

WHIDDON VALLEY EVANGELICAL CHURCH  
Stoat Park, Whiddon Valley, Barnstaple EX32 8PT  
Annual Trustees' Report for the Year ending 31 December 2025

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 are the *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.]

During the past year the Managing Trustees have met together to discuss financial and practical matters. 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.

The Managing Trustees have explored the concept of becoming a Charitable Incorporated Organisation [CIO] and discussed this with our Solicitors [Edward Connor Solicitors]. This will be taken further in 2026, as will the feasibility of employing [part time] a student from the Salisbury Seminary as a trainee pastor.

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  
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

	2025 Unrestricted Funds £	2024 Unrestricted Funds £
Funds		
Cash at Bank	81,902	62,327
Cash in Hand		-
Total Funds Carried Forward	<u>81,902</u>	<u>62,327</u>
Assets Retained		
Fixtures, Fittings and Equipment	5,926	5,926
Total Assets	<u>87,828</u>	<u>68,253</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Church Council on 10.04.2026 and were signed on its behalf by:



Mr. Russell Brooks  
Treasurer

**WHIDDON VALLEY EVANGELICAL CHURCH  
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

	2025 Unrestricted Funds £	2024 Unrestricted Funds £
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
Members' offerings	49,218	64,749
Gifts and donations	4,479	4,831
Council Tax Refund	9,311	-
Bank interest received	892	682
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>63,900</b>	<b>70,262</b>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>		
Salaries	12,764	12,806
Employer's pension contributions	1,321	1,282
External ministry	2,107	1,305
Charitable giving	2,500	5,892
Missionary Giving	4,844	5,515
Council Tax	1,507	1,916
Water	846	581
Light and heat	2,819	3,006
Insurance	2,551	557
Property repairs and maintenance	322	374
Repairs and renewals	5,491	6,790
Broadband	478	447
Printing, postage and stationery	79	183
Catering and cleaning	1,330	1,280
Manse refurbishments	310	3,968
IT costs	457	610
Professional Services fees	237	225
General expenses	490	114
Advertising	85	-
Utility Warehouse	1,887	2,008
Security Services	1,998	-
Landscaping Services	-	2,976
Bank Charges	83	71
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>44,326</b>	<b>51,897</b>
Net of receipts/(payments)	19,575	18,565
Total funds brought forward Total	62,327	43,762
Funds carried forward	<b>81,902</b>	<b>62,327</b>

# WHIDDON VALLEY EVANGELICAL CHURCH RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

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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 2025.

## 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.



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Dated: 09-04-2026