

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1133718

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Previously excepted

Registered 2010-01-25

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

Contact

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Activities

Objects: The principal purpose of the Church is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination. The Church may also advance education and carry out other charitable purposes in the United Kingdom and/or other parts of the world.

Activities: Our aim is to show the love of Jesus in word and deed, bringing people into a closer relationship with Him. Our activities include: Mission, family friendly services, children's groups, creche, small groups for bible study, prayer, discipleship, toddlers groups, community events and community meals.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** UNDEFINED. IN PRACTICE, LOCAL.
- Shropshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£115,484	£116,335	-	-
2024-03-31	£135,480	£136,142	-	-
2023-03-31	£101,705	£126,115	-	-
2022-03-31	£114,463	£84,105	-	-
2021-03-31	£96,096	£88,637	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev Nicholas Ashley Price	Chair	2022-05-01
Beryl Margaret Brier		2026-04-28
Christine Mary Boddy		2025-04-29
Jennifer Margaret Evans		2019-01-22
Mervyn Leonard Taylor		2026-04-28
Nicola Mary Robinson		2025-04-29
Rev Graham Sinden		2022-03-15

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report 1 April 2024 – 31 March 2025

Charity Number: 1133718

Trustees

Trustee Name	Office	Dates acted if not for whole year	Appointed by
Rev Nick Price	Minister		Church Meeting
Tony Burns	Safeguarding Trustee		Church Meeting
Robin Scoulding			Church Meeting
Jenny Evans	Treasurer		Church Meeting
Robert Wise			Church Meeting
Graham Sinden			Church Meeting
Nicky Robinson			Church Meeting
Christine Boddy			Church Meeting

Name and addresses of advisers

Bankers	Barclays Bank	Barclays, Leicester, LE87 2BB
Solicitors	Anthony Collins	143 Edmund Street, Birmingham, B3 2ES
Accountants & Auditors	D.R.E & Co	Kingsland House, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury, SY2 6BL

Description of the charity's trusts

Trust constitution is based upon the Baptist Union Corporation Constitution for Baptist Churches. The Constitution was adopted on 4 June 2024.

Charity Trustees are elected at a Church Meeting from among the membership of the Church.

Governance

Direction and leadership of the church is provided by a Leadership Team comprising the Minister, the Associate Minister (if any) and the other Trustees.

The Charity Trustees are accountable to the Church Meeting which comprises all members of the church. Church meetings are held four times each year.

The number of Charity Trustees is determined by the Church Meeting which, on 12 November 2009, decided that there should be no fewer than two Trustees and, on 6 November 2011, decided that there should be no more than seven Trustees (in addition to the Ministers).

The staff of the Church includes the Minister and other paid staff including an Operations Manager and a cleaner.

The Church is a member of the Baptist Union and the Heart of England Baptist Association.

Objectives and activities

The principal purpose of the Church is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination. The Church may also advance education and carry out other charitable purposes in the United Kingdom and/or other parts of the world.

The Trustees have read and are mindful of the Charity Commission's guidance on the public benefit including the specific guidance on the advancement of religion for the public benefit.

In order to achieve our principal objects, we provide a range of activities for our local community and our members. The aim is to show the love of Jesus Christ in word and deed, and to bring people into a closer relationship with Him as their living Lord.

Our activities providing a public benefit specifically include:

- Family-friendly church services, to which all are welcome, with a children's programme and crèche.
- A toddlers' group at the church premises in the town centre
- Foodshare Table in conjunction with the FoodHub
- Small groups for the growth of faith and discipleship.
- A range of regular activities and special events for young people, adults, families and older people including holiday clubs, community meals and social events.
- Working with local schools, colleges and other voluntary groups.
- Supporting, and making our buildings available for use by community groups

Grant Making

The church provides financial support to a number of national and international organisations and activities with aims and objectives compatible with its own charitable purpose including, but not limited to, the Baptist Union Home Mission Fund. The church supports members working in vulnerable communities in the UK and overseas.

Volunteers

All members of the church are encouraged to take an appropriate part in the life of the church and the furtherance of its charitable objects. Many of our activities are delivered by volunteers, including the leadership of the various ministries and helping with practical tasks. It is by working together that we can grow as a community, and engage with the needs of our wider community. Volunteer leaders are accountable to the Trustees and to the Church Meeting.

Achievements and performance

We believe God has called us to be One church with two buildings, both primarily for the benefit of the two different communities with whom we are privileged to work. Throughout the year we have

sought to bring Jesus into the heart of the community, both in the town centre and in the Monkmoor area.

Engaging with the community

Our mission is to engage with the community and share the good news of Jesus.

We have continued to develop excellent relationships with organisations working in both areas, including the local Council, schools and community groups. Examples include:

- We continue to work with Palmers Coffee Shop, a not for profit coffee house in our town centre building
- A parent and toddler group is offered at our Central building
- Music Therapy – support for children and adults with special needs - at Crowmoor
- Activities linked to Shrewsbury Food Hub
- Links with Shrewsbury Street Pastors
- Links with Shrewsbury Youth for Christ
- Links with local schools in the Monkmoor and Belvidere areas
- A team: “Open the Book” provides support for assemblies in local schools
- FAF (Food and Fellowship) group for men

Discipleship and prayer

Our current activities include:

- Regular church services
- Regular Home Groups in various locations
- Various prayer groups.

Governance and Finance

A detailed budget was agreed by church members in April 2024.

Policies

All of the Church policies are subject to regular review by the Trustees.

External mission

- Matthew & Esther Howes continues as supported church missionaries. They are living and working in a Muslim community in the West Midlands under the auspices of WEC.
- Jon and Elise Fletcher continue as supported church missionaries. They and their family have been in Thailand since September 2014 living and working in a slum district of Bangkok under the auspices of Church Mission Society.
- Judy Cook continues as a supported missionary in her work at Hope Home, Chiang Mai, Thailand.
- We have continued to support the Baptist Missionary Society and other missionary organisations.

Conclusion

We have continued to see our church family grow and have welcomed new members this year. Our community events at our Crowmoor building were particularly successful. We still operate on the basis that we are One church with two buildings, primarily for the benefit of the two different communities we serve.

In the year ahead we will continue to explore new ways of bringing Jesus into the heart of the community, both at our Central and Crowmoor buildings. The challenges are enormous – the opportunities equally so.

Financial Review

The Trustees are satisfied that they have sufficient reserves at the Balance Sheet date, together with ongoing income anticipated, to enable the church to function effectively in the coming year. They are committed to achieving a reserves policy which complies with Charity Commission guidelines.

The church's principal source of funding is the regular, personal giving of its members.

The church also receives income from hiring out the buildings for use by community groups not otherwise connected with the church.

The financial results for 2024-2025, together with a summary of the accounting policies adopted, are set out in the financial statements.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

J Evans

Full name(s)

Jenny Evans

Position

Treasurer

Date

23 January 2026

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1133718

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025
FOR
SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

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SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

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SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

TRUSTEES

R Scoulding
Mrs J Evans
Rev G Sinden
Rev N A Price
A J Burns
R Wise
N M Robinson (appointed 29.4.25)
C M Boddy (appointed 29.4.25)

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SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 27 January 2026 and signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Evans', is written on the page.

Mrs J Evans - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Shrewsbury Baptist Church

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Shrewsbury Baptist Church (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2025.

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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 Trust 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.



Francis Nock F.C.C.A

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27 January 2026

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.25 Total funds £	31.3.24 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	83,759	740	84,499	79,564
Other trading activities	3	30,821	-	30,821	55,718
Investment income	4	164	-	164	198
Total		114,744	740	115,484	135,480
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Ministry		58,425	-	58,425	71,708
Mission		10,900	-	10,900	12,420
Establishment		44,423	264	44,687	50,478
Other		2,323	-	2,323	1,536
Total		116,071	264	116,335	136,142
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(1,327)	476	(851)	(662)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		31,983	3,713	35,696	36,358
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		30,656	4,189	34,845	35,696

The notes form part of these financial statements

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

BALANCE SHEET

31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.25 Total funds £	31.3.24 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8	15,334	-	15,334	17,487
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank and in hand		15,322	4,189	19,511	18,209
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>15,322</u>	<u>4,189</u>	<u>19,511</u>	<u>18,209</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>30,656</u>	<u>4,189</u>	<u>34,845</u>	<u>35,696</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>30,656</u>	<u>4,189</u>	<u>34,845</u>	<u>35,696</u>
FUNDS	9				
Unrestricted funds				30,656	31,983
Restricted funds				<u>4,189</u>	<u>3,713</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>34,845</u>	<u>35,696</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 27 January 2026 and were signed on its behalf by:

J. Evans

J Evans - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The accounts are prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

Donations

Donations are accounted for gross when received.

Tax refunds

Gift aid refunds are included when received.

Legacies

Legacies are accounted for when their receipt is certain and can be properly quantified.

Investment income

Investment income is included in the accounts in the year in which it is receivable.

Fund raising and publicity costs

The church does not make formal appeals for funds, and expenditure on these items is therefore not material.

Grants payable

The church makes grants to other organisations whose charitable objects compliments its work. They are accounted for in the year in which they are paid.

Governance costs

This represents direct expenditure on the governance of the church. Most of the management is carried out without charge by volunteers. This intangible cost is not included in the Statement of Financial Activities since there is no measurable cost to the volunteers for their service.

Fixed assets

Furniture and equipment in the church premises is included at cost or net realisable value.

Depreciation

Depreciation on other fixed assets is calculated to write off the cost on a straight line basis over their expected useful life, at the following rates:

Furniture and fittings - 10% straight line

Computers and equipment - 33% straight line

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The church is an employer participating in a pension scheme known as the Baptist Pension Scheme ("the scheme"). The scheme is a separate entity which is administered by the Pension Trustee (Baptist Pension Trust Limited).

The Minister and some members of the church staff are eligible to join the Scheme, which is not contracted out of the State Second Pension.

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Donations	18,343	6,608
Offerings	53,549	49,108
Gift aid	12,607	23,848
	<u>84,499</u>	<u>79,564</u>

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Other trading income	<u>30,821</u>	<u>55,718</u>

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Interest receivable - trading	<u>164</u>	<u>198</u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

The following trustees were paid remuneration for providing services to the charity under employment contracts:

Mrs J Evans: £25,956 (2024: £22,284)
Mrs J James: £Nil (2024: £15,018)
Rev N A Price: £37,174 (2024: £34,218)

No trustees were remunerated for performing their duties as a trustee for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Trustees' expenses

During the year, the following general expenses were reimbursed to trustees:

Mrs J James: £Nil (2024: £650), Mrs J Evans: £1,752 (2024: £624), Rev N A Price: £847 (2024: £325) and Mr R Wise: £15 (2024: £Nil).

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

6. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	31.3.25	31.3.24
Employees	3	4

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	79,014	550	79,564
Other trading activities	55,718	-	55,718
Investment income	198	-	198
Total	134,930	550	135,480
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Ministry	71,708	-	71,708
Mission	12,420	-	12,420
Establishment	49,378	1,100	50,478
Other	1,536	-	1,536
Total	135,042	1,100	136,142
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(112)	(550)	(662)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	32,095	4,263	36,358
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	31,983	3,713	35,696

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2024	20,325	1,940	22,265
Additions	170	-	170
At 31 March 2025	20,495	1,940	22,435
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2024	3,119	1,659	4,778
Charge for year	2,042	281	2,323
At 31 March 2025	5,161	1,940	7,101
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2025	15,334	-	15,334
At 31 March 2024	17,206	281	17,487

9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	31,983	(1,327)	30,656
Restricted funds			
First Tuesday	(149)	476	327
Dementia Cafe	3,862	-	3,862
	3,713	476	4,189
TOTAL FUNDS	35,696	(851)	34,845

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	114,744	(116,071)	(1,327)
Restricted funds			
First Tuesday	740	(264)	476
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>115,484</u>	<u>(116,335)</u>	<u>(851)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	32,095	(112)	31,983
Restricted funds			
First Tuesday	401	(550)	(149)
Dementia Cafe	3,862	-	3,862
	<u>4,263</u>	<u>(550)</u>	<u>3,713</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>36,358</u>	<u>(662)</u>	<u>35,696</u>

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	134,930	(135,042)	(112)
Restricted funds			
First Tuesday	550	(1,100)	(550)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>135,480</u>	<u>(136,142)</u>	<u>(662)</u>

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

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	32,095	(1,439)	30,656
Restricted funds			
First Tuesday	401	(74)	327
Dementia Cafe	<u>3,862</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,862</u>
	<u>4,263</u>	<u>(74)</u>	<u>4,189</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>36,358</u>	<u>(1,513)</u>	<u>34,845</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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 £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	249,674	(251,113)	(1,439)
Restricted funds			
First Tuesday	1,290	(1,364)	(74)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>250,964</u>	<u>(252,477)</u>	<u>(1,513)</u>

10. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The custodian Trustee of the church is the Baptist Union Corporation Limited which is charity number 249635, and which is controlled by the Baptist Union Council. The church is also a member of the Baptist Union of Great Britain, and the Heart of England Baptist Association.

