance reports are currently submitted to the trustees on a monthly basis to ensure that we are mitigating these risks satisfactorily. These reports include surplus and expenditure reports, detailed at a departmental level, as well as budget variance reports so that areas of difference can be investigated and accounted for.

**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Registered Company number**

05973307 (England and Wales)

**Registered Charity number**

1123917

**Registered office**

The House  
New Life Church  
Brumby Wood Lane  
SCUNTHORPE  
DN17 1AB

**Trustees**

R. Westfield (resigned 24.3.24)  
S. L. Westfield (resigned 24.3.24)  
J. R. Taylor  
L. E. Adcock  
T V Mukori  
P A Silabon  
M D Button  
D Button (appointed 24.3.24)  
R Green

**Company Secretary**

Mr. J. R. Taylor

**Independent Examiner**

C. M. Tams F.C.A.  
Smethurst & Co  
12 Abbey Road  
GRIMSBY  
DN32 0HL

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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Bankers**

Barclays Bank plc - Local  
Scunthorpe Central Library  
Carlton Street  
Scunthorpe  
DN15 6TX

**Solicitors**

Geldards LLP  
Dumfries House  
Dumfries Place  
Cardiff  
CF10 3ZF

**EVENTS SINCE THE END OF THE YEAR**

In February 2025 it was announced to the staff at newLife that we would be pursuing the total closure of The Lighthouse. Though similar in nature to newLife's previous residential site, Gifted, the reasons for the closure of the Lighthouse related primarily to strategic outcomes, with financial sustainability being a secondary, though not inconsiderable, motivator for the change. The trustees and key management recognised that residential provisions was not only cost heavy - both in terms of resource and time allocation - but that it also catered for an increasingly narrow demography. As Trustees and Key management we felt we could more successfully pursue our charitable aims and objectives - which are broad reaching in scope - by closing The Lighthouse and reallocating funds to serve a broader cross-section of our community. At the time of writing (September 2025) The Lighthouse has wholly ceased operations pending the completion of the sale of the assets associated with The Lighthouse project, and its corresponding move on accommodation 201 Frodingham Road.

**STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES**

The trustees (who are also the directors of New Life (Scunthorpe) for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which 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 the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- 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 which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and to 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.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 24 September 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

D Button - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF  
NEW LIFE (SCUNTHORPE) (REGISTERED NUMBER: 05973307)**

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**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of New Life (Scunthorpe) ('the Company')**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2024.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees of the Company (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 the Company 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**

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

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 the Company 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.

C. M. Tams F.C.A.

Smethurst & Co  
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24 September 2025



**NEW LIFE (SCUNTHORPE)**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.12.24 Total funds £	31.12.23 Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>					
Donations and legacies	2	239,714	12,800	252,514	209,617
<b>Charitable activities</b>	4				
Church Activities		12,848	-	12,848	21,944
Community Projects		280,036	-	280,036	347,908
Conferencing		11,289	-	11,289	7,047
Investment income	3	622	84	706	486
Other income		163,109	-	163,109	632
<b>Total</b>		<u>707,618</u>	<u>12,884</u>	<u>720,502</u>	<u>587,634</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>					
<b>Charitable activities</b>	5				
Church Activities		294,920	10,804	305,724	260,324
Community Projects		316,388	-	316,388	357,221
Conferencing		88	-	88	3
Missions		2,964	-	2,964	2,599
<b>Total</b>		<u>614,360</u>	<u>10,804</u>	<u>625,164</u>	<u>620,147</u>
Net gains/(losses) on investments		<u>(1)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1)</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>		93,257	2,080	95,337	(32,513)
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>					
Total funds brought forward		597,307	5,592	602,899	635,412
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u><u>690,564</u></u>	<u><u>7,672</u></u>	<u><u>698,236</u></u>	<u><u>602,899</u></u>

**CONTINUING OPERATIONS**

In May 2024 the Gifted community project was discontinued. Income from the discontinued operation during the year was £58,924 and expenditure for the discontinued operation during the year was £82,575.

