

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1135273

**Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2024**

for

**German Speaking Lutheran Church
in East Anglia**

German-Speaking Lutheran Church in East Anglia

Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2024

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Report of the Trustees

The trustees present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the church and of the surplus or deficit of the church for that year.

In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- (i) Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
- (ii) Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- (iii) Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the church will continue in business.
- (iv) Observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the church and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011.

They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the church and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Objectivities and Activities

Objectives, Organisations and Activities

The objective for which this charity has been established is the advancement of the Christian religion. This is achieved primarily by providing church services, pastoral care and other related activities for German speaking Protestant Christians

The Church comprises 5 congregations. These are based in Cambridge, Norwich, Ipswich, Bury St Edmunds and in Essex. For a large part the Church's activities are undertaken for the benefit of its congregations and other German-speaking people living in East Anglia.

The church is a member of the Synod of German-Speaking Lutheran, Reformed and United Congregations in Great Britain, referred to as 'The Synod' under which the German-speaking Protestant congregations *such as our church) are united in Great Britain.

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Under the faithful, creative, encouraging and enthusiastic leadership of our full-time clergy, Pastorin Kerstin Othmer, in 2024, the Church has expanded its sharing of church activities and expertise with the other congregations within the Synod. More about this later in this report.

Public Benefit

The trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion; enabling ordinary people to live out their faith through the Church's activities.

Achievements and Performance

Charitable Activities, Achievements and Performance

The Trustees (also referred to as 'Church Council' [Kirchenvorstand]) are pleased to report that, during the year 2024, our church activities have positively engaged with a wide range of people and enabled them to discover and to grow in the Christian faith and to experience and share in Christian fellowship.

Our Church's five congregations have regular in-person church services and Bible studies as well as many individual pastoral home visits which are increasingly necessitated by the advancing age and decreasing mobility of a number of the church members.

Each of these congregations highly values belonging to a German-speaking Christian church community while also being a base from which to reach out and care for the spiritual and emotional wellbeing of their fellow members, guests and visitors - and to their local ecumenical contacts.

Additionally to in-person meetings, members of the East Anglian congregations (together with guests from further afield) met in weekly online devotional times during Lent and Advent and on other special occasions in the Church year.

Members and guests also enjoyed taking part in several UK-wide online church services that were prepared by the constituent members of the Synod.

Aside from the above mentioned church services, Bible studies, pastoral visits and devotional times there are also further activities taking place during the year. These are generally developed by Pastorin Kirsten Othmer in cooperation with dedicated volunteers from the church who assist with their skills, talents, spiritual input, insight and local knowledge. A description of some of these can be found in the next chapter.

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Highlights in the Year 2024

Events for and by all the generations

- During the summer, we celebrated not only the confirmation of three young people, but also several important anniversaries of confirmations for older members, for example, 70 years since confirmation.
- We celebrated our Church's Summer Fete (Sommerfest) in July. It was delightful to welcome visitors from the German-speaking congregations of London East to this.
- A very enjoyable barbeque at the end of the summer school holidays was held in the garden of the Church House in Cambridge. After a long summer break it provided a good opportunity for the 'regulars' to welcome new people.
- The annual congregational residential weekend was held on 11 - 13 October at the Christian Conference Centre, The Pleasaunce, Overstrand next to a beautiful Norfolk beach. Opening up the attendance at this weekend to include other member churches of the Synod further enhanced the friendly and relaxed experience of Christian fellowship and it was a resounding success.
- The popular, intergenerational St Martin's Day Festival in November was again attended by approximately 75 people. It attracts non church and unchurched people from Cambridge and beyond, alongside regular church members and included a puppet show and a lantern procession.
- An Advent Market (Adventsbasar), while providing members with much loved opportunities to celebrate and socialise within a German-speaking cultural context, this also attracts guests with no formal links to the church and leads to enhanced intercultural understanding
- In November, the church was registered with the Eco Church initiative. This is an 'A Rocha UK's award scheme for churches in England and Wales who want to demonstrate that the Gospel is good news for God's earth'. Many aspects of our church life were assessed against the Eco Church catalogue of green credentials. We are pleased to have achieved the 'Eco Church Bronze Medal'. We have identified areas for future improvement in being an Eco Church in 2025.
- The Church has a spacious rear garden at the Church House in Cambridge. This proves to be immensely useful, by not only being a much appreciated space utilised for outdoor church activities, but also for providing a space that links us to local community groups, for example, to celebrate the anniversary of a choir, enable meetings by a Taizé worship group or regular use by a nearby Montessori nursery group.