See note 5 for details of trustees expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Included within donations received are the below balances received from trustees:

Rev G Sinden: £2,020
Mrs J Evans: £3,500
Rev N A Price: £4,010
R Scoulding: £2,456
R Wise: £1,870

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	31.3.25 £	31.3.24 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	18,343	6,608
Offerings	53,549	49,108
Gift aid	12,607	23,848
	84,499	79,564
Other trading activities		
Other trading income	30,821	55,718
Investment income		
Interest receivable - trading	164	198
Total incoming resources	115,484	135,480
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	62,350	71,807
Pensions	5,927	8,808
Rates and water	1,786	3,984
Insurance	7,105	6,475
Light and heat	20,917	19,044
Repairs and maintenance	1,261	5,491
Sundries	10,241	15,168
	109,587	130,777
Other		
Fixtures and fittings	2,042	1,014
Computer equipment	281	522
	2,323	1,536
Support costs		
Finance		
Bank charges	295	320
Other		
Telephone	581	481
Postage and stationery	513	472
	1,094	953

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SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	31.3.25 £	31.3.24 £
Other		
Governance costs		
Accountancy	3,036	2,556
Total resources expended	116,335	136,142
Net expenditure	(851)	(662)

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Mrs J Evans - Trustee

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INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	83,759	740	84,499	79,564
Other trading activities	3	30,821	-	30,821	55,718
Investment income	4	164	-	164	198
Total		114,744	740	115,484	135,480
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Ministry		58,425	-	58,425	71,708
Mission		10,900	-	10,900	12,420
Establishment		44,423	264	44,687	50,478
Other		2,323	-	2,323	1,536
Total		116,071	264	116,335	136,142
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(1,327)	476	(851)	(662)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		31,983	3,713	35,696	36,358
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		30,656	4,189	34,845	35,696

The notes form part of these financial statements

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

BALANCE SHEET

31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.25 Total funds £	31.3.24 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8	15,334	-	15,334	17,487
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank and in hand		15,322	4,189	19,511	18,209
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>15,322</u>	<u>4,189</u>	<u>19,511</u>	<u>18,209</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>30,656</u>	<u>4,189</u>	<u>34,845</u>	<u>35,696</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>30,656</u>	<u>4,189</u>	<u>34,845</u>	<u>35,696</u>
FUNDS	9				
Unrestricted funds				30,656	31,983
Restricted funds				<u>4,189</u>	<u>3,713</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>34,845</u>	<u>35,696</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 27 January 2026 and were signed on its behalf by:

J. Evans

J Evans - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The accounts are prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

Donations

Donations are accounted for gross when received.

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Gift aid refunds are included when received.

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Legacies are accounted for when their receipt is certain and can be properly quantified.

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Investment income is included in the accounts in the year in which it is receivable.

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This represents direct expenditure on the governance of the church. Most of the management is carried out without charge by volunteers. This intangible cost is not included in the Statement of Financial Activities since there is no measurable cost to the volunteers for their service.

Fixed assets

Furniture and equipment in the church premises is included at cost or net realisable value.

Depreciation

Depreciation on other fixed assets is calculated to write off the cost on a straight line basis over their expected useful life, at the following rates:

Furniture and fittings	- 10% straight line
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Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The church is an employer participating in a pension scheme known as the Baptist Pension Scheme ("the scheme"). The scheme is a separate entity which is administered by the Pension Trustee (Baptist Pension Trust Limited).

The Minister and some members of the church staff are eligible to join the Scheme, which is not contracted out of the State Second Pension.

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Donations	18,343	6,608
Offerings	53,549	49,108
Gift aid	12,607	23,848
	<u>84,499</u>	<u>79,564</u>

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Other trading income	<u>30,821</u>	<u>55,718</u>

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.3.25	31.3.24
	£	£
Interest receivable - trading	<u>164</u>	<u>198</u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

The following trustees were paid remuneration for providing services to the charity under employment contracts:

Mrs J Evans: £25,956 (2024: £22,284)
Mrs J James: £Nil (2024: £15,018)
Rev N A Price: £37,174 (2024: £34,218)

No trustees were remunerated for performing their duties as a trustee for the year ended 31 March 2025 nor for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Trustees' expenses

During the year, the following general expenses were reimbursed to trustees:

Mrs J James: £Nil (2024: £650), Mrs J Evans: £1,752 (2024: £624), Rev N A Price: £847 (2024: £325) and Mr R Wise: £15 (2024: £Nil).

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

6. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	31.3.25	31.3.24
Employees	3	4

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	79,014	550	79,564
Other trading activities	55,718	-	55,718
Investment income	198	-	198
Total	134,930	550	135,480
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Ministry	71,708	-	71,708
Mission	12,420	-	12,420
Establishment	49,378	1,100	50,478
Other	1,536	-	1,536
Total	135,042	1,100	136,142
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(112)	(550)	(662)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	32,095	4,263	36,358
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	31,983	3,713	35,696

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2024	20,325	1,940	22,265
Additions	170	-	170
At 31 March 2025	20,495	1,940	22,435
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2024	3,119	1,659	4,778
Charge for year	2,042	281	2,323
At 31 March 2025	5,161	1,940	7,101
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2025	15,334	-	15,334
At 31 March 2024	17,206	281	17,487

9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.24 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	31,983	(1,327)	30,656
Restricted funds			
First Tuesday			
	(149)	476	327
Dementia Cafe	3,862	-	3,862
	3,713	476	4,189
TOTAL FUNDS	35,696	(851)	34,845

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	114,744	(116,071)	(1,327)
Restricted funds			
First Tuesday	740	(264)	476
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>115,484</u>	<u>(116,335)</u>	<u>(851)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	32,095	(112)	31,983
Restricted funds			
First Tuesday	401	(550)	(149)
Dementia Cafe	3,862	-	3,862
	<u>4,263</u>	<u>(550)</u>	<u>3,713</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>36,358</u>	<u>(662)</u>	<u>35,696</u>

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	134,930	(135,042)	(112)
Restricted funds			
First Tuesday	550	(1,100)	(550)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>135,480</u>	<u>(136,142)</u>	<u>(662)</u>

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

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.25 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	32,095	(1,439)	30,656
Restricted funds			
First Tuesday	401	(74)	327
Dementia Cafe	<u>3,862</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,862</u>
	<u>4,263</u>	<u>(74)</u>	<u>4,189</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>36,358</u>	<u>(1,513)</u>	<u>34,845</u>

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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 £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	249,674	(251,113)	(1,439)
Restricted funds			
First Tuesday	1,290	(1,364)	(74)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>250,964</u>	<u>(252,477)</u>	<u>(1,513)</u>

10. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The custodian Trustee of the church is the Baptist Union Corporation Limited which is charity number 249635, and which is controlled by the Baptist Union Council. The church is also a member of the Baptist Union of Great Britain, and the Heart of England Baptist Association.

See note 5 for details of trustees expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Included within donations received are the below balances received from trustees:

Rev G Sinden: £2,020
Mrs J Evans: £3,500
Rev N A Price: £4,010
R Scoulding: £2,456
R Wise: £1,870

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	31.3.25 £	31.3.24 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	18,343	6,608
Offerings	53,549	49,108
Gift aid	12,607	23,848
	84,499	79,564
Other trading activities		
Other trading income	30,821	55,718
Investment income		
Interest receivable - trading	164	198
Total incoming resources	115,484	135,480
 EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	62,350	71,807
Pensions	5,927	8,808
Rates and water	1,786	3,984
Insurance	7,105	6,475
Light and heat	20,917	19,044
Repairs and maintenance	1,261	5,491
Sundries	10,241	15,168
	109,587	130,777
Other		
Fixtures and fittings	2,042	1,014
Computer equipment	281	522
	2,323	1,536
Support costs		
Finance		
Bank charges	295	320
Other		
Telephone	581	481
Postage and stationery	513	472
	1,094	953

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SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	31.3.25 £	31.3.24 £
Other		
Governance costs		
Accountancy	3,036	2,556
Total resources expended	116,335	136,142
Net expenditure	(851)	(662)

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SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1133718

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report 1 April 2023 – 31 March 2024

Charity Number: 1133718

Trustees

Trustee Name	Office	Dates acted if not for whole year	Appointed by
Rev Nick Price	Minister		Church Meeting
Tony Burns	Safeguarding Trustee		Church Meeting
Robin Scoulding	Secretary		Church Meeting
Jenny Evans	Treasurer		Church Meeting
Robert Wise			Church Meeting
Graham Sinden			Church Meeting

Name and addresses of advisers

Bankers	Barclays Bank	Barclays, Leicester, LE87 2BB
Solicitors	Anthony Collins	143 Edmund Street, Birmingham, B3 2ES
Accountants & Auditors	D.R.E & Co	Kingsland House, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury, SY2 6BL

Description of the charity's trusts

Trust constitution is based upon the Baptist Union Corporation Constitution for Baptist Churches.

The Constitution was adopted on 12 November 2009.

Charity Trustees are elected at a Church Meeting from among the membership of the Church.

Governance

Direction and leadership of the church is provided by a Leadership Team comprising the Minister, the Associate Minister (if any) and the other Trustees.

The Charity Trustees are accountable to the Church Meeting which comprises all members of the church. Church meetings are held four times each year.

The number of Charity Trustees is determined by the Church Meeting which, on 12 November 2009, decided that there should be no fewer than two Trustees and, on 6 November 2011, decided that there should be no more than seven Trustees (in addition to the Ministers).

The staff of the Church includes the Minister and other paid staff including an Operations Manager and a cleaner.

The Church is a member of the Baptist Union and the Heart of England Baptist Association.

Objectives and activities

The principal purpose of the Church is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination. The Church may also advance education and carry out other charitable purposes in the United Kingdom and/or other parts of the world.

The Trustees have read and are mindful of the Charity Commission's guidance on the public benefit including the specific guidance on the advancement of religion for the public benefit.

In order to achieve our principal objects, we provide a range of activities for our local community and our members. The aim is to show the love of Jesus Christ in word and deed, and to bring people into a closer relationship with Him as their living Lord.

Our activities providing a public benefit specifically include:

- Family-friendly church services, to which all are welcome, with a children's programme and crèche.
- A toddlers' group at the church premises in the town centre
- Foodshare Table in conjunction with the FoodHub
- Small groups for the growth of faith and discipleship.
- A range of regular activities and special events for young people, adults, families and older people including holiday clubs, community meals and social events.
- Working with local schools, colleges and other voluntary groups.
- Supporting, and making our buildings available for use by community groups

Grant Making

The church provides financial support to a number of national and international organisations and activities with aims and objectives compatible with its own charitable purpose including, but not limited to, the Baptist Union Home Mission Fund. The church supports members working in vulnerable communities in the UK and overseas.

Volunteers

All members of the church are encouraged to take an appropriate part in the life of the church and the furtherance of its charitable objects. Many of our activities are delivered by volunteers, including the leadership of the various ministries and helping with practical tasks. It is by working together that we can grow as a community, and engage with the needs of our wider community. Volunteer leaders are accountable to the Trustees and to the Church Meeting.

Achievements and performance

We believe God has called us to be One church with two buildings, both primarily for the benefit of the two different communities with whom we are privileged to work. Throughout the year we have sought to bring Jesus into the heart of the community, both in the town centre and in the Monkmoor area.

Engaging with the community

Our mission is to engage with the community and share the good news of Jesus.

We have continued to develop excellent relationships with organisations working in both areas, including the local Council, schools and community groups. Examples include:

- We continue to work with Palmers Coffee Shop, a not for profit coffee house in our town centre building
- Music Therapy – support for children and adults with special needs - at Crowmoor
- Activities linked to Shrewsbury Food Hub
- Links with Shrewsbury Street Pastors
- Links with Shrewsbury Youth for Christ
- Links with local schools in the Monkmoor and Belvidere areas
- A team: “Open the Book” provides support for assemblies in local schools
- FAF (Food and Fellowship) group for men

Discipleship and prayer

Our current activities include:

- Regular church services
- Regular Home Groups in various locations
- Various prayer groups.

Governance and Finance

A detailed budget was agreed by church members in April 2023.

Policies

All of the Church policies are subject to regular review by the Trustees.

External mission

- Matthew & Esther Howes continues as supported church missionaries. They are living and working in a Muslim community in the West Midlands under the auspices of WEC.
- Jon and Elise Fletcher continue as supported church missionaries. They and their family have been in Thailand since September 2014 living and working in a slum district of Bangkok under the auspices of Church Mission Society.
- Judy Cook continues as a supported missionary in her work at Hope Home, Chiang Mai, Thailand.
- We have continued to support the Baptist Missionary Society and other missionary organisations.

Conclusion

We have continued to see our church family grow and have welcomed new members this year. Our community events at our Crowmoor building were particularly successful. We still operate on

the basis that we are One church with two buildings, primarily for the benefit of the two different communities we serve.

In the year ahead we will continue to explore new ways of bringing Jesus into the heart of the community, both at our Central and Crowmoor buildings. The challenges are enormous – the opportunities equally so.

Financial Review

The Trustees are satisfied that they have sufficient reserves at the Balance Sheet date, together with ongoing income anticipated, to enable the church to function effectively in the coming year. They are committed to achieving a reserves policy which complies with Charity Commission guidelines.