**NEW LIFE (SCUNTHORPE) (REGISTERED NUMBER: 05973307)**

**BALANCE SHEET  
31 DECEMBER 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.12.24 Total funds £	31.12.23 Total funds £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Tangible assets	12	692,035	-	692,035	814,049
Investments	13	-	-	-	1
		<u>692,035</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>692,035</u>	<u>814,050</u>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Debtors	14	22,749	-	22,749	24,455
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>211,706</u>	<u>7,672</u>	<u>219,378</u>	<u>32,945</u>
		<u>234,455</u>	<u>7,672</u>	<u>242,127</u>	<u>57,400</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>					
Amounts falling due within one year	15	(46,458)	-	(46,458)	(46,623)
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>187,997</u>	<u>7,672</u>	<u>195,669</u>	<u>10,777</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>880,032</u>	<u>7,672</u>	<u>887,704</u>	<u>824,827</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>					
Amounts falling due after more than one year	16	(189,468)	-	(189,468)	(221,928)
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>690,564</u>	<u>7,672</u>	<u>698,236</u>	<u>602,899</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>	20				
Unrestricted funds				690,564	597,307
Restricted funds				<u>7,672</u>	<u>5,592</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>				<u>698,236</u>	<u>602,899</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 December 2024.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 24 September 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

D Button - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

**NEW LIFE (SCUNTHORPE)**  
**CASH FLOW STATEMENT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

	Notes	31.12.24 £	31.12.23 £
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Cash generated from operations	1	(32,609)	(11,552)
Net cash used in operating activities		(32,609)	(11,552)
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(4,884)	(4,042)
Sale of tangible fixed assets		265,000	-
Interest received		706	486
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities		260,822	(3,556)
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>			
Loan repayments in year		(41,780)	(18,636)
Net cash used in financing activities		(41,780)	(18,636)
<b>Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period</b>		186,433	(33,744)
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period</b>		32,945	66,689
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period</b>		219,378	32,945

The notes form part of these financial statements

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**NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

**1. RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES**

	31.12.24 £	31.12.23 £
<b>Net income/(expenditure) for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)</b>	95,337	(32,513)
<b>Adjustments for:</b>		
Depreciation charges	22,586	25,702
Losses on investments	1	-
(Profit)/loss on disposal of fixed assets	(160,688)	239
Interest received	(706)	(486)
Decrease in debtors	1,706	1,290
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	9,155	(5,784)
<b>Net cash used in operations</b>	<u>(32,609)</u>	<u>(11,552)</u>

**2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET (DEBT)/FUNDS**

	At 1.1.24 £	Cash flow £	At 31.12.24 £
<b>Net cash</b>			
Cash at bank and in hand	32,945	186,433	219,378
	<u>32,945</u>	<u>186,433</u>	<u>219,378</u>
<b>Debt</b>			
Debts falling due within 1 year	(19,811)	9,320	(10,491)
Debts falling due after 1 year	(221,928)	32,460	(189,468)
	<u>(241,739)</u>	<u>41,780</u>	<u>(199,959)</u>
<b>Total</b>	<u>(208,794)</u>	<u>228,213</u>	<u>19,419</u>

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of preparing the financial statements**

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at market value.

**Incoming resources**

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Income from government and other grants, whether 'capital' grants or 'revenue' grants, is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the grants have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably and is not deferred.

**Resources expended**

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been included within support costs and allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the Charity in the delivery of its activities.

Support costs include governance costs, those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the Charity and include the audit fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the Charity.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

**Tangible fixed assets**

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Freehold property	- 2% Straight Line
Fixtures and fittings	- 20% Reducing Balance

The Trustees have specified a limit of £250 for capitalisation fixed assets.

All fixed assets are included at cost less accumulated depreciation and Trustees carry out an impairment review when they see necessary.

All freehold property is depreciated over 50 years. This is a departure from the Charity SORP 2019 which states an asset which comprises two or more major components which have substantially different useful economic lives, each component must be depreciated separately over its useful economic life. The Trustees have concluded that the accounts present a true and fair view. A fair presentation has been achieved as any refurbishments to kitchens, bathrooms etc have been included in the statement of financial activities as the cost was incurred.

