



**Annual Report 1 April 2022 – 31 March 2023**

## **1. Reference and administrative details of the charity, its trustees and advisers**

Yeovil Vineyard Church is a charity registered under its own name and does not use any other name. The Charity registration number for Yeovil Vineyard Church is 1130411.

The address of the principal office for Yeovil Vineyard Church is:

Unit 5, Bartec 4  
Watercombe Lane  
Yeovil, Somerset  
BA20 2SU

The names of all those who were the charity's trustees or custodian trustees on the date the report was approved:

Hendrik Hattingh (retired March 2023)  
John Spearman  
Rachel Gale  
Tim Baker (appointed March 2023)

## **2. Structure, governance and management**

The governing document of Yeovil Vineyard Church is the Charitable Trust Deed which is dated 30 January 2009.

The methods adopted for the recruitment and appointment of new trustees are at the sole discretion of the trustees of Yeovil Vineyard Church.

## **3. Financial Review:**

Our aim is to keep a Contingency fund of 15% of our annual income. We do not have a formal policy on the reserves that is to be enforced but aim to keep the funds of the church in a good state.

Other financial controls are in place requiring the trustees to make decisions about spending any reserves and big amounts that may be required. A limit is set at £2,000 so that any amount larger than this would require the trustees' approval. We also have a budget approval process whereby the trustees review and agree the proposed budget spend for each year.

It is our aim never to be in deficit and we have every intention to keep it that way. All our excess income at the end of each year will be allocated to our church growth fund. The church growth fund is the money we are setting aside in order to put down a deposit on a building and other building/venue related costs.

Yeovil Vineyard Church  
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Receipts and Payments Accounts

Section A Receipts and payments

	2022/23			2021/22		
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Receipts</b>						
<b>Gifts</b>						
Gift Aid Giving	37,231	1,547		31,833	0	
Non Gift Aid Giving	14,269	4,823		18,596	7,063	
Gift Aid tax claim	7,934	0	65,804	8,049	250	65,791
<b>Other Receipts</b>						
Conference Contributions						
Course Contributions						
Other Receipts	306			20		
CD Sales						
Interest	12		318			20
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>59,752</b>	<b>6,369</b>	<b>66,122</b>	<b>58,498</b>	<b>7,313</b>	<b>65,811</b>
<b>Payments</b>						
<b>Pay</b>						
Salaries & Wages	29,083			25,766		
Payroll Services	551		29,634	477		26,242
<b>Non Pay</b>						
Rent	18,045			25,304		
Rates & Utilities	2,187			2,502		
Printing, Postage & Stationary	667			1,006		
Phone & Internet	829			510		
Computer equipment, software, licenses & subscriptions	2,490			2,528		
Equipment Hire						
Office Equipment & Furniture	64			353		
Maintenance	347	1,547		6,638	5,832	
Insurance	1,158			1,203		
Professional & Legal						
CCPAS & DBS checks	175			163		
Sound & Music Equipment	232			90		
Resources	0			38		
CD Purchases						
Catering	1,141	3,665		111	6,229	
Hospitality						
Conferences & Training costs	322			1,125		
Advertising						
Travel Expenses	264			349		
Giving	3,278	1,108		3,090	3,415	
Sundry Expenses				45		
Bank Charges & Interest	72		37,590	97		60,626
<b>Purchase of Assets</b>	<b>1,426</b>		<b>1,426</b>	<b>13,432</b>		<b>13,432</b>
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>62,330</b>	<b>6,320</b>	<b>68,650</b>	<b>84,825</b>	<b>15,476</b>	<b>100,300</b>
<b>Net of Receipts/(Payments)</b>	<b>(2,578)</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>(2,528)</b>	<b>(26,326)</b>	<b>(8,163)</b>	<b>(34,489)</b>
Transfers between funds	0	0	0	(1,727)	1,727	0
Cash and monetary assets balance last year end	9,274	739	10,012	37,327	7,174	44,501
<b>Cash and monetary assets balance this year end</b>	<b>6,696</b>	<b>788</b>	<b>7,484</b>	<b>9,274</b>	<b>739</b>	<b>10,012</b>

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

B1 Cash funds	8,062	10,512
B2 Other monetary assets - rental prepayments		
B3 Investment assets		
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use		
Plant & Equipment	17,331	15,905
B5 Liabilities - gifts made	(578)	(500)
Net Assets	24,815	25,917

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature



Print Name

TIM BAKER



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

YEOM VINEYARD CHURCH

On accounts for the year  
ended

31.3.23

Charity no  
(if any)

Set out on pages

Remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31.03.2023.