The church’s principal source of funding is the regular, personal giving of its members.

The church also receives income from hiring out the buildings for use by community groups not otherwise connected with the church.

The financial results for 2023-2024, together with a summary of the accounting policies adopted, are set out in the financial statements.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees’ report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity’s trustees

Signature(s)	J Evans	R Scoulding
Full name(s)	Jenny Evans	Rob Scoulding
Position	Treasurer	Secretary

Date	18 January 2025
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REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1133718

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024
FOR
SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

D.R.E. & Co. (Audit) Limited
Kingsland House
39 Abbey Foregate
Shrewsbury
Shropshire
SY2 6BL

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

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SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

TRUSTEES	G Day (resigned 23.3.24) R Scoulding Mrs D E Cowburn (resigned 18.4.23) Mrs J James (resigned 16.7.24) Mrs J Evans Rev G Sinden Rev N A Price A J Burns Trustee (appointed 18.4.23) R Wise Trustee (appointed 18.4.23)
PRINCIPAL ADDRESS	Crowmere Road Shrewsbury Shropshire SY2 5JJ
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER	1133718
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	D.R.E. & Co. (Audit) Limited Kingsland House 39 Abbey Foregate Shrewsbury Shropshire SY2 6BL

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 5 December 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Trustee

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

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Shrewsbury Baptist Church

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Shrewsbury Baptist Church (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2024.

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').

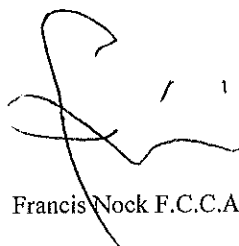
I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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 Trust 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.



Francis Nock F.C.C.A

D.R.E. & Co. (Audit) Limited
Kingsland House
39 Abbey Foregate
Shrewsbury
Shropshire
SY2 6BL

5 December 2024

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

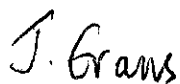
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INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	79,014	550	79,564	67,496
Other trading activities	3	55,718	-	55,718	34,149
Investment income	4	198	-	198	60
Total		134,930	550	135,480	101,705
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Ministry		71,708	-	71,708	63,615
Mission		12,420	-	12,420	13,357
Establishment		49,378	1,100	50,478	47,944
Other		1,536	-	1,536	1,199
Total		135,042	1,100	136,142	126,115
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(112)	(550)	(662)	(24,410)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		32,095	4,263	36,358	60,768
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		31,983	3,713	35,696	36,358

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SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**BALANCE SHEET**
31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.24 Total funds £	31.3.23 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8	17,487	-	17,487	7,203
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank and in hand		14,496	3,713	18,209	29,155
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>14,496</u>	<u>3,713</u>	<u>18,209</u>	<u>29,155</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>31,983</u>	<u>3,713</u>	<u>35,696</u>	<u>36,358</u>
NET ASSETS		<u><u>31,983</u></u>	<u><u>3,713</u></u>	<u><u>35,696</u></u>	<u><u>36,358</u></u>
FUNDS	9				
Unrestricted funds				31,983	32,095
Restricted funds				<u>3,713</u>	<u>4,263</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u><u>35,696</u></u>	<u><u>36,358</u></u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 5 December 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:



J Evans - Trustee

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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Depreciation

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SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

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

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Donations	6,608	20,249
Offerings	49,108	47,247
Gift aid	23,848	-
	<u>79,564</u>	<u>67,496</u>

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Other trading income	<u>55,718</u>	<u>34,149</u>

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.3.24	31.3.23
	£	£
Interest receivable - trading	<u>198</u>	<u>60</u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

The following trustees were paid remuneration for providing services to the charity under employment contracts:

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6. STAFF COSTS

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Employees	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024****7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	66,470	1,026	67,496
Other trading activities	34,149	-	34,149
Investment income	60	-	60
Total	<u>100,679</u>	<u>1,026</u>	<u>101,705</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Ministry	63,062	553	63,615
Mission	13,357	-	13,357
Establishment	47,750	194	47,944
Other	1,199	-	1,199
Total	<u>125,368</u>	<u>747</u>	<u>126,115</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(24,689)	279	(24,410)
Transfers between funds	9,604	(9,604)	-
Net movement in funds	<u>(15,085)</u>	<u>(9,325)</u>	<u>(24,410)</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	47,180	13,588	60,768
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>32,095</u>	<u>4,263</u>	<u>36,358</u>

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
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Additions	11,820	-	11,820
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 1.4.23 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	32,095	(112)	31,983
Restricted funds			
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Dementia Cafe	3,862	-	3,862
	<u>4,263</u>	<u>(550)</u>	<u>3,713</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>36,358</u>	<u>(662)</u>	<u>35,696</u>

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

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Other trading income	55,718	34,149
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Interest receivable - trading	198	60
Total incoming resources	135,480	101,705
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	130,777	120,459
 Other		
Fixtures and fittings	1,014	677
Computer equipment	522	522
	1,536	1,199
 Support costs		
 Finance		
Bank charges	320	320
 Other		
Telephone	481	1,125
Postage and stationery	472	372
	953	1,497
 Governance costs		
Accountancy	2,556	2,640

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SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

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REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1133718

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024
FOR
SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

D.R.E. & Co. (Audit) Limited
Kingsland House
39 Abbey Foregate
Shrewsbury
Shropshire
SY2 6BL

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

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SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

TRUSTEES	G Day (resigned 23.3.24) R Scoulding Mrs D E Cowburn (resigned 18.4.23) Mrs J James (resigned 16.7.24) Mrs J Evans Rev G Sinden Rev N A Price A J Burns Trustee (appointed 18.4.23) R Wise Trustee (appointed 18.4.23)
PRINCIPAL ADDRESS	Crowmere Road Shrewsbury Shropshire SY2 5JJ
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER	1133718
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	D.R.E. & Co. (Audit) Limited Kingsland House 39 Abbey Foregate Shrewsbury Shropshire SY2 6BL

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 5 December 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Trustee

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

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Shrewsbury Baptist Church

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Shrewsbury Baptist Church (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2024.

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').

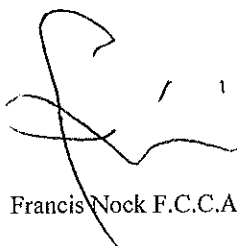
I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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 Trust 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.



Francis Nock F.C.C.A

D.R.E. & Co. (Audit) Limited
Kingsland House
39 Abbey Foregate
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5 December 2024

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

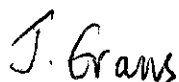
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INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	79,014	550	79,564	67,496
Other trading activities	3	55,718	-	55,718	34,149
Investment income	4	198	-	198	60
Total		134,930	550	135,480	101,705
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Ministry		71,708	-	71,708	63,615
Mission		12,420	-	12,420	13,357
Establishment		49,378	1,100	50,478	47,944
Other		1,536	-	1,536	1,199
Total		135,042	1,100	136,142	126,115
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(112)	(550)	(662)	(24,410)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		32,095	4,263	36,358	60,768
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		31,983	3,713	35,696	36,358

The notes form part of these financial statements

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**BALANCE SHEET**
31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.24 Total funds £	31.3.23 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8	17,487	-	17,487	7,203
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank and in hand		14,496	3,713	18,209	29,155
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>14,496</u>	<u>3,713</u>	<u>18,209</u>	<u>29,155</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>31,983</u>	<u>3,713</u>	<u>35,696</u>	<u>36,358</u>
NET ASSETS		<u><u>31,983</u></u>	<u><u>3,713</u></u>	<u><u>35,696</u></u>	<u><u>36,358</u></u>
FUNDS	9				
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The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 5 December 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:



J Evans - Trustee

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The accounts are prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

Donations

Donations are accounted for gross when received.

Tax refunds

Gift aid refunds are included when received.

Legacies

Legacies are accounted for when their receipt is certain and can be properly quantified.

Investment income

Investment income is included in the accounts in the year in which it is receivable.

Fund raising and publicity costs

The church does not make formal appeals for funds, and expenditure on these items is therefore not material.

Grants payable

The church makes grants to other organisations whose charitable objects compliments its work. They are accounted for in the year in which they are paid.

Governance costs

This represents direct expenditure on the governance of the church. Most of the management is carried out without charge by volunteers. This intangible cost is not included in the Statement of Financial Activities since there is no measurable cost to the volunteers for their service.

Fixed assets

Furniture and equipment in the church premises is included at cost or net realisable value.

Depreciation

Depreciation on other fixed assets is calculated to write off the cost on a straight line basis over their expected useful life, at the following rates:

Furniture and fittings	- 10% straight line
Computers and equipment	- 33% straight line

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The church is an employer participating in a pension scheme known as the Baptist Pension Scheme ("the scheme"). The scheme is a separate entity which is administered by the Pension Trustee (Baptist Pension Trust Limited).

The Minister and some members of the church staff are eligible to join the Scheme, which is not contracted out of the State Second Pension.

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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Fixtures and fittings	1,014	677
Computer equipment	522	522
	1,536	1,199
 Support costs		
 Finance		
Bank charges	320	320
 Other		
Telephone	481	1,125
Postage and stationery	472	372
	953	1,497
 Governance costs		
Accountancy	2,556	2,640

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SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	31.3.24 £	31.3.23 £
Total resources expended	<u>136,142</u>	<u>126,115</u>
Net expenditure	<u>(662)</u>	<u>(24,410)</u>

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report 1 April 2022 – 31 March 2023

Charity Number: 1133718

Trustees

Trustee Name	Office	Dates acted if not for whole year	Appointed by
Rev Nick Price	Minister	1 May 2022 – 31 March 2023	Church Meeting
Geoff Day	Safeguarding Trustee		Church Meeting
Robin Scoulding	Secretary		Church Meeting
Liz Cowburn		1 April 2022 – 18 April 2023	Church Meeting
Jenny Evans	Treasurer		Church Meeting
Jude James			Church Meeting
Graham Sinden			Church Meeting

Name and addresses of advisers

Bankers	Barclays Bank	Barclays, Leicester, LE87 2BB
Solicitors	Anthony Collins	143 Edmund Street, Birmingham, B3 2ES
Accountants & Auditors	DRE & Co	6 Claremont Buildings, Claremont Bank, Shrewsbury, SY1 1RJ
Architects	Howl Associates	10 Park Plaza, Battlefield Enterprise Park, Shrewsbury, SY1 1RJ

Description of the charity's trusts

Trust constitution is based upon the Baptist Union Corporation Constitution for Baptist Churches. The Constitution was adopted on 12 November 2009.

Charity Trustees are elected at a Church Meeting from among the membership of the Church.

Governance

Direction and leadership of the church is provided by a Leadership Team comprising the Minister and the other Trustees.

The Charity Trustees are accountable to the Church Meeting which comprises all members of the church. Church meetings are held four times each year.

The number of Charity Trustees is determined by the Church Meeting which, on 12 November 2009, decided that there should be no fewer than two Trustees and, on 6 November 2011, decided that there should be no more than seven Trustees (in addition to the Ministers).

The staff of the Church includes the Minister and other paid staff including managers for the Central and Crowmoor buildings and a cleaner.

The Church is a member of the Baptist Union and the Heart of England Baptist Association.

Objectives and activities

The principal purpose of the Church is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination. The Church may also advance education and carry out other charitable purposes in the United Kingdom and/or other parts of the world.

The Trustees have read and are mindful of the Charity Commission's guidance on the public benefit including the specific guidance on the advancement of religion for the public benefit.

In order to achieve our principal objects, we provide a range of activities for our local community and our members. The aim is to show the love of Jesus Christ in word and deed, and to bring people into a closer relationship with Him as their living Lord.

Our activities providing a public benefit specifically include:

- Family-friendly church services, to which all are welcome, with a children's programme and crèche.
- Toddlers' groups, both at the church premises and in the town centre
- Foodshare Table in conjunction with the FoodHub
- Small groups for the growth of faith and discipleship.
- A range of regular activities and special events for young people, adults, families and older people including holiday clubs, community meals and social events.
- Working with local schools, colleges and other voluntary groups.
- Supporting, and making our buildings available for use by community groups

Grant Making

The church provides financial support to a number of national and international organisations and activities with aims and objectives compatible with its own charitable purpose including, but not limited to, the Baptist Union Home Mission Fund. The church supports members working in needy communities in the UK and overseas.

Volunteers

All members of the church are encouraged to take an appropriate part in the life of the church and the furtherance of its charitable objects. Many of our activities are delivered by volunteers, including the leadership of the various ministries and helping with practical tasks. It is by working together that we can grow as a community, and engage with the needs of our wider community. Volunteer leaders are accountable to the Trustees and to the Church Meeting.

Achievements and performance

We believe God has called us to be One church with two buildings, both primarily for the benefit of the two different communities with whom we are privileged to work. Throughout the year we have sought to bring Jesus into the heart of the community, both in the town centre and in the Monkmoor area.

Engaging with the community

Our mission is to re-engage with the community.

