

WHIDDON VALLEY EVANGELICAL CHURCH  
Stoat Park, Whiddon Valley, Barnstaple EX32 8PT  
Annual Trustees' Report for the Year ending 31 December 2024

Charity Registration Number: 1141903

Managing Trustees:     Pastor David William Kay  
                                     Mr John William Stein  
                                     Mr Stephen Packham  
                                     Mr Russell Sean Brooks

Holding Trustee:  
Grace Baptist Trust Corporation.

The principal objective of our charity, Whiddon Valley Evangelical Church, is the advancement of the Christian Faith. The main activities undertaken to further this purpose for the public benefit are summarised in this report.

Our charity approved the 'Constitution for Grace Baptist Church Charities – version 7.0.' as our constituting document at a special meeting of the Church Members on 01/03/2011.

The managing trustees had been voted into their positions by the Church Membership having sought the will of God and have the general day by day control and management of the charity. The managing trustees are the Elder and Deacons of the Church.

Our Holding Trustees have changed from *The Fellowship of Independent Evangelical Churches (FIEC) Ltd.* to *Grace Baptist Trust Corporation*.

This was decided by resolution at a Church Meeting on 6th July 2021 with an unanimous vote of those present and voting.

This has been a slow process involving lawyers from both sides.

We have received an email dated 19th July 2024 to say that the transfer had taken place but the hold-up was with the Land Registry.

There has also been two changes to our managing trustees.

- Brian Kenneth Judge ceased to be a Deacon and Trustee from 31<sup>st</sup> of January 2024, when he died.
- Stephen Packham became a Deacon and Trustee at a special Church Meeting held on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2024 when voted in by the church members.

During the past year the Trustees have met together to discuss financial and practical matters both face to face and online. Our treasurer is Mr Russell Brooks. He constantly reviews our level of spending which is reported to trustees on a regular basis, and who are also made aware of our level of reserves. Any large financial spending would be brought for the ratification of the whole membership at a Church

Members' Meeting. No changes can be made to the Constitution or the Rules and Regulations without a 75% majority of the whole membership.

During the past year we have never had any funds that were materially in deficit, and it is our policy not to hold large reserves.

We have continued with regular services of worship at 11.00am and 6.30pm on Sundays and held Prayer Meetings on Sunday Mornings and Tuesday Evenings, with a Bible Study on Thursday mornings. The Lord's Supper is held on the first Sunday of the month in the morning, and each Sunday evening through the rest of each month. Meetings for the instruction of children and young people have continued on Sundays (3pm on Sunday afternoon); and during School Term time midweek children's meetings on Mondays and Thursdays.

*The Trustees of Whiddon Valley Evangelical Church*

# WHIDDON VALLEY EVANGELICAL CHURCH

## RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

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#### Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Whiddon Valley Evangelical Church

I report to the trustees on my examination of the receipts and payments accounts of Whiddon Valley Evangelical Church for the year ended 31 December 2024.

#### Responsibilities and basis of report

The Church Council are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

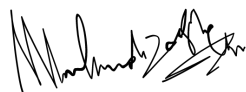
I report in respect of my examination of the Church's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

#### Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.



Mr. Muhammad Zeeshan FCCA  
TopClout LTD  
Chartered Certified Accountants  
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Dated: 18-03-2025

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## RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	2024	2023
	Unrestricted	Unrestricted
	Funds	Funds
	£	£
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
Members' offerings	64,749	38,718
Gifts and donations	4,831	6,848
Bank interest received	682	655
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>70,262</b>	<b>46,221</b>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>	£	£
Salaries	12,806	12,764
Employer's pension contributions	1,282	2,066
External ministry	1,305	1,125
Charitable giving	5,692	872
Missionary Giving	5,515	1,797
Council Tax	1,916	2,164
Water	581	599
Light and heat	3,006	3,403
Insurance	567	2,417
Property repairs and maintenance	374	179
Repairs and renewals	6,790	9,107
Telephone	447	478
Printing, postage and stationery	183	578
Catering and cleaning	1,260	116
Manse refurbishments	3,968	458
IT costs	610	1,383
Professional Services fees	225	578
General expenses	114	40
Advertising	-	245
Warehouse Utilities	2,008	2,045
Landscapping Services	2,976	-
Bank Charges	71	131
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>51,697</b>	<b>42,545</b>
Net of receipts/(payments)	18,565	3,676
Total funds brought forward	43,762	40,087
Total Funds carried forward	<b>62,327</b>	<b>43,762</b>

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## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

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Assets Retained		
Fixtures, Fittings and Equipment	5,926	3,310
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>68,253</b>	<b>47,072</b>

The financial statements were approved by the Church Council on ..... and were signed on its behalf by:



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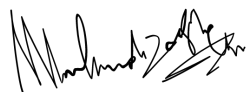
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