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Children's and young people's church work

- During school term time, a dedicated team of volunteers have led Children's Church (Kindergottesdienst) in Cambridge. It then runs in parallel with the regular church services, unless there is already another children's event going to take place in church that day, e.g. St Martin's Day Celebration. The team meets regularly for training, support and planning. While expertly taught and equipped by Pastorin Othmer, the team have also developed into a network providing personal and Christian fellowship support for each other.
- 3 young people from our congregation completed their year-long confirmation preparation course, leading to their Confirmations during July.
- Following an unexpected vacancy of the pastor's post in the congregations of West London, our pastor together with Silke Halfmann, the pastor of the congregations of London East, had kindly taken on additional confirmation classes and celebrated the confirming of two groups of young people.

Internship

The Church Council and the congregation are very grateful to Lydia Werner for her month long internship in the work of our Church in the autumn. She contributed to the life of the Church in many ways. Pastorin Kerstin Othmer provided valuable practical and theological guidance and professional development for her.

Activities across Great Britain in 2024

- Through her untiring commitment to theological education for children and young people and training for lay readers, Pastorin Kerstin Othmer contributes and leads on a number of national activities. Following commission of the Synod she leads, guides and implements face-to-face and online training/education days and weekend courses:
 - a) for lay readers (Prädikanten/Prädikantinnen) from across Great Britain.
The church base in Cambridge provided the location, facilities and hospitality for the residential weekend training in September.
 - b) for people engaged in conducting Children's Church in their respective congregations.
- Pastorin Othmer engages collaboratively with her colleagues from the Synod on theological projects.
- Equally, she is ecumenically active by participating in and supporting local Christian Networks.

At the Synod's Annual General Meeting in April 2024, Pastorin Othmer and Hildegard O'Kane from the Cambridge congregation were voted onto the Synod's Council of Trustees (Synodrat) of currently only 5 trustees. Fulfilling these roles demands a high level of commitment in time, responsibility and in-depth communication. Their sterling work in this context has been invaluable and exemplary.

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Meetings of the Board of Trustees (Church Council {Kirchenvorstand})

In addition to the 9 online meetings throughout 2024, the Church Council also met in person in Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk from 16 to 17 February. This provided cherished time for Christian worship together as well as valuable time to focus on important operational matters. Thanks to the expert guidance of external facilitator Burgunde Materla, we identified and discussed the important topics concerning the future of the Church. We agreed on pathways to take and how to implement these during the following months.

The church AGM took place online on 9 June 2024.

Financial Review

General

The church was able to further improve its financial position in 2024, thanks mainly to very generous contributions, donations and legacies.

The Trustees gratefully acknowledge the annual church members contributions, collections, general donations, and donations for specific church items and legacies received. In total they contributed a total of £74,597, (2023: £59,072). Gift Aid claimed this year brought an additional £8,598 (2023: £7,555). Total investment income brought a return of £19,776, a similar amount to the previous year (2023: £19,223)

In 2024, the Church received a generous grant of £1,499 from the Evangelische Kirche Deutschland (EKD) to support the costs of the external facilitator for the annual Church Council retreat.

Based on a wide range of church activities, including activities to support confirmations, children's activities, organisation of a joint weekend away for the whole Synod, and hosting visitors as well as interns from Germany, the church applied for a share of the grant the Synod received in 2024 from the Schrodgers 1905 Trust (formerly Kaiser Wilhelm II Fund). With thanks the church received a total of £6,819.

The Pastor's Discretionary Fund is available for the Pastor/Pastorin to give financial help in individual cases of any hardship. During 2024 £140 was spent so the balance left as of 31 December 2024 is £155. No new allocation has been made towards this fund.

Despite the currently positive and consolidated financial situation, the Trustees are aware of the longer term financial challenges, relating to likely increases in costs for the Pastor/Pastorin, maintenance of the building and also the risk of loss of current income. In 2024 the Trustees focussed on two particular avenues for the longer term sustainability of the Church. One was the elaboration of detailed options regarding the future of the Church House, the other were interactions with other churches that are part of the Synod, to see how best to join forces in the future.

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Restricted Endowment Fund

This fund is part of the Asset Transfer Agreement which became effective on 31 May 2013, when the two former churches, each one a separate charity, merged to become one church and one single charity. The value of the fund is shown in a separate Endowment Fund column, and can be used for the purposes described in the Letters Patent of Charles II, dated 13 September 1672, namely that the Fund's income can be spent in accordance with the Church's general charitable purposes, but the Fund's capital should be invested to generate income, and after careful consideration by the trustees, the capital should only ever be spent on projects that involve the construction, maintenance or improvement of buildings used by the German-Speaking Lutheran Church for purposes which fall within the trusts set out in the Letters Patent.