We have continued to develop excellent relationships with organisations working in both areas, including the local Council, schools and community groups. Examples include:

- We continue to liaise with and assist the community-focused coffee shop, “Palmers” in our town centre building.
- Music Therapy – support for children and adults with special needs - at Crowmoor
- Activities linked to Shrewsbury Food Hub
- Links with Shrewsbury Street Pastors
- Links with Shrewsbury Youth for Christ
- A team: “Open the Book” provides support for assemblies.
- FAF (Food and Fellowship) group for men

Discipleship and prayer

Our current activities include:

- Regular church services
- Regular Home Groups in various locations
- Various prayer groups.

Governance and Finance

A detailed budget was agreed by church members in April 2022.

Policies

All of the Church policies are subject to regular review by the Trustees.

External mission

- Matthew & Esther Howes continues as supported church missionaries. They are living and working in a Muslim community in the West Midlands under the auspices of WEC.
- Jon and Elise Fletcher continue as supported church missionaries. They and their family have been in Thailand since September 2014 living and working in a slum district of Bangkok under the auspices of Urban Neighbours of Hope.
- Judy Cook continues as a supported missionary in her work at Hope Home, Chiang Mai, Thailand.
- We have continued to support the Baptist Missionary Society and other missionary organisations.

Conclusion

In May 2022, the Church welcomed a new minister, Rev Nick Price. Many of our activities restarted too after the pandemic within the church and our local communities. Community events at our Crowmoor building were particularly successful. We still operate on the basis that we are One church with Two buildings, primarily for the benefit of the two different communities we serve.

In the year ahead we will continue to explore new ways of bringing Jesus into the heart of the community, both at our Central and Crowmoor buildings. The challenges are enormous – the opportunities equally so.

Financial Review

The Trustees are satisfied that they have sufficient reserves at the Balance Sheet date, together with ongoing income anticipated, to enable the church to function effectively in the coming year. They are committed to achieving a reserves policy which complies with Charity Commission guidelines.

The church's principal source of funding is the regular, personal giving of its members.

The church also receives income from hiring out the Crowmoor and Central buildings for use by community groups not otherwise connected with the church.

The financial results for 2022-2023, together with a summary of the accounting policies adopted, are set out in the financial statements.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	J Evans	R Scoulding
Full name(s)	Jenny Evans	Rob Scoulding
Position	Treasurer	Secretary

Date

24 January 2024

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023
FOR
SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

D.R.E. & Co. (Audit) Limited
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SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

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SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
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TRUSTEES

G Day
R Scoulding
Mrs D E Cowburn (resigned 18.4.23)
Mrs J James
Mrs J Evans
Rev G Sinden
Rev N A Price (appointed 1.5.22)
A J Burns (appointed 18.4.23)
R Wise (appointed 18.4.23)

PRINCIPAL ADDRESS

Crowmere Road
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**REGISTERED CHARITY
NUMBER**

1133718

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Shrewsbury Baptist Church

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Shrewsbury Baptist Church (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 Trust 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.



Francis Nock F.C.C.A

D.R.E. & Co. (Audit) Limited
Kingsland House
39 Abbey Foregate
Shrewsbury
Shropshire
SY2 6BL

Date: 26 January 2024

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.23 Total funds £	31.3.22 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	66,470	1,026	67,496	79,166
Other trading activities	3	34,149	-	34,149	35,263
Investment income	4	60	-	60	34
Total		100,679	1,026	101,705	114,463
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Ministry		63,062	553	63,615	32,325
Mission		13,357	-	13,357	14,857
Establishment		47,750	194	47,944	36,354
Other		1,199	-	1,199	569
Total		125,368	747	126,115	84,105
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(24,689)	279	(24,410)	30,358
Transfers between funds	12	9,604	(9,604)	-	-
Net movement in funds		(15,085)	(9,325)	(24,410)	30,358
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		47,180	13,588	60,768	30,410
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		32,084	4,263	36,358	60,768

The notes form part of these financial statements

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**BALANCE SHEET**
31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.23 Total funds £	31.3.22 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8	7,203	-	7,203	2,656
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank and in hand		24,892	4,263	29,155	58,200
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	9	-	-	-	(88)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>24,892</u>	<u>4,263</u>	<u>29,155</u>	<u>58,112</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>32,095</u>	<u>4,263</u>	<u>36,358</u>	<u>60,768</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>32,095</u>	<u>4,263</u>	<u>36,358</u>	<u>60,768</u>
FUNDS	11				
Unrestricted funds				32,095	47,180
Restricted funds				<u>4,263</u>	<u>13,588</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>36,358</u>	<u>60,768</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 26 January 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:



J Evans - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The accounts are prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

Donations

Donations are accounted for gross when received.

Tax refunds

Gift aid refunds are included when received.

Legacies

Legacies are accounted for when their receipt is certain and can be properly quantified.

Investment income

Investment income is included in the accounts in the year in which it is receivable.

Fund raising and publicity costs

The church does not make formal appeals for funds, and expenditure on these items is therefore not material.

Grants payable

The church makes grants to other organisations whose charitable objects compliments its work. They are accounted for in the year in which they are paid.

Governance costs

This represents direct expenditure on the governance of the church. Most of the management is carried out without charge by volunteers. This intangible cost is not included in the Statement of Financial Activities since there is no measurable cost to the volunteers for their service.

Fixed assets

Furniture and equipment in the church premises is included at cost or net realisable value.

Depreciation

Depreciation on other fixed assets is calculated to write off the cost on a straight line basis over their expected useful life, at the following rates:

Furniture and fittings	- 10% straight line
Computers and equipment	- 33% straight line

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The church is an employer participating in a pension scheme known as the Baptist Pension Scheme ("the scheme"). The scheme is a separate entity which is administered by the Pension Trustee (Baptist Pension Trust Limited).

The Minister and some members of the church staff are eligible to join the Scheme, which is not contracted out of the State Second Pension.

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Donations	20,249	12,239
Offerings	47,247	47,399
Tax refunds	-	9,325
Grants- CJRS	-	<u>10,203</u>
	<u>67,496</u>	<u>79,166</u>

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Other trading income	<u>34,149</u>	<u>35,263</u>

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Interest receivable - trading	<u>60</u>	<u>34</u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

The following trustees were paid remuneration for providing services to the charity under employment contracts:

Mrs J Evans: £21,677 (2022: £17,109)

Mrs J James: £20,490 (2022: £19,313)

Rev N A Price: £29,314 (2022: £nil)

No trustees were remunerated for performing their duties as a trustee for the year ended 31 March 2023 nor for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Trustees' expenses

During the year, the following general expenses were reimbursed to trustees:

Mrs D E Cowburn: £40 (2022: £nil), Mrs J James: £372 (2022: £1,086), Mrs J Evans: £1,761 (2022: £2,273), Mr R Scoulding £nil (2022: £101), Rev N A Price: £4,047 (2022: £nil) and Rev G Sinden: £157 (2022: £nil).

6. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	31.3.23	31.3.22
Employees	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023****7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	78,235	931	79,166
Other trading activities	35,263	-	35,263
Investment income	<u>34</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>34</u>
Total	<u>113,532</u>	<u>931</u>	<u>114,463</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Ministry	30,453	1,872	32,325
Mission	14,857	-	14,857
Establishment	35,769	585	36,354
Other	<u>569</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>569</u>
Total	<u>81,648</u>	<u>2,457</u>	<u>84,105</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	31,884	(1,526)	30,358
Transfers between funds	<u>(1,672)</u>	<u>1,672</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds	30,212	146	30,358
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	<u>16,968</u>	<u>13,442</u>	<u>30,410</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>47,180</u>	<u>13,588</u>	<u>60,768</u>

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2022	3,309	1,390	4,699
Additions	<u>5,196</u>	<u>550</u>	<u>5,746</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>8,505</u>	<u>1,940</u>	<u>10,445</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2022	1,428	615	2,043
Charge for year	<u>677</u>	<u>522</u>	<u>1,199</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>2,105</u>	<u>1,137</u>	<u>3,242</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2023	<u>6,400</u>	<u>803</u>	<u>7,203</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>1,881</u>	<u>775</u>	<u>2,656</u>

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts (see note 10)	<u>-</u>	<u>88</u>

10. LOANS

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Bank loans	<u>-</u>	<u>88</u>

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.23 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	47,180	(24,689)	9,604	32,095
Restricted funds				
Mission Giving	218	-	(218)	-
Home Mission	25	-	(25)	-
Romanian Orphanage	24	-	(24)	-
Senior Moments Event	915	-	(915)	-
First Tuesday	122	279	-	401
Gift Day	2,322	-	(2,322)	-
Mike Breeze Legacy	6,100	-	(6,100)	-
Dementia Cafe	<u>3,862</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,862</u>
	<u>13,588</u>	<u>279</u>	<u>(9,604)</u>	<u>4,263</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>60,768</u>	<u>(24,410)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>36,358</u>

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	100,679	(125,368)	(24,689)
Restricted funds			
First Tuesday	1,026	(747)	279
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>101,705</u>	<u>(126,115)</u>	<u>(24,410)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.21 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.22 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	16,968	31,884	(1,672)	47,180
Restricted funds				
Mission Giving	218	-	-	218
Home Mission	-	25	-	25
Romanian Orphanage	24	-	-	24
Senior Moments Event	915	-	-	915
First Tuesday	91	31	-	122
Gift Day	2,322	-	-	2,322
Mike Breeze Legacy	6,100	-	-	6,100
Jon & Elsie Fletcher	-	(1,672)	1,672	-
Dementia Cafe	3,772	90	-	3,862
	13,442	(1,526)	1,672	13,588
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>30,410</u>	<u>30,358</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>60,768</u>

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	113,532	(81,648)	31,884
Restricted funds			
Home Mission	25	-	25
First Tuesday	616	(585)	31
Jon & Elsie Fletcher	200	(1,872)	(1,672)
Dementia Cafe	90	-	90
	<u>931</u>	<u>(2,457)</u>	<u>(1,526)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>114,463</u>	<u>(84,105)</u>	<u>30,358</u>

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

	At 1.4.21 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.23 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	16,968	7,195	7,932	32,095
Restricted funds				
Mission Giving	218	-	(218)	-
Home Mission	-	25	(25)	-
Romanian Orphanage	24	-	(24)	-
Senior Moments Event	915	-	(915)	-
First Tuesday	91	310	-	401
Gift Day	2,322	-	(2,322)	-
Mike Breeze Legacy	6,100	-	(6,100)	-
Jon & Elsie Fletcher	-	(1,672)	1,672	-
Dementia Cafe	<u>3,772</u>	<u>90</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,862</u>
	<u>13,442</u>	<u>(1,247)</u>	<u>(7,932)</u>	<u>4,263</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>30,410</u>	<u>5,948</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>36,358</u>

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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 £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	214,211	(207,016)	7,195
Restricted funds			
Home Mission	25	-	25
First Tuesday	1,642	(1,332)	310
Jon & Elsie Fletcher	200	(1,872)	(1,672)
Dementia Cafe	90	-	90
	<u>1,957</u>	<u>(3,204)</u>	<u>(1,247)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>216,168</u>	<u>(210,220)</u>	<u>5,948</u>

13. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The custodian Trustee of the church is the Baptist Union Corporation Limited which is charity number 249635, and which is controlled by the Baptist Union Council. The church is also a member of the Baptist Union of Great Britain, and the Heart of England Baptist Association.

See note 5 for details of trustees expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2023.

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	31.3.23 £	31.3.22 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	20,249	12,239
Offerings	47,247	47,399
Tax refunds	-	9,325
Grants- CJRS	-	10,203
	67,496	79,166
Other trading activities		
Other trading income	34,149	35,263
Investment income		
Interest receivable - trading	60	34
Total incoming resources	102,532	114,463
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	66,795	34,619
Pensions	5,364	6,053
Rates and water	1,458	1,120
Insurance	5,538	5,565
Light and heat	17,158	5,201
Repairs and maintenance	3,572	4,222
Sundries	20,574	22,588
	120,459	79,368
Other		
Fixtures and fittings	677	314
Computer equipment	522	255
	1,199	569
Support costs		
Finance		
Bank charges	320	243
Other		
Telephone	1,125	1,063
Postage and stationery	372	678
	1,497	1,741
Governance costs		
Accountancy	2,640	2,184

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SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	31.3.23 <u>£</u>	31.3.22 <u>£</u>
Total resources expended	<u>126,115</u>	<u>84,105</u>
Net (expenditure)/income	<u>(24,410)</u>	<u>30,358</u>

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

TRUSTEES

G Day
R Scoulding
Mrs D E Cowburn (resigned 18.4.23)
Mrs J James
Mrs J Evans
Rev G Sinden
Rev N A Price (appointed 1.5.22)
A J Burns (appointed 18.4.23)
R Wise (appointed 18.4.23)

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NUMBER**

1133718

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Shrewsbury Baptist Church

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Shrewsbury Baptist Church (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 Trust 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.