**Taxation**

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

**Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

**NEW LIFE (SCUNTHORPE)**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued**

**Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits**

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

**Accounting for subsidiaries**

The charity previously carried out some trading activities through its wholly owned subsidiary Brighter Ideas Group Limited in order to raise funds. New Life scunthorpe also had another subsidiary New Life Compassion which has never commenced trading. Following a further dormant year the decision was taken during 2024 to dissolve Brighter Ideas Group Limited. It was also determined that New Life Compassion would not begin trading and would also be dissolved.. Both decisions were agreed by the Trustees following a change in senior leadership in March 2024. This decision was made for strategic purposes, allowing New Life Scunthorpe to focus its resources wholly on the religious aspects of the charitable objective. Both subsidiaries were dissolved in October 2024

The group has not prepared consolidated accounts as it is exempt under the SORP and Charities Act 2011.

**Operating Lease Commitments**

Rentals on operating leases are charged to the statement of financial activities based on the terms set out by the lease agreements in place.

**2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES**

	31.12.24	31.12.23
	£	£
Gifts and Donations	252,514	209,617

**3. INVESTMENT INCOME**

	31.12.24	31.12.23
	£	£
Deposit account interest	706	486

**4. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES**

	Activity	31.12.24	31.12.23
		£	£
Charitable activities	Church Activities	12,848	19,044
Grants	Church Activities	-	2,900
Charitable activities	Community Projects	280,036	346,308
Grants	Community Projects	-	1,600
Charitable activities	Conferencing	11,289	7,047
		304,173	376,899

Grants received, included in the above, are as follows:

	31.12.24	31.12.23
	£	£
Crosby Together	-	4,500

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**5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS**

	Direct Costs £	Grant funding of activities (see note 6) £	Support costs (see note 7) £	Totals £
Church Activities	270,337	5,197	30,190	305,724
Community Projects	285,626	571	30,191	316,388
Conferencing	88	-	-	88
Missions	-	2,964	-	2,964
	<u>556,051</u>	<u>8,732</u>	<u>60,381</u>	<u>625,164</u>

**6. GRANTS PAYABLE**

	31.12.24 £	31.12.23 £
Church Activities	5,197	7,237
Community Projects	571	337
Missions	2,964	2,565
	<u>8,732</u>	<u>10,139</u>

The total grants paid to institutions during the year was as follows:

	31.12.24 £	31.12.23 £
Assemblies of God	3,600	3,600
Zimbabwe- Alan Graham CEF	480	595
Compassion UK	1,152	1,056
	<u>5,232</u>	<u>5,251</u>

The total grants paid to individuals during the year was as follows:

	31.12.24 £	31.12.23 £
Ministry Gift	1,320	2,644
Other Individuals	2,180	2,244
	<u>3,500</u>	<u>4,888</u>

**7. SUPPORT COSTS**

	Governance costs £
Church Activities	30,190
Community Projects	30,191
	<u>60,381</u>

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**8. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)**

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	31.12.24	31.12.23
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	22,586	25,702
Surplus/(deficit) on disposal of fixed assets	(160,688)	239
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**9. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

The charity's memorandum and articles of association allowing remuneration to be paid to trustees are approved by the charity commission. The following remuneration was paid to the following trustees during the year

	Trustee	Trustee Social	Trustee Pension Contributio n	Total	Total
	Salary	Security		31.12.2024	31.12.2023
	£	£	£	£	£
R. Westfield	6,856	632	1,424	8,912	29,726
D. Button	28,577	2,898	1,595	33,070	-
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	35,433	3,530	3,019	41,982	29,726
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**Trustees' expenses**

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2024 nor for the year ended 31 December 2023.

**10. STAFF COSTS**

	31.12.24	31.12.23
	£	£
Wages and salaries	305,878	358,259
Social security costs	16,853	19,402
Other pension costs	14,529	17,915
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	337,260	395,576
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The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	31.12.24	31.12.23
Church	5	7
Community	11	15
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	16	22
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No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.