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 (other than that disclosed below \*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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

Signed:

*Michael Hugh Jenkins*

Date:

26.1.24

Name:

MICHAEL HUGH JENKINS

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

Address:

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

NIL

#### **4. Funds held as custodian trustee on behalf of others**

Yeovil Vineyard Church and its trustees are not acting as custodian trustees and do not hold any assets in this capacity.

#### **5. Public benefit statement**

Yeovil Vineyard Church is governed by its Charitable Trust Deed that clearly outlines its objects as a charity and the duties/authority of trustees of the charity. We are dedicated to adhering to the laws, rules and regulation that govern us as a charity and as a church.

We believe that everything we do is in the best interest of the public and community we serve, and we seek to take due regard to any guidance the Commission publishes, as well as other organisations that serve charitable trusts and churches in general.

##### **1. Objectives and activities**

The Objects of the Church are for the benefit of the public:

To advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Beliefs in the Schedule hereto attached in such ways and in such parts of Yeovil, Somerset, the United Kingdom or the world as the Trustees from time to time may think fit;

to 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 Yeovil, Somerset, the United Kingdom or the world as the Trustees from time to time may think fit.

The Trustees must use the income and may use the capital of the Church in promoting the Objects.

##### **2. Achievements and performance**

###### **a. Giving**

Yeovil Vineyard Church has a target of giving 10% of our income towards supporting other charities and organisations. This year we have given towards the following organisations:

Vineyard Churches UK	Supporting other charitable trusts in the UK
Piemonte Vineyard	Support for Church Planting in Italy

###### **b. Achievements**

Meeting together as a community on Sundays has become easier to do this year. During the year attendance has grown by over 25% as people have continued to find confidence in gathering in larger environments to be around people.

We have been able to give more people opportunity to serve and use their gifts for the benefit of others, introducing catering once again in our services and developing a youth led service, within which our young people get further involved in all aspects of making our gatherings happen, from welcome to worship.

We continue to meet on Sundays at the Abbey Community Centre, a great value resource in the local community. Whilst it has limitations in breakout rooms, the team have been incredibly creative to provide activities and teaching in aspects of practical faith for our children and young people.

This year has seen us finish the move into our new offices, The Vineyard Centre, Unit 5, Bartec 4, Yeovil. Along with having a mezzanine floor installed, carpeting and minor installations to make it a versatile usable space.

Our youth team have launched a Friday night called 'The Bridge Café' at the Vineyard Centre, open to 12-18 year-olds, to come and hang out, play games and have fun together.

A trip for teenagers to the Vineyard Churches UK&I national DTI (Dreaming The Impossible) festival was also arranged and well attended. A fun and significant time was had by all, with several young people deeply inspired to follow Jesus.

The worship ministry has further grown this year with one of our young people now leading in services and the re-introduction of 'Worship and Prayer' nights. We are seeing teams grow in facilitating the worship of God as we gather, including one youth worship team.

Core Groups are a key part of Yeovil Vineyard and through this year we increased from 2 to 3 core groups – two now meet fully in person and one online. The number of people connected to core groups has increased to 35 which represents around 70% of the adults we see regularly in our Sunday gatherings. Some missional and relational elements were enhanced within these groups with people supporting neighbours and families within the church in practical ways.

Papas Pantry has continued to be a vital part of the life of the church. People give regularly and generously to support people within our community financially. The team has been led prayerfully and with considerable voluntary investment to offer inspired support to a number of homes this year. We have been humbled by a growing understanding and appreciation that often people's financial need is also underpinned by an emotional/spiritual need. The vision for Papa's Pantry has always been to reflect the heart of God, demonstrating his love and compassion for his beloved children.

The final quarter of 2022/23 saw the start of a transition of leadership from Hendrik and Leonie Hattingh to Tim and Nicola Baker. This meant a change in the trustees as Hendrik steps down and Tim is appointed. We have also said goodbye to Leonie as a paid employee following a delayed, but much deserved, retirement. We continue to employ our Worship and Operations Pastor who will support Tim and Nicola as they voluntarily move into their new roles in 2023/24.

### **c. Other News**

The leadership team would like to thank all the individuals who have been serving over the last year to develop and facilitate our gatherings as we grow a community to Love God, Love People and Transform the World.