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Date: 26 January 2024

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.23 Total funds £	31.3.22 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	66,470	1,026	67,496	79,166
Other trading activities	3	34,149	-	34,149	35,263
Investment income	4	60	-	60	34
Total		100,679	1,026	101,705	114,463
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Ministry		63,062	553	63,615	32,325
Mission		13,357	-	13,357	14,857
Establishment		47,750	194	47,944	36,354
Other		1,199	-	1,199	569
Total		125,368	747	126,115	84,105
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(24,689)	279	(24,410)	30,358
Transfers between funds	12	9,604	(9,604)	-	-
Net movement in funds		(15,085)	(9,325)	(24,410)	30,358
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		47,180	13,588	60,768	30,410
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		32,084	4,263	36,358	60,768

The notes form part of these financial statements

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**BALANCE SHEET**
31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.23 Total funds £	31.3.22 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8	7,203	-	7,203	2,656
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash at bank and in hand		24,892	4,263	29,155	58,200
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	9	-	-	-	(88)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>24,892</u>	<u>4,263</u>	<u>29,155</u>	<u>58,112</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>32,095</u>	<u>4,263</u>	<u>36,358</u>	<u>60,768</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>32,095</u>	<u>4,263</u>	<u>36,358</u>	<u>60,768</u>
FUNDS	11				
Unrestricted funds				32,095	47,180
Restricted funds				<u>4,263</u>	<u>13,588</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>36,358</u>	<u>60,768</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 26 January 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:



J Evans - Trustee

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The accounts are prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

Donations

Donations are accounted for gross when received.

Tax refunds

Gift aid refunds are included when received.

Legacies

Legacies are accounted for when their receipt is certain and can be properly quantified.

Investment income

Investment income is included in the accounts in the year in which it is receivable.

Fund raising and publicity costs

The church does not make formal appeals for funds, and expenditure on these items is therefore not material.

Grants payable

The church makes grants to other organisations whose charitable objects compliments its work. They are accounted for in the year in which they are paid.

Governance costs

This represents direct expenditure on the governance of the church. Most of the management is carried out without charge by volunteers. This intangible cost is not included in the Statement of Financial Activities since there is no measurable cost to the volunteers for their service.

Fixed assets

Furniture and equipment in the church premises is included at cost or net realisable value.

Depreciation

Depreciation on other fixed assets is calculated to write off the cost on a straight line basis over their expected useful life, at the following rates:

Furniture and fittings	- 10% straight line
Computers and equipment	- 33% straight line

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The church is an employer participating in a pension scheme known as the Baptist Pension Scheme ("the scheme"). The scheme is a separate entity which is administered by the Pension Trustee (Baptist Pension Trust Limited).

The Minister and some members of the church staff are eligible to join the Scheme, which is not contracted out of the State Second Pension.

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Donations	20,249	12,239
Offerings	47,247	47,399
Tax refunds	-	9,325
Grants- CJRS	-	<u>10,203</u>
	<u>67,496</u>	<u>79,166</u>

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Other trading income	<u>34,149</u>	<u>35,263</u>

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Interest receivable - trading	<u>60</u>	<u>34</u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

The following trustees were paid remuneration for providing services to the charity under employment contracts:

Mrs J Evans: £21,677 (2022: £17,109)

Mrs J James: £20,490 (2022: £19,313)

Rev N A Price: £29,314 (2022: £nil)

No trustees were remunerated for performing their duties as a trustee for the year ended 31 March 2023 nor for the year ended 31 March 2022.

Trustees' expenses

During the year, the following general expenses were reimbursed to trustees:

Mrs D E Cowburn: £40 (2022: £nil), Mrs J James: £372 (2022: £1,086), Mrs J Evans: £1,761 (2022: £2,273), Mr R Scoulding £nil (2022: £101), Rev N A Price: £4,047 (2022: £nil) and Rev G Sinden: £157 (2022: £nil).

6. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	31.3.23	31.3.22
Employees	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023****7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	78,235	931	79,166
Other trading activities	35,263	-	35,263
Investment income	<u>34</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>34</u>
Total	<u>113,532</u>	<u>931</u>	<u>114,463</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Ministry	30,453	1,872	32,325
Mission	14,857	-	14,857
Establishment	35,769	585	36,354
Other	<u>569</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>569</u>
Total	<u>81,648</u>	<u>2,457</u>	<u>84,105</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	31,884	(1,526)	30,358
Transfers between funds	<u>(1,672)</u>	<u>1,672</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds	30,212	146	30,358
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	<u>16,968</u>	<u>13,442</u>	<u>30,410</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>47,180</u>	<u>13,588</u>	<u>60,768</u>

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2022	3,309	1,390	4,699
Additions	<u>5,196</u>	<u>550</u>	<u>5,746</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>8,505</u>	<u>1,940</u>	<u>10,445</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2022	1,428	615	2,043
Charge for year	<u>677</u>	<u>522</u>	<u>1,199</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>2,105</u>	<u>1,137</u>	<u>3,242</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2023	<u>6,400</u>	<u>803</u>	<u>7,203</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>1,881</u>	<u>775</u>	<u>2,656</u>

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts (see note 10)	<u>-</u>	<u>88</u>

10. LOANS

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	31.3.23	31.3.22
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Bank loans	<u>-</u>	<u>88</u>

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.22 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.23 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	47,180	(24,689)	9,604	32,095
Restricted funds				
Mission Giving	218	-	(218)	-
Home Mission	25	-	(25)	-
Romanian Orphanage	24	-	(24)	-
Senior Moments Event	915	-	(915)	-
First Tuesday	122	279	-	401
Gift Day	2,322	-	(2,322)	-
Mike Breeze Legacy	6,100	-	(6,100)	-
Dementia Cafe	<u>3,862</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,862</u>
	<u>13,588</u>	<u>279</u>	<u>(9,604)</u>	<u>4,263</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>60,768</u>	<u>(24,410)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>36,358</u>

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	100,679	(125,368)	(24,689)
Restricted funds			
First Tuesday	1,026	(747)	279
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>101,705</u>	<u>(126,115)</u>	<u>(24,410)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.21 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.22 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	16,968	31,884	(1,672)	47,180
Restricted funds				
Mission Giving	218	-	-	218
Home Mission	-	25	-	25
Romanian Orphanage	24	-	-	24
Senior Moments Event	915	-	-	915
First Tuesday	91	31	-	122
Gift Day	2,322	-	-	2,322
Mike Breeze Legacy	6,100	-	-	6,100
Jon & Elsie Fletcher	-	(1,672)	1,672	-
Dementia Cafe	3,772	90	-	3,862
	13,442	(1,526)	1,672	13,588
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>30,410</u>	<u>30,358</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>60,768</u>

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	113,532	(81,648)	31,884
Restricted funds			
Home Mission	25	-	25
First Tuesday	616	(585)	31
Jon & Elsie Fletcher	200	(1,872)	(1,672)
Dementia Cafe	90	-	90
	<u>931</u>	<u>(2,457)</u>	<u>(1,526)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>114,463</u>	<u>(84,105)</u>	<u>30,358</u>

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

	At 1.4.21 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.23 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	16,968	7,195	7,932	32,095
Restricted funds				
Mission Giving	218	-	(218)	-
Home Mission	-	25	(25)	-
Romanian Orphanage	24	-	(24)	-
Senior Moments Event	915	-	(915)	-
First Tuesday	91	310	-	401
Gift Day	2,322	-	(2,322)	-
Mike Breeze Legacy	6,100	-	(6,100)	-
Jon & Elsie Fletcher	-	(1,672)	1,672	-
Dementia Cafe	<u>3,772</u>	<u>90</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,862</u>
	<u>13,442</u>	<u>(1,247)</u>	<u>(7,932)</u>	<u>4,263</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>30,410</u>	<u>5,948</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>36,358</u>

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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 £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	214,211	(207,016)	7,195
Restricted funds			
Home Mission	25	-	25
First Tuesday	1,642	(1,332)	310
Jon & Elsie Fletcher	200	(1,872)	(1,672)
Dementia Cafe	90	-	90
	<u>1,957</u>	<u>(3,204)</u>	<u>(1,247)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>216,168</u>	<u>(210,220)</u>	<u>5,948</u>

13. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The custodian Trustee of the church is the Baptist Union Corporation Limited which is charity number 249635, and which is controlled by the Baptist Union Council. The church is also a member of the Baptist Union of Great Britain, and the Heart of England Baptist Association.

See note 5 for details of trustees expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2023.

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	31.3.23 £	31.3.22 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	20,249	12,239
Offerings	47,247	47,399
Tax refunds	-	9,325
Grants- CJRS	-	10,203
	67,496	79,166
Other trading activities		
Other trading income	34,149	35,263
Investment income		
Interest receivable - trading	60	34
Total incoming resources	102,532	114,463
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	66,795	34,619
Pensions	5,364	6,053
Rates and water	1,458	1,120
Insurance	5,538	5,565
Light and heat	17,158	5,201
Repairs and maintenance	3,572	4,222
Sundries	20,574	22,588
	120,459	79,368
Other		
Fixtures and fittings	677	314
Computer equipment	522	255
	1,199	569
Support costs		
Finance		
Bank charges	320	243
Other		
Telephone	1,125	1,063
Postage and stationery	372	678
	1,497	1,741
Governance costs		
Accountancy	2,640	2,184

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SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	31.3.23 <u>£</u>	31.3.22 <u>£</u>
Total resources expended	<u>126,115</u>	<u>84,105</u>
Net (expenditure)/income	<u>(24,410)</u>	<u>30,358</u>

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SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1133718

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report 1 April 2021 – 31 March 2022

Charity Number: 1133718

Trustees

Trustee Name	Office	Dates acted if not for whole year	Appointed by
Vacant	Minister		Church Meeting
Geoff Day	Safeguarding Trustee		Church Meeting
Robin Scoulding	Secretary		Church Meeting
Liz Cowburn			Church Meeting
Jenny Evans	Treasurer		Church Meeting
Tim Curtis			Church Meeting
Jude James			Church Meeting

Name and addresses of advisers

Bankers	Barclays Bank	Barclays, Leicester, LE87 2BB
Solicitors	Anthony Collins	143 Edmund Street, Birmingham, B3 2ES
Accountants & Auditors	DRE & Co	6 Claremont Buildings, Claremont Bank, Shrewsbury, SY1 1RJ
Architects	Howl Associates	10 Park Plaza, Battlefield Enterprise Park, Shrewsbury, SY1 1RJ

Description of the charity's trusts

Trust constitution is based upon the Baptist Union Corporation Constitution for Baptist Churches.

The Constitution was adopted on 12 November 2009.

Charity Trustees are elected at a Church Meeting from among the membership of the Church.

Governance

Direction and leadership of the church is provided by a Leadership Team comprising the Senior Minister, the Associate Minister (if any) and the other Trustees.

The Charity Trustees are accountable to the Church Meeting which comprises all members of the church. Church meetings are held four times each year.

The number of Charity Trustees is determined by the Church Meeting which, on 12 November 2009, decided that there should be no fewer than two Trustees and, on 6 November 2011, decided that there should be no more than seven Trustees (in addition to the Ministers).

The staff of the Church includes the Minister and other paid staff including managers for the Central and Crowmoor buildings and a cleaner.

The Church is a member of the Baptist Union and the Heart of England Baptist Association.

Objectives and activities

The principal purpose of the Church is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination. The Church may also advance education and carry out other charitable purposes in the United Kingdom and/or other parts of the world.

The Trustees have read and are mindful of the Charity Commission's guidance on the public benefit including the specific guidance on the advancement of religion for the public benefit.

In order to achieve our principal objects, we provide a range of activities for our local community and our members. The aim is to show the love of Jesus Christ in word and deed, and to bring people into a closer relationship with Him as their living Lord.

Our activities providing a public benefit specifically include:

- Family-friendly church services, to which all are welcome, with a children's programme and crèche.
- Toddlers' groups, both at the church premises and in the town centre
- Foodshare Table in conjunction with the FoodHub
- Small groups for the growth of faith and discipleship.
- A range of regular activities and special events for young people, adults, families and older people including holiday clubs, community meals and social events.
- Working with local schools, colleges and other voluntary groups.
- Supporting, and making our buildings available for use by community groups

Grant Making

The church provides financial support to a number of national and international organisations and activities with aims and objectives compatible with its own charitable purpose including, but not limited to, the Baptist Union Home Mission Fund. The church supports members working in needy communities in the UK and overseas.

Volunteers

All members of the church are encouraged to take an appropriate part in the life of the church and the furtherance of its charitable objects. Many of our activities are delivered by volunteers, including the leadership of the various ministries and helping with practical tasks. It is by working together that we can grow as a community, and engage with the needs of our wider community. Volunteer leaders are accountable to the Trustees and to the Church Meeting.

Achievements and performance

We believe God has called us to be One church with two buildings, both primarily for the benefit of the two different communities with whom we are privileged to work. Throughout the year 2021-22 we have sought to bring Jesus into the heart of the community, both in the town centre and in the Monkmoor area.

Engaging with the community

Our mission is to re-engage with the community.

We have continued to develop excellent relationships with organisations working in both areas, including the local Council, schools and community groups. Examples include:

- We continue to liaise with and assist the community-focused coffee shop, “Palmers” in our town centre building.
- Music Therapy – support for children and adults with special needs - at Crowmoor
- Activities linked to Shrewsbury Food Hub
- Links with Shrewsbury Street Pastors
- Links with Shrewsbury Youth for Christ
- A team: “Open the Book” provides support for R.E. lessons and assemblies.
- FaF (Food and Fellowship) group for men

Discipleship and prayer

Our current activities include:

- Regular church services
- Regular Home Groups in various locations
- Various prayer groups.

