

BARNT GREEN BAPTIST CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1144228

Details

Other names BGB

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2011-10-11

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

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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.

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Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Worcestershire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£57,939	£87,734	-	-
2024-12-31	£92,178	£97,846	-	-
2023-12-31	£552,611	£201,095	£392,373	1
2022-12-31	£78,425	£96,485	-	-
2021-12-31	£85,210	£96,500	-	-
2020-12-31	£96,751	£99,114	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Nigel Ian Stevens	Chair	2025-05-18
Andy Titmarsh		2025-03-23
Elizabeth Kelly		2024-12-11
Shirley Titmarsh		2025-03-23

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Accounts

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BARNT GREEN BAPTIST CHURCH
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 DECEMBER 2025



BARNT GREEN BAPTIST CHURCH

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Charity Name Barnt Green Baptist Church

Charity Number 1144228

Trustees	Rev. Peter Worth	Minister	<i>Resigned 30 November 2025</i>
	John Grundy	Elder	<i>Resigned 11 March 2025</i>
	Rev Peter Cook	Mission Deacon	<i>Resigned 11 March 2025</i>
	Stuart Marks	Fabric Deacon	<i>Resigned 11 March 2025</i>
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	Andy Titmarsh	Elder	<i>Appointed 23 March 2025</i>
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	Elizabeth Kelly	Deacon	<i>Appointed 30 May 2025</i>
	Nigel Stevens	Treasurer	<i>Appointed 18 May 2025</i>

Registered Office Barnt Green Baptist Church
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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Second Trustees Report- an Update for 2025

Governance

1. Constitution

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2. Basis of Faith

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3. Charity Registration

BGBC is registered as a Charitable Trust with the Charity Commission (CC) - Registration Reference 1144228 - and is subject to Charity Law and CC directions as applying to a Church Charity.

4. Trustees

The appointed Trustees at the time of this report were:-

		<u>Appointed</u>
Andy Titmarsh	Elder	23 rd March 2025
Shirley Titmarsh	Deacon	23 rd March 2025
Elizabeth Kelly*	Deacon	30 th May 2025
Nigel Stevens	Treasurer	18 th May 2025

Trustees who resigned during the period 1st January 2025 to the 31st December 2025 were :-

		<u>Resigned</u>
John Grundy	Elder	11 th March 2025
Rev Peter Cook	Mission Deacon	11 th March 2025
Stuart Marks	Fabric Deacon	11 th March 2025
Hannah Jefferey	Family Deacon	11 th March 2025
Elizabeth Kelly*	Secretary/Treasurer	30 th May 2025
Rev Peter Worth	Minister & Trustee	30 th November 2025

*Note

Elizabeth Kelly resigned as Secretary/Treasurer with effect from 30th May 2025. She will, however, continue to serve as a Deacon without specific responsibilities for the remainder of her appointed term.

Trustees Statement

As mentioned in the First Trustees report for 2025, the Trustees continue to ask for understanding as the events in the Church in 2024 and continuing through to the present time have caused considerable difficulties with the Governance of BGBC. Every attempt is being made to ensure that BGBC is able to continue with a stable and Bible Based foundation as a fully functioning Church and place of witness in the Barnt Green and local area.

The BGBC minister, Rev Peter Worth, resigned his position with effect from 30th November 2025. The Trustees are working with the Heart of England Baptist Association (HEBA), to appoint a "Moderator" to act as interim minister until a new minister can be appointed. The appointment of a new minister is likely to be a lengthy process.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding of all persons attending BGBC whether for Services or Community Use, is a legal requirement. A Safeguarding Officer has been in post during the period covered by this report.

There have been no reportable Safeguarding Issues during the period since the original 2025 Trustees Report and the 31st December 2025.

Sunday Worship Services

Due to the difficulties mentioned above, the numbers attending Sunday Worship have declined considerably. The services have continued each Sunday, and the Trustees would like to thank all who have assisted in recent days in worship and the ministry of the word.

Coffee Morning

The weekly Coffee Morning has continued during 2025 and has been a successful feature of Church life. It has had a regular attendance of between 7 and 15. The Coffee Morning has attracted several people from outside the church congregation.

Monday Morning Bible Study and Prayer Meeting

We have been holding a weekly Bible Study and Prayer Meeting on Monday mornings It is a further extension of the outreach of BGBC to others. It is hoped this will continue as a regular feature of Church life.

Stay and Play

The weekly Stay and Play activity has continued. It is organised by someone not a member of BGBC. It has been well attended and the Trustees regard it as a very worthwhile outreach from the Church.