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**11. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>			
Donations and legacies	209,317	300	209,617
<b>Charitable activities</b>			
Church Activities	17,444	4,500	21,944
Community Projects	347,908	-	347,908
Conferencing	7,047	-	7,047
Investment income	429	57	486
Other income	632	-	632
<b>Total</b>	<b>582,777</b>	<b>4,857</b>	<b>587,634</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>			
<b>Charitable activities</b>			
Church Activities	258,142	2,182	260,324
Community Projects	357,221	-	357,221
Conferencing	3	-	3
Missions	2,599	-	2,599
<b>Total</b>	<b>617,965</b>	<b>2,182</b>	<b>620,147</b>
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>	<b>(35,188)</b>	<b>2,675</b>	<b>(32,513)</b>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
Total funds brought forward	632,495	2,917	635,412
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<b>597,307</b>	<b>5,592</b>	<b>602,899</b>

**12. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

	Freehold property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Totals £
<b>COST</b>			
At 1 January 2024	1,107,095	100,319	1,207,414
Additions	-	4,884	4,884
Disposals	(133,176)	(20,711)	(153,887)
At 31 December 2024	973,919	84,492	1,058,411
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>			
At 1 January 2024	309,590	83,775	393,365
Charge for year	19,478	3,108	22,586
Eliminated on disposal	(30,631)	(18,944)	(49,575)
At 31 December 2024	298,437	67,939	366,376
<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>			
At 31 December 2024	675,482	16,553	692,035
At 31 December 2023	797,505	16,544	814,049

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**13. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS**

	Shares in group undertakings £
<b>MARKET VALUE</b>	
At 1 January 2024	1
Disposals	(1)
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At 31 December 2024	-
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<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>	
At 31 December 2024	-
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At 31 December 2023	1
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There were no investment assets outside the UK.

Brighter Ideas Group Limited, a subsidiary of New Life (Scunthorpe), was dissolved on 15 October 2024. The share capital was a £1 ordinary share, there were no reserves as the company had not traded since 2014.

New Life Compassion, a subsidiary of New Life (Scunthorpe), was dissolved on 8 October 2024. There was no share capital as it was a company limited by guarantee and there were no reserves as it had been dormant since incorporation.

**14. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	31.12.24 £	31.12.23 £
Other debtors	17,082	21,698
Gift Aid debtor	5,667	2,757
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	22,749	24,455
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**15. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	31.12.24 £	31.12.23 £
Bank loans and overdrafts (see note 17)	10,491	19,811
Social security and other taxes	5,033	5,497
Other creditors	30,934	21,315
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	46,458	46,623
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**16. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR**

	31.12.24 £	31.12.23 £
Bank loans (see note 17)	189,468	221,928
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**17. LOANS**

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	31.12.24 £	31.12.23 £
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Bank loans	10,491	19,811
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Amounts falling due between two and five years:		
Bank loans - 1-5 years	50,439	70,198
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**17. LOANS - continued**

	31.12.24 £	31.12.23 £
Amounts falling due in more than five years:		
Repayable by instalments:		
Bank loans more 5 yr by instal	139,029	151,730

**18. LEASING AGREEMENTS**

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

	31.12.24 £	31.12.23 £
Within one year	11,334	11,334
Between one and five years	19,184	30,533
	<u>30,518</u>	<u>41,867</u>

**19. SECURED DEBTS**

The following secured debts are included within creditors:

	31.12.24 £	31.12.23 £
Bank loans	<u>199,960</u>	<u>209,239</u>

Kingdom Bank have a first legal charge over 23 Manby Road and land on the east side, New Life Church Brumby Wood Lane , 201 and 203-205 Frodingham Road, Scunthorpe, dated 20th September 2013.

Kingdom Bank also have a floating charge over all moveable plant, machinery, implements, building materials furniture and equipment at the above properties, dated 20th September 2013.

Barclays Bank have a legal charge over 201 Frodingham Road, Scunthorpe, dated 1st September 2010.