During 2024 there were no withdrawals from the Restricted Endowment Fund.

Investment policy and objectives

Part of the income of the Charity is derived from its investments. The investment manager's objective is to maximise total return with due regard for risk, with an ethical and responsible investment portfolio and to report regularly via the Treasurer to the Trustees. The trustees remain committed to a long term investment policy aiming to protect the real capital value whilst generating a sustainable level of income to fund current expenditure.

Reserves policy

The trustees are aware of the general legal duty to apply charitable funds within a reasonable time of receiving them. In 2024 the trustees reviewed and formalised the Reserves Policy of the Church. In particular, having performed a review of current and previous year's funds, and after reviewing the church's current position, the trustees are of the opinion that the church should hold in unrestricted reserves approximately 12 months operating capital, not taking into account optional spending items and major building repairs. On that basis, the trustees agreed that the total unrestricted reserves should be at least £90,000. This total includes designated amounts of £60,000 for its annual Synod Contribution. £2,000 towards the purchase of the next church car and the remaining £28,000 being general unrestricted and not designated reserves.

In addition, the trustees are also of the opinion that Restricted Endowment is more than adequate a reserve for potential major building reserves.

The total Reserves freely available for distribution held at 31 December 2024 were £169,066, consisting of £103,051 in freely available funds and £66,015 in designated funds. This amount more than covers the required level of reserves. It is also higher than the £134,374 2023 year end figure which consisted of £70,933 as freely available and £63,441 as Restricted for Synod Contribution.

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Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

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

This charity is the result of a merger in 2013 of two former charities: The 'German Lutheran Church in Cambridge and East Anglia' (reg Charity No 1135273) and the 'Hamburg Lutheran Church' (Reg Charity No 2511211)

Further detail regarding the history, merger and the subsequent arrangements for their Trust Property and administration of funds can be found in this current Charity's Trustees Report for the year ended 31 December 2023.

The structure, governance and management of this current charity are set out in the Constitution dated 11 November 2009, as amended on 18 May 2013, and as amended on 27 June 2021. The last amendment to the Constitution was approved by the AGM on 12 June 2022 and notified to the Charity Commission.

Since 15 December 2020, the property and land of Church House, 4 Shaftesbury Road, Cambridge, CB2 8BW is vested in the official Custodian for Charities on behalf of the trustees of the German speaking Lutheran Church in East Anglia.

Governance and management related

- For better transparency, the Church Council has compiled the various aspects of its financial management into one new document, the 'Internal Financial Control Policy - Version 1'. The final version was approved in February 2024.
- A 'Procedure/Safeguarding Handbook - Version 1' has been introduced and approved by the Church Council in July 2024. It is designed to provide staff, whether paid or volunteers, and the members of the congregations with clear instructions and guidance on how to implement the Church's Safeguarding Children, Young People and Vulnerable Adults Policy.

The Church has continued to provide both traditional and new forms of church services and other church activities and events for children, young people, families and all ages. Throughout the year there has been shared worship and prayers, Bible meetings, music and spiritual support for people across the region and pastoral care to people in need at times of hardship, anxiety, isolation, illness or bereavement.

The Church Council would like to thank Pastorin Othmer, for her spiritual guidance, imagination and energy, hard work and support in all areas of the practical and spiritual life of the church.

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Her work in the church ministry is very much supported and enhanced by the many volunteers, Church Council members, children's team, lay preachers, newsletter team and many members of the congregations across the region, and all of these people deserve equal thanks for all their time and work given to the Church, to enable people to live out their faith through the Church's activities.

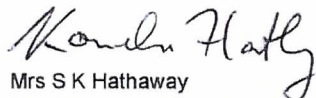
Reference and Administrative Details

Trustees from 1 January to 31 December 2024

Mrs B Ewald
Dr B Finger-Berry
Dr B Becker
Mr A C Emerson-Moring
Dr G Goldbeck
Miss M Longstaff
Mrs S K Hathaway
Mrs H O'Kane
Rev K Othmer
Mrs D Rose
Dr P Schütz

The Trustee Report 2024 was written by Kornelia Hathaway, Gerhard Goldbeck and Barbara Botradi.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 11 June 2025 and signed on their behalf.



Mrs S K Hathaway
Trustee



Dr G Goldbeck
Trustee

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Independent Examiner's Report

To the Trustees of German-Speaking Lutheran Church in East Anglia

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of the church for the year ended 31 December 2024 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet and the related notes.