Community Use

The Church premises have continued to be made available to a number of organisations. The major user is the Barnt Green Pirates who provide an after school club on weekdays during term times. They also operate a holiday club during some of the school breaks. The Barnt Green Women's Institute meet monthly, and there are also weekly activities for young children for ballet classes. A Pilates group also meet weekly. The Barnt Green Parish Council also make occasional use of a room in the Church. BGBC make a charge for the use of their facilities, but this is based on an "at cost" basis

Financial Report

The Accounts for the calendar year 2025 form part of the report of the Trustees. As required by the Charity Commission the accounts have been "Examined" by accountants – Matthew J. Elmes & Co. Their certificate of a satisfactory examination forms part of the accounts. A full audit was not undertaken as the level of BGBC annual income is below the threshold for this requirement.

Financial Reserves Policy

It would appear that BGBC have substantial financial reserves. These reserves are due to the sale of the Church Manse in 2023. Due to two factors the Trustees believe that the level of reserves is at the correct level:

1. Due to much diminished giving to the Church following the substantial reduction in membership, BGBC had needed to draw on these reserves each month to keep its finances in balance.
2. If, and when, a new Minister is appointed, it is possible that the Church will be required to purchase another manse for that person. The cost of such a purchase would, with the current cost of properties in Barnt Green and surrounding areas, almost certainly need all of the reserves and also require additional finance by borrowing.


Future Policy and Aims

The previous Trustees Report mentioned the task of re-building BGBC into a fully functioning Church. Members confidence in each other and in the Leadership needs to be fully restored. We trust that this will be achieved by much prayer but also by repentance for and forgiveness of past actions which have proved to be very destructive. The need for new members, particularly families, is paramount, if the Church is to grow again.

Signed by the Trustees



Andy Titmarsh



Nigel Stevens



Shirley Titmarsh



Dated



Elizabeth Kelly

BARNT GREEN BAPTIST CHURCH
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Financial Activity	Notes	Year ended 31 Dec 2025 £	Year ended 31 Dec 2024 £
Income:			
Donations and other income	2	24,831	54,454
Income tax recovered on gifts		5,862	9,265
Investment income	3	13,586	18,168
Church rents		13,660	10,291
Total Income		57,939	92,178
Expenditure:			
Minister and manse costs	4	57,495	65,181
Mission (including Worship + Youth)	5	11,519	9,715
Upkeep of church premises	6	16,785	20,846
Administration	7	1,935	2,104
Total Expenditure		87,734	97,846
Net movement in funds – inflow/(outflow)		(29,795)	(5,668)
Total cash funds brought forward	9	386,705	392,373
Total cash funds carried forward	9	356,910	386,705

BARNT GREEN BAPTIST CHURCH

BALANCE SHEET

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Financial Activity	Notes	31 Dec 2025 £	31 Dec 2024 £
<i>Fixed assets retained for Church use</i>			
Church Building and Contents	8	1,565,000	1,565,000
<i>Current assets</i>			
Cash Deposits	9	356,910	386,705
Total Assets		<u>1,921,910</u>	<u>1,951,705</u>
 Funds of the Charity			
Unrestricted Funds	10	1,921,910	1,951,705
Total funds		<u>1,921,910</u>	<u>1,951,705</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 12th April 2026
and signed on their behalf by:



Nigel Stevens
Treasurer and Trustee

BARNT GREEN BAPTIST CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

1. Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies adopted by the Charity, which is a public benefit entity, in the preparation of the accounts are as follows.

1.1 Basis of preparation

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the inclusion of charitable properties and fixed asset investments and investment properties at valuation.

These 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.

These accounts are presented in pounds sterling and rounded to the nearest pound.

1.2 Going concern

The Trustees have prepared financial projections, taking into consideration the current economic conditions and have, at the time of approving these accounts, a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

2. Donations and other income

Analysis	Year ended 31 Dec 2025	Year ended 31 Dec 2024
	£	£
Gifts, donations and covenants	24,603	54,119
Other income	228	335
	<hr/> 24,831 <hr/>	<hr/> 54,454 <hr/>

3. Investment income

Analysis	Year ended 31 Dec 2025	Year ended 31 Dec 2024
	£	£
Bank Interest	<u>13,586</u>	<u>18,168</u>

4. Minister and manse costs

Analysis	Year ended 31 Dec 2025	Year ended 31 Dec 2024
	£	£
Minister	46,137	44,616
Pension	4,939	5,233
Expenses	3,179	2,344
Miscellaneous (Housing/NI/Adjs)	3,240	12,988
Mortgage Interest	-	-
Maintenance	-	-
Council Tax	-	-
Water	-	-
Telephone	-	-
	<u>57,495</u>	<u>65,181</u>

5. Mission costs

Analysis	Year ended 31 Dec 2025	Year ended 31 Dec 2024
	£	£
Home Mission (Baptist Union)	2,888	1,200
World Mission (Baptist Union)	2,420	1,200
Judy Cooke Hope Home	5,817	5,520
Local Mission	-	-
The Message Trust	-	-
Worship and Pastoral	455	1,400
Sunday School (net of grant)	(61)	395
	<u>11,519</u>	<u>9,715</u>