**20. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 1.1.24 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.12.24 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	597,307	107,039	(65,411)	638,935
Electrical work	-	(9,258)	40,000	30,742
Building improvements	-	(4,524)	25,411	20,887
	<u>597,307</u>	<u>93,257</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>690,564</u>
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Other	-	2,800	-	2,800
Crosby Together	5,592	(720)	-	4,872
	<u>5,592</u>	<u>2,080</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,672</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>602,899</u>	<u>95,337</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>698,236</u>

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**20. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	707,618	(600,578)	(1)	107,039
Electrical work	-	(9,258)	-	(9,258)
Building improvements	-	(4,524)	-	(4,524)
	<u>707,618</u>	<u>(614,360)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	<u>93,257</u>
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Other	12,800	(10,000)	-	2,800
Crosby Together	84	(804)	-	(720)
	<u>12,884</u>	<u>(10,804)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,080</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u><u>720,502</u></u>	<u><u>(625,164)</u></u>	<u><u>(1)</u></u>	<u><u>95,337</u></u>

**Comparatives for movement in funds**

	At 1.1.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.23 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	632,495	(35,188)	597,307
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Crosby Together	2,917	2,675	5,592
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u><u>635,412</u></u>	<u><u>(32,513)</u></u>	<u><u>602,899</u></u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	582,777	(617,965)	(35,188)
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Other	300	(300)	-
Crosby Together	4,557	(1,882)	2,675
	<u>4,857</u>	<u>(2,182)</u>	<u>2,675</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u><u>587,634</u></u>	<u><u>(620,147)</u></u>	<u><u>(32,513)</u></u>

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**20. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.1.23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.12.24 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	632,495	71,851	(65,411)	638,935
Electrical work	-	(9,258)	40,000	30,742
Building improvements	-	(4,524)	25,411	20,887
	<u>632,495</u>	<u>58,069</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>690,564</u>
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Other	-	2,800	-	2,800
Crosby Together	2,917	1,955	-	4,872
	<u>2,917</u>	<u>4,755</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,672</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>635,412</u>	<u>62,824</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>698,236</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General fund	1,290,395	(1,218,543)	(1)	71,851
Electrical work	-	(9,258)	-	(9,258)
Building improvements	-	(4,524)	-	(4,524)
	<u>1,290,395</u>	<u>(1,232,325)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	<u>58,069</u>
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Other	13,100	(10,300)	-	2,800
Crosby Together	4,641	(2,686)	-	1,955
	<u>17,741</u>	<u>(12,986)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,755</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>1,308,136</u>	<u>(1,245,311)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	<u>62,824</u>

**Crosby Together**

Grant received towards the provision of services relating to homelessness and family welfare.

**Other restricted funds**

Other restricted funds includes £10,000 donations received for the green room ceiling.

**Transfers between funds**

Following the sale of the Manby Road property £40,000 was designated for electrical work and £30,000 was designated for building improvements.

Transfers to the general unrestricted funds of £4,589 are for building improvements that have been capitalised.

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**21. EMPLOYEE BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS**

The charity makes contributions into a defined contribution scheme for its employees. The amount charged to the Statement Of Financial Activities during the year was £17,548 (2023 - £19,961) and the amount due at the balance sheet date was £Nil (2023 - £1,668).

**22. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS**

	31.12.24	31.12.23
	£	£
Contracted but not provided for in the financial statements	51,629	-

The above are amounts committed to in relation to building and electrical work ongoing at the year end.

**23. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

Two subsidiary companies of the charity were dissolved during the year as disclosed in note 13. The amounts owed by the subsidiary companies to the charity and not recovered totalled £1,542 when the companies were dissolved.

Remuneration was paid to trustees during the year as disclosed in note 9.

Remuneration paid to key management during the year amounts to £88,010 (2023- £87,361).

Donations made by trustees during the year amounted to £23,827 (2023: £28,940).

**24. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS**

In February 2025 it was announced to the staff at newLife that we would be pursuing the total closure of The Lighthouse. Though similar in nature to newLife's previous residential site, Gifted, the reasons for the closure of the Lighthouse related primarily to strategic outcomes, with financial sustainability being a secondary, though not inconsiderable, motivator for the change. The trustees and key management recognised that residential provisions was not only cost heavy - both in terms of resource and time allocation - but that it also catered for an increasingly narrow demography. As Trustees and Key management we felt we could more successfully pursue our charitable aims and objectives - which are broad reaching in scope - by closing The Lighthouse and reallocating funds to a serve a broader cross-section of our community. At the time of writing (September 2025) The Lighthouse has wholly ceased operations pending the completion of the sale of the assets associated with The Lighthouse project, and it's corresponding move on accommodation 201 Frodingham Road.