Respective Responsibilities of the Trustees and the Examiner

As the church's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Acts 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of your church's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Act, and in carrying out my examination I have followed the applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent Examiner's Report

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 the accounting records were not kept in respect of the church as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of financial statements set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the financial statements 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 brought in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.



Geoff Mann
Geoff Mann Ltd
Dee House
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Cambridge

13 June 2025.

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Statement of Financial Activities

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Endowment funds	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
Income and Endowments from						
Donations and legacies		83,195	0	0	83,195	66,627
Investments		19,776	0	0	19,776	19,223
Other	2	30,650	0	0	30,650	27,831
Total	1	133,621	0	0	133,621	113,681
Expenditure on						
Church activities		102,869	0	0	102,869	104,779
Total	1	102,869	0	0	102,869	104,779
Net gains/(losses) on investments		1,366	2,574	14,540	18,480	11,992
Net Income/(Expenditure)		32,118	2,574	14,540	49,232	20,894
Transfers between funds	1(h)	0	0	0	0	0
Net Movement in Funds		32,118	2,574	14,540	49,232	20,894
Reconciliation of Funds						
Total Funds Brought Forward		70,933	63,441	358,330	492,704	471,810
Total Funds Carried Forward		103,051	66,015	372,870	541,936	492,704

Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses


There were no recognised gains or losses for 2024 or 2023 other than those included in the Statement of Financial Activities


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Balance Sheet

	Notes	2024		2023	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Tangible assets	5		3,342		6,684
Investments			474,907		456,427
Total fixed assets			478,249		463,111
Current Assets					
Debtors	5	8,598		7,55	
Cash at bank		57,244		24,083	
Total Current Assets		65,842		31,638	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	6	2,155		2,04	
Net Current Assets			63,687		29,593
Net Assets			541,936		492,704
The Funds of the Charity					
Unrestricted Funds					
General fund			101,051		58,147
Designated fund for new vehicle			2,000		2,000
			103,051		70,933
Designated Funds			66,015		63,441
Total Unrestricted Funds			169,066		134,374
Endowment Funds			372,870		358,330
Total Charity Funds			541,936		492,704

The financial statements were approved by the trustees on 11 June 2025 and signed on their behalf.


Mrs S K Hathaway
Trustee


Dr G Goldbeck
Trustee

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Notes to the accounts

1 Accounting Policies**(a) Basis of Preparation of the Accounts**

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Effective 1 January 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the financial reporting standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

German Speaking Lutheran Church in East Anglia meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

The trustees do not consider that there are any sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next reporting period.

(b) Income

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

(c) Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

(d) Tangible Fixed Assets

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life as follows:

Motor vehicles

20% straight line basis

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(e) Fixed Asset Investments

Investments are stated at market value at the balance sheet date giving rise to unrealised gains or losses which are taken into the Statement of Financial Activities. Realised gains and losses are shown separately in the Statement of Financial Activities calculated as the difference between proceeds and historic cost. Investment income and its tax related credit are taken into account on a receivable basis.

(f) Debtors

Trade debtors and other debtors are recognised at their settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discount due.

(g) Creditors and Provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

(h) Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are available to spend on activities that further any of the purposes of the charity. Designated funds are unrestricted funds of the charity which the trustees have decided at their discretion to set aside to use for a specific purpose. Restricted funds are donations which the donor has specified are to be solely used for particular areas of the charity's work or for specific projects being undertaken by the charity. Endowment funds are donated with the intention of their being used in perpetuity.

The endowment fund was created with a transfer of assets from the Hamburg Lutheran Church in 2013 and continues to be administered in accordance with its original purpose, which is to generate income from managed investments that is to be spent on continuing the charitable objectives of the church.

The trustees are, as part of furthering charitable objectives, entitled to spend the underlying capital for projects that involve the construction, maintenance or improvement of buildings used by the church for the purpose of their charitable aims.

(i) Foreign Currencies

Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the statement of financial position date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of transaction. Exchange differences are taken into account in arriving at the operating result.