Governance and Finance

A detailed budget was agreed by church members in April 2021.

Policies

All of the Church policies are subject to regular review by the Trustees.

External mission

- Matthew & Esther Howes continues as supported church missionaries. They are living and working in a Muslim community in the West Midlands under the auspices of WEC.
- Jon and Elise Fletcher continue as supported church missionaries. They and their family have been in Thailand since September 2014 living and working in a slum district of Bangkok under the auspices of Urban Neighbours of Hope.
- Judy Cook continues as a supported missionary in her work at Hope Home, Chiang Mai, Thailand.
- We have continued to support the Baptist Missionary Society and other missionary organisations.

Conclusion

The year 2021-2022 has seen the Church navigate through another difficult year. The pandemic brought several challenges with a number of activities, at the church and within the local communities. We still operate on the basis that we are One church with Two buildings, primarily for the benefit of the two different communities we serve.

In the year ahead we will continue to explore new ways of bringing Jesus into the heart of the community, both at Central and Crowmoor. The challenges are enormous – the opportunities equally so.

Financial Review

The Trustees are satisfied that they have sufficient reserves at the Balance Sheet date, together with ongoing income anticipated, to enable the church to function effectively in the coming year. They are committed to achieving a reserves policy which complies with Charity Commission guidelines.

The church's principal source of funding is the regular, personal giving of its members.

The church also receives income from hiring out the Crowmoor and Central buildings for use by community groups not otherwise connected with the church.

The trustees also utilised the government's furlough scheme during this financial year.

The financial results for 2021-2022, together with a summary of the accounting policies adopted, are set out in the financial statements.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

J Evans

R Scoulding

Full name(s)

Jenny Evans

Rob Scoulding

Position

Treasurer

Secretary

Date

12 January 2023

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022
FOR
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SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

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SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

TRUSTEES

G Day
R Scoulding
Mrs D E Cowburn
Mrs J James
T Curtis (resigned 15.3.22)
Mrs J Evans
Rev G Sinden (appointed 15.3.22)
Rev N A Price (appointed 1.5.22)

PRINCIPAL ADDRESS

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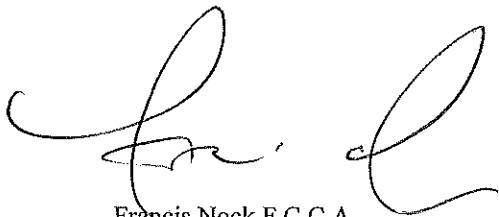
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Date: 24 January 2023

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

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Other trading activities	3	35,263	-	35,263	2,365
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Total		113,532	931	114,463	96,096
 EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
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Establishment		35,769	585	36,354	31,903
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 NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)					
Transfers between funds	13	31,884 (1,672)	(1,526) 1,672	30,358 -	7,459 -
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INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	93,724	-	93,724
Other trading activities	2,365	-	2,365
Investment income	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>7</u>
Total	<u>96,095</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>96,096</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Ministry	42,682	-	42,682
Mission	13,738	-	13,738
Establishment	31,903	-	31,903
Other	<u>314</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>314</u>
Total	<u>88,637</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>88,637</u>
NET INCOME	7,458	1	7,459
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	<u>9,510</u>	<u>13,441</u>	<u>22,951</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>16,968</u>	<u>13,442</u>	<u>30,410</u>

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2021	3,143	360	3,503
Additions	<u>166</u>	<u>1,030</u>	<u>1,196</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>3,309</u>	<u>1,390</u>	<u>4,699</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2021	1,114	360	1,474
Charge for year	<u>314</u>	<u>255</u>	<u>569</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>1,428</u>	<u>615</u>	<u>2,043</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2022	<u>1,881</u>	<u>775</u>	<u>2,656</u>
At 31 March 2021	<u>2,029</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,029</u>

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.22	31.3.21
	£	£
Other debtors	-	100

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.22	31.3.21
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts (see note 12)	88	1,008

11. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	31.3.22	31.3.21
	£	£
Bank loans (see note 12)	-	88

12. LOANS

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	31.3.22	31.3.21
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Bank loans	88	1,008
Amounts falling between one and two years:		
Bank loans - 1-2 years	-	88

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.21	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds	At 31.3.22
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	16,968	31,884	(1,672)	47,180
Restricted funds				
Mission Giving	218	-	-	218
Home mission	-	25	-	25
Romaian Orphange	24	-	-	24
Senior moments event	915	-	-	915
First Tuesday	-	-	-	-
Gift Day	91	31	-	122
Mike Breeze Legacy	2,322	-	-	2,322
Jon & Elsie Fletcher	6,100	-	-	6,100
Dementia Cafe	-	(1,672)	1,672	-
	3,772	90	-	3,862
	13,442	(1,526)	1,672	13,588
TOTAL FUNDS	30,410	30,358	-	60,768

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022****13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	113,532	(81,648)	31,884
Restricted funds			
Home mission			
First Tuesday	25	-	25
	616	(585)	31
Jon & Elsie Fletcher	200	(1,872)	(1,672)
Dementia Cafe	90	-	90
	<u>931</u>	<u>(2,457)</u>	<u>(1,526)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>114,463</u>	<u>(84,105)</u>	<u>30,358</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	9,510	7,458	16,968
Restricted funds			
Mission Giving	218	-	218
Romaian Orphange	24	-	24
Senior moments event	915	-	915
First Tuesday			
	91	-	91
Gift Day	2,322	-	2,322
Mike Breeze Legacy	6,100	-	6,100
Dementia Cafe	3,771	1	3,772
	<u>13,441</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>13,442</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>22,951</u>	<u>7,459</u>	<u>30,410</u>

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	96,095	(88,637)	7,458
Restricted funds			
Dementia Cafe	1	-	1
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>96,096</u>	<u>(88,637)</u>	<u>7,459</u>

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

	At 1.4.20 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.22 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	9,510	39,342	(1,672)	47,180
Restricted funds				
Mission Giving	218	-	-	218
Home mission	-	25	-	25
Romaian Orphange	24	-	-	24
Senior moments event	915	-	-	915
First Tuesday	91	31	-	122
Gift Day	2,322	-	-	2,322
Mike Breeze Legacy	6,100	-	-	6,100
Jon & Elsie Fletcher	-	(1,672)	1,672	-
Dementia Cafe	<u>3,771</u>	<u>91</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,862</u>
	<u>13,441</u>	<u>(1,525)</u>	<u>1,672</u>	<u>13,588</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>22,951</u>	<u>37,817</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>60,768</u>

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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 £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	209,627	(170,285)	39,342
Restricted funds			
Home mission			
First Tuesday	25	-	25
Jon & Elsie Fletcher	616	(585)	31
Dementia Cafe	200	(1,872)	(1,672)
	<u>91</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>91</u>
	<u>932</u>	<u>(2,457)</u>	<u>(1,525)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>210,559</u>	<u>(172,742)</u>	<u>37,817</u>

14. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The custodian Trustee of the church is the Baptist Union Corporation Limited which is charity number 249635, and which is controlled by the Baptist Union Council. The church is also a member of the Baptist Union of Great Britain, and the Heart of England Baptist Association.

See note 5 for details of trustees expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2022.

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	31.3.22 £	31.3.21 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	12,239	10,447
Offerings	47,399	43,599
Tax refunds	9,325	11,785
Grants- CJRS	<u>10,203</u>	<u>27,893</u>
	79,166	93,724
Other trading activities		
Other trading income	35,263	2,365
Investment income		
Interest receivable - trading	<u>34</u>	<u>7</u>
Total incoming resources	114,463	96,096
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	34,619	36,469
Pensions	6,053	5,291
Rates and water	1,120	754
Insurance	5,565	5,288
Light and heat	5,201	14,093
Repairs & Maintenance	4,222	882
Sundries	<u>22,588</u>	<u>21,152</u>
	79,368	83,929
Other		
Fixtures and fittings	314	314
Computer equipment	<u>255</u>	<u>-</u>
	569	314
Support costs		
Finance		
Bank charges	243	291
Other		
Telephone	1,063	1,409
Postage and stationery	<u>678</u>	<u>295</u>
	1,741	1,704
Governance costs		
Accountancy	2,184	2,399

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SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	31.3.22 <u>£</u>	31.3.21 <u>£</u>
Total resources expended	<u>84,105</u>	<u>88,637</u>
Net income	<u>30,358</u>	<u>7,459</u>

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
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SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

TRUSTEES

G Day
R Scoulding
Mrs D E Cowburn
Mrs J James
T Curtis (resigned 15.3.22)
Mrs J Evans
Rev G Sinden (appointed 15.3.22)
Rev N A Price (appointed 1.5.22)

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**REGISTERED CHARITY
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1133718

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Shrewsbury Baptist Church

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Shrewsbury Baptist Church (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2022.

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').

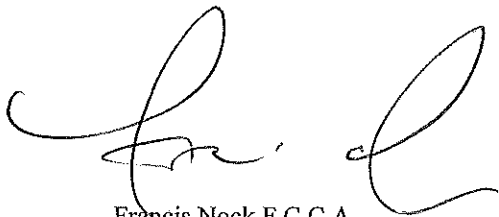
I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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 Trust 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.



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	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	93,724	-	93,724
Other trading activities	2,365	-	2,365
Investment income	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>7</u>
Total	<u>96,095</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>96,096</u>
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Ministry	42,682	-	42,682
Mission	13,738	-	13,738
Establishment	31,903	-	31,903
Other	<u>314</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>314</u>
Total	<u>88,637</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>88,637</u>
NET INCOME	7,458	1	7,459
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	<u>9,510</u>	<u>13,441</u>	<u>22,951</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>16,968</u>	<u>13,442</u>	<u>30,410</u>

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2021	3,143	360	3,503
Additions	<u>166</u>	<u>1,030</u>	<u>1,196</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>3,309</u>	<u>1,390</u>	<u>4,699</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2021	1,114	360	1,474
Charge for year	<u>314</u>	<u>255</u>	<u>569</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>1,428</u>	<u>615</u>	<u>2,043</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2022	<u>1,881</u>	<u>775</u>	<u>2,656</u>
At 31 March 2021	<u>2,029</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,029</u>

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.22	31.3.21
	£	£
Other debtors	-	100

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.22	31.3.21
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts (see note 12)	88	1,008

11. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	31.3.22	31.3.21
	£	£
Bank loans (see note 12)	-	88

12. LOANS

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	31.3.22	31.3.21
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Bank loans	88	1,008
Amounts falling between one and two years:		
Bank loans - 1-2 years	-	88

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.21	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds	At 31.3.22
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	16,968	31,884	(1,672)	47,180
Restricted funds				
Mission Giving	218	-	-	218
Home mission	-	25	-	25
Romaian Orphange	24	-	-	24
Senior moments event	915	-	-	915
First Tuesday	-	-	-	-
Gift Day	91	31	-	122
Mike Breeze Legacy	2,322	-	-	2,322
Jon & Elsie Fletcher	6,100	-	-	6,100
Dementia Cafe	-	(1,672)	1,672	-
	3,772	90	-	3,862
	13,442	(1,526)	1,672	13,588
TOTAL FUNDS	30,410	30,358	-	60,768

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022****13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	113,532	(81,648)	31,884
Restricted funds			
Home mission			
First Tuesday	25	-	25
	616	(585)	31
Jon & Elsie Fletcher	200	(1,872)	(1,672)
Dementia Cafe	90	-	90
	<u>931</u>	<u>(2,457)</u>	<u>(1,526)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>114,463</u>	<u>(84,105)</u>	<u>30,358</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.3.21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	9,510	7,458	16,968
Restricted funds			
Mission Giving	218	-	218
Romaian Orphange	24	-	24
Senior moments event	915	-	915
First Tuesday			
	91	-	91
Gift Day	2,322	-	2,322
Mike Breeze Legacy	6,100	-	6,100
Dementia Cafe	3,771	1	3,772
	<u>13,441</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>13,442</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>22,951</u>	<u>7,459</u>	<u>30,410</u>

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	96,095	(88,637)	7,458
Restricted funds			
Dementia Cafe	1	-	1
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>96,096</u>	<u>(88,637)</u>	<u>7,459</u>

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

	At 1.4.20 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.22 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	9,510	39,342	(1,672)	47,180
Restricted funds				
Mission Giving	218	-	-	218
Home mission	-	25	-	25
Romaian Orphange	24	-	-	24
Senior moments event	915	-	-	915
First Tuesday	91	31	-	122
Gift Day	2,322	-	-	2,322
Mike Breeze Legacy	6,100	-	-	6,100
Jon & Elsie Fletcher	-	(1,672)	1,672	-
Dementia Cafe	<u>3,771</u>	<u>91</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,862</u>
	<u>13,441</u>	<u>(1,525)</u>	<u>1,672</u>	<u>13,588</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>22,951</u>	<u>37,817</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>60,768</u>

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

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 £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	209,627	(170,285)	39,342
Restricted funds			
Home mission			
First Tuesday	25	-	25
Jon & Elsie Fletcher	616	(585)	31
Dementia Cafe	200	(1,872)	(1,672)
	<u>91</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>91</u>
	<u>932</u>	<u>(2,457)</u>	<u>(1,525)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>210,559</u>	<u>(172,742)</u>	<u>37,817</u>

14. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The custodian Trustee of the church is the Baptist Union Corporation Limited which is charity number 249635, and which is controlled by the Baptist Union Council. The church is also a member of the Baptist Union of Great Britain, and the Heart of England Baptist Association.