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2	Other Income	2024 £	2023 £
	Bazaars, sales, sommerfest etc	2,394	3,873
	Collections for charities	1,177	2,682
	Other income	2,410	2,561
	Rental income	18,374	15,711
	Weekend retreat	6,395	3,004
		<u>30,750</u>	<u>27,831</u>

3 Staff Costs

The German Church Pastor was paid direct by the Synod of German Speaking Lutheran, Reformed and United Congregations in Great Britain, of which the church's contribution is £60,000 (2023 : £55,000)

4 Trustees' Remuneration and Benefits

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2024 nor for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Trustees' expenses

Trustees were reimbursed a total of £1,931 (2023 : £830) in respect of expenses incurred in their capacity as trustees. In addition, the German Church Pastor, who is also a trustee, was reimbursed a total of £2,034 (2023:£4,226) incurred in the course of her work as the minister of the church.

5	Tangible Fixed Assets	Motor vehicles £
	Cost At 1 January 2024 and 31 December 2024	<u>16,710</u>
	Depreciation Balance at 01.01.24	10,026
	Charge for the year	3,342
	Balance at 31.12.24	<u>13,368</u>
	Net Book Value At 31.12.24	<u>3,342</u>
	At 01.01.24	<u>6,684</u>

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6	Fixed Assets Investments	2024 Market value £	2023 Market value £
	National Savings Income Bonds	1,000	1,000
	Shares	473,907	455,427
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		474,907	456,427
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	Market value at beginning of year	455,427	444,372
	Net gain/(loss) on disposal/revaluation	18,480	11,992
	Disposal proceeds	0	-937
		-----	-----
	Market value at end of year	473,907	455,427
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7	Debtors: due within one year	2024 £	2023 £
	Gift aid tax claim	8,598	7,555
	Prepayments	0	0
		-----	-----
		8,598	7,555
		-----	-----
8	Creditors: due within one year	2024 £	2023 £
	Accruals	1,000	1,500
	Pastor's discretionary fund	155	295
	Payments in advance	1,000	250
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		2,155	2,045
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9 Related Party Disclosures

There were no related party transactions in the year that required disclosure.

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10 Analysis of Net Assets between Funds

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds £	Endowment Funds £	2024 Total Funds £
Tangible fixed assets	3,342	0	0	3,342
Fixed Asset Investments	35,022	66,015	373,870	474,907
Fixed Assets	38,364	66,015	373,870	478,249
Debtors	8,598	0	0	8,598
Cash at Bank	57,244	0	0	57,244
Creditors Due within one year	-2,155	0	0	-2,155
Net Current Assets	63,687	0	0	63,687
Net Assets	102,051	66,015	373,870	541,936

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	2023 Total Funds £
Tangible fixed assets	6,684	0	0	6,684
Fixed Asset Investments	34,656	63,441	358,330	456,427
Fixed Assets	41,340	63,441	358,330	463,111
Debtors	7,555	0	0	7,555
Cash at Bank	24,083	0	0	24,083
Creditors Due within one year	-2,045	0	0	-2,045
Net Current Assets	29,593	0	0	29,593
Net Assets	70,933	63,441	358,330	492,704

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities: Income and Endowments

		2024 £	2023 £
Donations and Legacies	Contributions	44,051	31,881
	Donated services and facilities	4,469	3,918
	Donations	14,545	14,273
	Donations for baptisms and funerals	225	1,945
	Gift aid recovered	8,598	7,555
	Grants	8,307	7,055
	Legacies	3,000	0
		-----	-----
		83,195	66,627
		-----	-----
Investment Income		19,776	19,223
		-----	-----
Other Income	Bazaars, sales, sommerfest etc	2,394	3,873
	Collections for charities	1,177	2,682
	Other income	2,410	2,561
	Rental income	18,274	15,711
	Weekend retreat	6,395	3,004
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		30,650	27,831
		-----	-----
Total Income and Endowments		133,621	113,681
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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities: Expenditure

		2024 £	2023 £
Charitable Activities	Bazaars, sales, sommerfest etc	636	1,096
	Congregation and services	1,032	1,898
	Donations to charities	1,177	2,682
	Hire of churches and halls	1,548	1,447
	Newsletter	580	638
	Organist fees	1,940	1,880
	Pastoral candidates/lay preachers	0	99
	Synod contribution	60,000	55,000
	Weekend retreat	9,844	7,044
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		76,757	71,784
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Management	Council tax and insurance	4,221	4,038
	Gardener, cleaner and admin	1,928	2,818
	Heat. Light and water	2,810	3,400
	Motor vehicle refurbishment	3,342	3,342
	Property maintenance and refurbishmer	5,524	10,039
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		17,825	23,637
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Governance costs	Accountancy and legal fees	2,192	3,073
	Motor and travel	4,099	3,954
	Stationery, postage and telephone	1,996	2,331
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		8,287	9,358
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Total Expenditure		<hr/>	<hr/>
		102,869	104,779
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