See note 5 for details of trustees expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2022.

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	31.3.22 £	31.3.21 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	12,239	10,447
Offerings	47,399	43,599
Tax refunds	9,325	11,785
Grants- CJRS	<u>10,203</u>	<u>27,893</u>
	79,166	93,724
Other trading activities		
Other trading income	35,263	2,365
Investment income		
Interest receivable - trading	<u>34</u>	<u>7</u>
Total incoming resources	114,463	96,096
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	34,619	36,469
Pensions	6,053	5,291
Rates and water	1,120	754
Insurance	5,565	5,288
Light and heat	5,201	14,093
Repairs & Maintenance	4,222	882
Sundries	<u>22,588</u>	<u>21,152</u>
	79,368	83,929
Other		
Fixtures and fittings	314	314
Computer equipment	<u>255</u>	<u>-</u>
	569	314
Support costs		
Finance		
Bank charges	243	291
Other		
Telephone	1,063	1,409
Postage and stationery	<u>678</u>	<u>295</u>
	1,741	1,704
Governance costs		
Accountancy	2,184	2,399

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SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

	31.3.22 <u>£</u>	31.3.21 <u>£</u>
Total resources expended	<u>84,105</u>	<u>88,637</u>
Net income	<u>30,358</u>	<u>7,459</u>

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Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report 1 April 2020 – 31 March 2021

Charity Number: 1133718

Trustees

Trustee Name	Office	Dates acted if not for whole year	Appointed by
Vacant	Minister		Church Meeting
Geoff Day	Safeguarding Trustee		Church Meeting
Robin Scoulding	Secretary		Church Meeting
Liz Cowburn			Church Meeting
Jenny Evans	Treasurer		Church Meeting
Tim Curtis			Church Meeting
Jude James			Church Meeting

Name and addresses of advisers

Bankers	Barclays Bank	Barclays, Leicester, LE87 2BB
Solicitors	Anthony Collins	143 Edmund Street, Birmingham, B3 2ES
Accountants & Auditors	DRE & Co	6 Claremont Buildings, Claremont Bank, Shrewsbury, SY1 1RJ
Architects	Howl Associates	10 Park Plaza, Battlefield Enterprise Park, Shrewsbury, SY1 1RJ

Description of the charity's trusts

Trust constitution is based upon the Baptist Union Corporation Constitution for Baptist Churches. The Constitution was adopted on 12 November 2009.

Charity Trustees are elected at a Church Meeting from among the membership of the Church.

Governance

Direction and leadership of the church is provided by a Leadership Team comprising the Senior Minister, the Associate Minister (if any) and the other Trustees.

The Charity Trustees are accountable to the Church Meeting which comprises all members of the church. Church meetings are held four times each year.

The number of Charity Trustees is determined by the Church Meeting which, on 12 November 2009, decided that there should be no fewer than two Trustees and, on 6 November 2011, decided that there should be no more than seven Trustees (in addition to the Ministers).

The staff of the Church includes the Senior Minister and other paid staff including managers for the Central and Crowmoor buildings and a cleaner.

The Church is a member of the Baptist Union and the Heart of England Baptist Association.

Objectives and activities

The principal purpose of the Church is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination. The Church may also advance education and carry out other charitable purposes in the United Kingdom and/or other parts of the world.

The Trustees have read and are mindful of the Charity Commission's guidance on the public benefit including the specific guidance on the advancement of religion for the public benefit.

In order to achieve our principal objects, we provide a range of activities for our local community and our members. The aim is to show the love of Jesus Christ in word and deed, and to bring people into a closer relationship with Him as their living Lord.

Our activities providing a public benefit specifically include:

- Family-friendly church services, to which all are welcome, with a children's programme and crèche.
- Toddlers' groups, both at the church premises and in the town centre
- Small groups for the growth of faith and discipleship.
- A wide range of regular activities and special events for young people, adults, families and older people including holiday clubs, community meals and social events.
- Working with local schools, colleges and other voluntary groups.
- Supporting, and making our buildings available for use by community groups including a weekly job club and Dementia Café.
- Wednesday night community meal which seeks to bless some vulnerable folk and rough sleepers

Grant Making

The church provides financial support to a number of national and international organisations and activities with aims and objectives compatible with its own charitable purpose including, but not limited to, the Baptist Union Home Mission Fund. The church supports members working in needy communities in the UK and overseas.

Volunteers

All members of the church are encouraged to take an appropriate part in the life of the church and the furtherance of its charitable objects. Many of our activities are delivered by volunteers, including the leadership of the various ministries and helping with practical tasks. It is by working together that we can grow as a community, and engage with the needs of our wider community. Volunteer leaders are accountable to the Trustees and to the Church Meeting.

Achievements and performance

We believe God has called us to be ONE church with TWO buildings, both primarily for the benefit of the two different communities with whom we are privileged to work. Throughout the year 2020-21 we have sought to bring Jesus into the heart of the community, both in the town centre and in the Monkmoor area.

Engaging with the community

Our mission is to re-engage with the community. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, a number of our regular activities were put on hold or adapted for online delivery.

We have continued to develop excellent relationships with organisations working in both areas, including the local Council, schools and community groups. Examples include:

- We continue to liaise with and assist the community-focused coffee shop, “Palmers” in our town centre building.
- Monkmoor Friends – community liaison group.
- Music Therapy – support for children and adults with special needs - at Crowmoor
- Activities linked to Shrewsbury Food Hub
- Links with Shrewsbury Street Pastors
- Links with Shrewsbury Youth for Christ
- A team: “Open the Book” provides support for R.E. lessons and assemblies.
- INFG group for men

Discipleship and prayer

Our current activities include:

- Regular church services
- Regular Home Groups in various locations
- Various prayer groups.

Governance and Finance

A detailed budget was agreed by church members in January 2020.

Policies

All of the Church policies are subject to regular review by the Trustees.

External mission

- Matthew & Esther Howes continues as supported church missionaries. He is living and working in a Muslim community in the West Midlands under the auspices of WEC.
- Jon and Elise Fletcher continue as supported church missionaries. They and their family have been in Thailand since September 2014 living and working in a slum district of Bangkok under the auspices of Urban Neighbours of Hope.
- Judy Cook continues as a supported missionary in her work at Hope Home, Chiang Mai, Thailand.
- We have continued to support the Baptist Missionary Society and other missionary organisations

Conclusion

The year 2020-2021 has seen the Church navigate through a difficult year. The pandemic brought several challenges with a number of activities, at the church and within the local communities, put on hold or moved to an online provision. We still operate on the basis that we are One church with Two buildings, primarily for the benefit of the two different communities we serve.

In the year ahead we will continue to explore new ways of bringing Jesus into the heart of the community, both at Central and Crowmoor. The challenges are enormous – the opportunities equally so.

Financial Review

The Trustees are satisfied that they have sufficient reserves at the Balance Sheet date, together with ongoing income anticipated, to enable the church to function effectively in the coming year. They are committed to achieving a reserves policy which complies with Charity Commission guidelines.

The church's principal source of funding is the regular, personal giving of its members.

The church also receives income from hiring out the Crowmoor and Central buildings for use by community groups not otherwise connected with the church.

The trustees also utilised the government's furlough scheme during this financial year.

The financial results for 2020-2021, together with a summary of the accounting policies adopted, are set out in the financial statements.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

J Evans

R Scoulding

Full name(s)

Jenny Evans

Rob Scoulding

Position

Treasurer

Secretary

Date

20 December 2021

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021
FOR
SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

D.R.E. & Co.
Chartered Accountants
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SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

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SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

TRUSTEES

G Day
R Scoulding
Mrs D E Cowburn
Mrs J James
T Curtis
Mrs J Evans

PRINCIPAL ADDRESS

Crowmere Road
Shrewsbury
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**REGISTERED CHARITY
NUMBER**

1133718

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Shrewsbury Baptist Church

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Shrewsbury Baptist Church (the Trust) for the year ended 31 March 2021.

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').

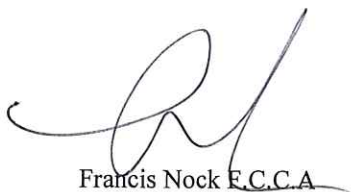
I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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 Trust 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.



Francis Nock F.C.C.A.
D.R.E. & Co.
Chartered Accountants
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Date: 11 January 2022

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.21 Total funds £	31.3.20 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	93,724	-	93,724	81,846
Other trading activities	3	2,365	-	2,365	47,555
Investment income	4	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>32</u>
Total		96,095	1	96,096	129,433
 EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities					
Ministry		42,682	-	42,682	70,977
Mission		13,738	-	13,738	13,682
Establishment		31,903	-	31,903	48,462
Other		<u>314</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>314</u>	<u>426</u>
Total		88,637	-	88,637	133,547
 NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		 7,458	 1	 7,459	 (4,114)
 RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		9,510	13,441	22,951	27,065
 TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		 <u>16,968</u>	 <u>13,442</u>	 <u>30,410</u>	 <u>22,951</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**BALANCE SHEET**
31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	31.3.21 Total funds £	31.3.20 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8	2,029	-	2,029	2,343
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	100	-	100	-
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>15,935</u>	<u>13,442</u>	<u>29,377</u>	<u>22,797</u>
		16,035	13,442	29,477	22,797
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	10	<u>(1,008)</u>	-	<u>(1,008)</u>	<u>(1,093)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>15,027</u>	<u>13,442</u>	<u>28,469</u>	<u>21,704</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		17,056	13,442	30,498	24,047
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due after more than one year	11	<u>(88)</u>	-	<u>(88)</u>	<u>(1,096)</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>16,968</u>	<u>13,442</u>	<u>30,410</u>	<u>22,951</u>
FUNDS	13				
Unrestricted funds				16,968	9,510
Restricted funds				<u>13,442</u>	<u>13,441</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>30,410</u>	<u>22,951</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 11 January 2022 and were signed on its behalf by:



J Evans - Trustee

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The accounts are prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

Donations

Donations are accounted for gross when received.

Tax refunds

Gift aid refunds are included when received.

Legacies

Legacies are accounted for when their receipt is certain and can be properly quantified.

Investment Income

Investment income is included in the accounts in the year in which it is receivable.

Fund raising and publicity costs

The church does not make formal appeals for funds, and expenditure on these items is therefore not material.

Grants payable

The church makes grants to other organisations whose charitable objects compliments its work. They are accounted for in the year in which they are paid.

Governance costs

This represents direct expenditure on the governance of the church. Most of the management is carried out without charge by volunteers. This intangible cost is not included in the Statement of Financial Activities since there is no measurable cost to the volunteers for their service.

Fixed assets

The church premises are included in the notes to the accounts at insurance value because reliable cost information is not available, and valuation would incur significant costs which would be onerous compared with the additional benefit gained by the user of the accounts.

Furniture and equipment in the church premises is included at cost or net realisable value.

Depreciation

Depreciation has not been charged on the church or manse premises, because in the opinion of the Trustees, the residual value of the asset is not less than the original cost price.

Depreciation on other fixed assets is calculated to write off the cost on a straight line basis over their expected useful life, at the following rates:

Furniture and fittings	10%
Computers and equipment	33%

Or such rates as the church decides

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The church is an employer participating in a pension scheme known as the Baptist Pension Scheme ("the scheme"). The scheme is a separate entity which is administered by the Pension Trustee (Baptist Pension Trust Limited).

The Minister and some members of the church staff are eligible to join the Scheme, which is not contracted out of the State Second Pension.

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	31.3.21	31.3.20
	£	£
Donations	10,447	15,822
Offerings	43,599	52,338
Tax refunds	11,785	13,686
Grants- CJRS	<u>27,893</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>93,724</u>	<u>81,846</u>

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	31.3.21	31.3.20
	£	£
Other trading income	<u>2,365</u>	<u>47,555</u>

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.3.21	31.3.20
	£	£
Interest receivable - trading	<u>7</u>	<u>32</u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

The following trustees were paid remuneration for providing services to the charity under employment contracts:

Mrs J Evans: £15,555 (2020: £11,336)

Mrs J James: £18,938 (2020: £18,929)

No trustees were remunerated for performing their duties as a trustee for the year ended 31 March 2021 nor for the year ended 31 March 2020.

Trustees' expenses

During the year, the following general expenses were reimbursed to trustees:

Mrs D E Cowburn: £191 (2020: £116), Mrs J James: £326 (2020: £774), Mrs J Evans: £530 (2020: £3,488) and Mr R Scoulding £47 (2020: £106).

6. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	31.3.21	31.3.20
Employees	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	75,181	6,665	81,846
Other trading activities	47,555	-	47,555
Investment income	<u>32</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>32</u>
Total	122,768	6,665	129,433
 EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Ministry	63,532	7,445	70,977
Mission	13,682	-	13,682
Establishment	45,710	2,752	48,462
Other	<u>426</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>426</u>
Total	123,350	10,197	133,547
 NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(582)	(3,532)	(4,114)
 Transfers between funds	<u>(1,193)</u>	<u>1,193</u>	<u>-</u>
 Net movement in funds	(1,775)	(2,339)	(4,114)
 RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
 Total funds brought forward	11,284	15,781	27,065
 TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u><u>9,509</u></u>	<u><u>13,442</u></u>	<u><u>22,951</u></u>

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2020 and 31 March 2021	<u>3,143</u>	<u>360</u>	<u>3,503</u>
 DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2020	800	360	1,160
Charge for year	<u>314</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>314</u>
At 31 March 2021	<u>1,114</u>	<u>360</u>	<u>1,474</u>
 NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2021	<u><u>2,029</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>2,029</u></u>
At 31 March 2020	<u><u>2,343</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>2,343</u></u>

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021****9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	31.3.21	31.3.20
	£	£
Other debtors	<u>100</u>	<u>-</u>

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.21	31.3.20
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts (see note 12)	1,008	1,008
Taxation and social security	<u>-</u>	<u>85</u>
	<u>1,008</u>	<u>1,093</u>

11. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	31.3.21	31.3.20
	£	£
Bank loans (see note 12)	<u>88</u>	<u>1,096</u>

12. LOANS

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	31.3.21	31.3.20
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
Bank loans	<u>1,008</u>	<u>1,008</u>
Amounts falling between one and two years:		
Bank loans - 1-2 years	<u>88</u>	<u>1,096</u>

13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.20	Net movement in funds	At 31.3.21
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	9,510	7,458	16,968
Restricted funds			
Mission Giving	218	-	218
Romaian Orphanage	24	-	24
Senior moments event	915	-	915
First Tuesday			
	91	-	91
Gift Day	2,322	-	2,322
Mike Breeze Legacy	6,100	-	6,100
Dementia Cafe	<u>3,771</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3,772</u>
	<u>13,441</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>13,442</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>22,951</u>	<u>7,459</u>	<u>30,410</u>

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	96,095	(88,637)	7,458
Restricted funds			
Dementia Cafe	1	-	1
TOTAL FUNDS	96,096	(88,637)	7,459

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.19 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.20 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	11,282	(582)	(1,190)	9,510
Designated	2	1	(3)	-
	11,284	(581)	(1,193)	9,510
Restricted funds				
Home mission				
	142	76	-	218
Flower Fund	52	(52)	-	-
Romaian Orphange	25	(1)	-	24
Senior moments event	716	199	-	915
First Tuesday				
	50	41	-	91
Gift Day	2,162	160	-	2,322
Mike Breeze Legacy	6,834	(734)	-	6,100
Workman Visa Account				
	1,427	(2,620)	1,193	-
Central Manager Fund	1,373	(1,373)	-	-
Dementia Cafe	3,000	771	-	3,771
	15,781	(3,533)	1,193	13,441
TOTAL FUNDS	27,065	(4,114)	-	22,951

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

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

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	122,767	(123,349)	(582)
Designated			
	<u>1</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1</u>
	122,768	(123,349)	(581)
Restricted funds			
Home mission			
	76	-	76
Flower Fund	-	(52)	(52)
Romaian Orphange	1	(2)	(1)
Senior moments event	1,098	(899)	199
First Tuesday			
	634	(593)	41
Gift Day	160	-	160
Mike Breeze Legacy	-	(734)	(734)
Workman Visa Account			
	461	(3,081)	(2,620)
Central Manager Fund	-	(1,373)	(1,373)
Dementia Cafe	<u>4,235</u>	<u>(3,464)</u>	<u>771</u>
	<u>6,665</u>	<u>(10,198)</u>	<u>(3,533)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>129,433</u>	<u>(133,547)</u>	<u>(4,114)</u>

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

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

	At 1.4.19 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.21 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	11,282	6,876	(1,190)	16,968
Designated				
	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>(3)</u>	<u>-</u>
	11,284	6,877	(1,193)	16,968
Restricted funds				
Home mission				
	142	76	-	218
Flower Fund	52	(52)	-	-
Romaian Orphange	25	(1)	-	24
Senior moments event	716	199	-	915
First Tuesday				
	50	41	-	91
Gift Day	2,162	160	-	2,322
Mike Breeze Legacy	6,834	(734)	-	6,100
Workman Visa Account				
	1,427	(2,620)	1,193	-
Central Manager Fund	1,373	(1,373)	-	-
Dementia Cafe	<u>3,000</u>	<u>772</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,772</u>
	<u>15,781</u>	<u>(3,532)</u>	<u>1,193</u>	<u>13,442</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u><u>27,065</u></u>	<u><u>3,345</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>30,410</u></u>

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

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 £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	218,862	(211,986)	6,876
Designated			
	<u>1</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1</u>
	218,863	(211,986)	6,877
Restricted funds			
Home mission			
	76	-	76
Flower Fund	-	(52)	(52)
Romaian Orphange	1	(2)	(1)
Senior moments event	1,098	(899)	199
First Tuesday			
	634	(593)	41
Gift Day	160	-	160
Mike Breeze Legacy	-	(734)	(734)
Workman Visa Account			
	461	(3,081)	(2,620)
Central Manager Fund	-	(1,373)	(1,373)
Dementia Cafe	<u>4,236</u>	<u>(3,464)</u>	<u>772</u>
	<u>6,666</u>	<u>(10,198)</u>	<u>(3,532)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>225,529</u>	<u>(222,184)</u>	<u>3,345</u>

14. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The custodian Trustee of the church is the Baptist Union Corporation Limited which is charity number 249635, and which is controlled by the Baptist Union Council. The church is also a member of the Baptist Union of Great Britain, and the Heart of England Baptist Association.

See note 5 for details of trustees expenses paid for the year ended 31 March 2021.

SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	31.3.21 £	31.3.20 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Donations	10,447	15,822
Offerings	43,599	52,338
Tax refunds	11,785	13,686
Grants- CJRS	<u>27,893</u>	<u>-</u>
	93,724	81,846
Other trading activities		
Other trading income	2,365	47,555
Investment income		
Interest receivable - trading	<u>7</u>	<u>32</u>
Total incoming resources	96,096	129,433
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	36,469	52,665
Social security	-	1,546
Pensions	5,291	6,986
Rates and water	754	1,610
Insurance	5,288	5,023
Light and heat	14,093	15,132
Repairs & Maintenance	882	9,899
Sundries	<u>21,152</u>	<u>34,571</u>
	83,929	127,432
Other		
Fixtures and fittings	314	304
Computer equipment	<u>-</u>	<u>122</u>
	314	426
Support costs		
Finance		
Bank charges	291	452
Other		
Telephone	1,409	1,460
Postage and stationery	<u>295</u>	<u>98</u>
	1,704	1,558

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SHREWSBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	31.3.21 £	31.3.20 £
Other		
Governance costs		
Legal fees	-	1,500
Accountancy	<u>2,399</u>	<u>2,179</u>
	<u>2,399</u>	<u>3,679</u>
Total resources expended	<u>88,637</u>	<u>133,547</u>
Net income/(expenditure)	<u><u>7,459</u></u>	<u><u>(4,114)</u></u>



Trustees' Annual Report 1 April 2020 – 31 March 2021

Charity Number: 1133718

Trustees

Trustee Name	Office	Dates acted if not for whole year	Appointed by
Vacant	Minister		Church Meeting
Geoff Day	Safeguarding Trustee		Church Meeting
Robin Scoulding	Secretary		Church Meeting
Liz Cowburn			Church Meeting
Jenny Evans	Treasurer		Church Meeting
Tim Curtis			Church Meeting
Jude James			Church Meeting

Name and addresses of advisers

Bankers	Barclays Bank	Barclays, Leicester, LE87 2BB
Solicitors	Anthony Collins	143 Edmund Street, Birmingham, B3 2ES
Accountants & Auditors	DRE & Co	6 Claremont Buildings, Claremont Bank, Shrewsbury, SY1 1RJ
Architects	Howl Associates	10 Park Plaza, Battlefield Enterprise Park, Shrewsbury, SY1 1RJ

Description of the charity's trusts

Trust constitution is based upon the Baptist Union Corporation Constitution for Baptist Churches. The Constitution was adopted on 12 November 2009.

Charity Trustees are elected at a Church Meeting from among the membership of the Church.

Governance

Direction and leadership of the church is provided by a Leadership Team comprising the Senior Minister, the Associate Minister (if any) and the other Trustees.

The Charity Trustees are accountable to the Church Meeting which comprises all members of the church. Church meetings are held four times each year.

The number of Charity Trustees is determined by the Church Meeting which, on 12 November 2009, decided that there should be no fewer than two Trustees and, on 6 November 2011, decided that there should be no more than seven Trustees (in addition to the Ministers).

The staff of the Church includes the Senior Minister and other paid staff including managers for the Central and Crowmoor buildings and a cleaner.

The Church is a member of the Baptist Union and the Heart of England Baptist Association.

Objectives and activities

The principal purpose of the Church is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination. The Church may also advance education and carry out other charitable purposes in the United Kingdom and/or other parts of the world.

The Trustees have read and are mindful of the Charity Commission's guidance on the public benefit including the specific guidance on the advancement of religion for the public benefit.

In order to achieve our principal objects, we provide a range of activities for our local community and our members. The aim is to show the love of Jesus Christ in word and deed, and to bring people into a closer relationship with Him as their living Lord.

Our activities providing a public benefit specifically include:

- Family-friendly church services, to which all are welcome, with a children's programme and crèche.
- Toddlers' groups, both at the church premises and in the town centre
- Small groups for the growth of faith and discipleship.
- A wide range of regular activities and special events for young people, adults, families and older people including holiday clubs, community meals and social events.
- Working with local schools, colleges and other voluntary groups.
- Supporting, and making our buildings available for use by community groups including a weekly job club and Dementia Café.
- Wednesday night community meal which seeks to bless some vulnerable folk and rough sleepers

Grant Making

The church provides financial support to a number of national and international organisations and activities with aims and objectives compatible with its own charitable purpose including, but not limited to, the Baptist Union Home Mission Fund. The church supports members working in needy communities in the UK and overseas.

Volunteers

All members of the church are encouraged to take an appropriate part in the life of the church and the furtherance of its charitable objects. Many of our activities are delivered by volunteers, including the leadership of the various ministries and helping with practical tasks. It is by working together that we can grow as a community, and engage with the needs of our wider community. Volunteer leaders are accountable to the Trustees and to the Church Meeting.

Achievements and performance

We believe God has called us to be ONE church with TWO buildings, both primarily for the benefit of the two different communities with whom we are privileged to work. Throughout the year 2020-21 we have sought to bring Jesus into the heart of the community, both in the town centre and in the Monkmoor area.

Engaging with the community

Our mission is to re-engage with the community. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, a number of our regular activities were put on hold or adapted for online delivery.

We have continued to develop excellent relationships with organisations working in both areas, including the local Council, schools and community groups. Examples include:

- We continue to liaise with and assist the community-focused coffee shop, “Palmers” in our town centre building.
- Monkmoor Friends – community liaison group.
- Music Therapy – support for children and adults with special needs - at Crowmoor
- Activities linked to Shrewsbury Food Hub
- Links with Shrewsbury Street Pastors
- Links with Shrewsbury Youth for Christ
- A team: “Open the Book” provides support for R.E. lessons and assemblies.
- INFG group for men

Discipleship and prayer

Our current activities include:

- Regular church services
- Regular Home Groups in various locations
- Various prayer groups.

Governance and Finance

A detailed budget was agreed by church members in January 2020.

Policies

All of the Church policies are subject to regular review by the Trustees.

External mission

- Matthew & Esther Howes continues as supported church missionaries. He is living and working in a Muslim community in the West Midlands under the auspices of WEC.
- Jon and Elise Fletcher continue as supported church missionaries. They and their family have been in Thailand since September 2014 living and working in a slum district of Bangkok under the auspices of Urban Neighbours of Hope.
- Judy Cook continues as a supported missionary in her work at Hope Home, Chiang Mai, Thailand.
- We have continued to support the Baptist Missionary Society and other missionary organisations

Conclusion

The year 2020-2021 has seen the Church navigate through a difficult year. The pandemic brought several challenges with a number of activities, at the church and within the local communities, put on hold or moved to an online provision. We still operate on the basis that we are One church with Two buildings, primarily for the benefit of the two different communities we serve.

In the year ahead we will continue to explore new ways of bringing Jesus into the heart of the community, both at Central and Crowmoor. The challenges are enormous – the opportunities equally so.

Financial Review

The Trustees are satisfied that they have sufficient reserves at the Balance Sheet date, together with ongoing income anticipated, to enable the church to function effectively in the coming year. They are committed to achieving a reserves policy which complies with Charity Commission guidelines.

The church's principal source of funding is the regular, personal giving of its members.

The church also receives income from hiring out the Crowmoor and Central buildings for use by community groups not otherwise connected with the church.

The trustees also utilised the government's furlough scheme during this financial year.

The financial results for 2020-2021, together with a summary of the accounting policies adopted, are set out in the financial statements.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

J Evans

R Scoulding

Full name(s)

Jenny Evans

Rob Scoulding

Position

Treasurer

Secretary

Date

20 December 2021