6. Upkeep of church premises

Analysis	Year ended 31 Dec 2025	Year ended 31 Dec 2024
	£	£
Gas	3,958	10,163
Electricity	1,240	2,215
Water	216	191
Telephone/Broadband	507	489
Cleaning	2,489	933
Waste Collection	811	738
Insurance	1,577	1,544
Maintenance	2,938	2,967
Equipment	3,049	1,606
Miscellaneous	-	-
	<u>16,785</u>	<u>20,846</u>

7. Administration

Analysis	Year ended 31 Dec 2025	Year ended 31 Dec 2024
	£	£
Catering	99	398
Payroll Services	158	-
Independent Accounts Examiner	480	523
Affiliation Fees/Licences	886	523
Miscellaneous	240	1,181
Bank Charges	72	2
	<u>1,935</u>	<u>2,104</u>

8. Church building and contents

	£
Cost or valuation	
At 1 January 2025	1,565,000
Additions	-
Disposals	-
Revaluation	-
Transfers	-
At 31 December 2025	<u>1,565,000</u>
Depreciation and impairments	
At 1 January 2025	-
Charge for the Period	-
Disposals	-
Revaluations	-
Transfers	-
At 31 December 2025	<u>-</u>
Net book value	
At 1 January 2025	<u>1,565,000</u>
At 31 December 2025	<u>1,565,000</u>

9. Cash deposits

Analysis	31 Dec 2025	31 Dec 2024
	£	£
Unity Trust Bank Current Account	6,833	10,697
Unity Trust Bank Deposit Account	10,180	11,397
HEBA Deposit Accounts	339,614	361,332
BU Corp Ltd Deposit Account	-	3,279
Petty Cash	283	-
	<u>356,910</u>	<u>386,705</u>

10. Unrestricted funds

Fund names	Fund balance brought forward	Income	Expenditure	Revaluation	Fund balance carried forward
	£	£	£	£	£
General Fund	1,951,705	57,939	(87,734)	-	1,921,910



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name
BARNT GREEN BAPTIST CHURCH

On accounts for the year ended

31 December 2025	Charity no (if any)	1144228
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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the period ended **31 / 12 / 2025**.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

Signed: *M J Elmes*

Date: 2 March 2026

Name: Matthew John Elmes

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

ICAEW / ACCA

Address:

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Warwickshire, B49 5DP

Section B

Disclosure

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

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

N/A

BARNT GREEN BAPTIST CHURCH

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Accounts

Barnt Green Baptist Church

Trustees Report for 2024/2025

and

Annual Accounts for the Year Ended 31st December 2024

Trustees Report for 2024 and an Update for 2025

Governance

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3. Charity Registration

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4. Trustees

The appointed Trustees at the time of this report – September 2025 – were:-

		Appointed
Rev Peter Worth	Minister	May 2000
Andy Titmarsh	Elder	23 rd March 2025
Shirley Titmarsh	Deacon	23 rd March 2025
Elizabeth Kelly	Deacon	30 th May 2025
Nigel Stevens	Treasurer	18 th May 2025

Trustees who resigned during the period 1st January 2024 to the current date:-

		Resigned
John Grundy	Elder	11 th March 2025
Sue Marks	Elder	1 st December 2024
Rev Peter Cook	Mission Deacon	11 th March 2025
Stuart Marks	Fabric Deacon	11 th March 2025
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Note

Elizabeth Kelly resigned as Secretary/Treasurer with effect from 30th May 2025. She will, however, continue to serve as a Deacon without specific responsibilities for the remainder of her appointed term. Rev Peter Worth will cease to be a Trustee on 30th November 2025 when his tenure as minister comes to an end.

Trustees Statement

With one exception none of the present Trustees served during the year 2024. Elizabeth Kelly serves as Secretary/Treasurer for a very short period at the end of 2024.

The present Trustees, in submitting this report, ask for understanding as the events in the Church in 2024 and through into 2025, have caused considerable difficulties with the Governance of BGBC. Every attempt is being made to ensure that BGBC is able to continue with a stable and bible based foundation as a fully functioning Church and place of witness in the Barnt Green and local area.

The BGBC minister, Rev Peter Worth, will be resigning his position with effect from 30th November 2025. The Trustees are actively working with the Heart of England Baptist Association (HEBA), to appoint a "Moderator" to act as interim minister until a new minister can be appointed. The appointment of a new minister is likely to be a lengthy process.

The present Trustees wish to place on record their appreciation for the faithful service rendered by Peter Worth to BGBC over more than 24 years. His record of service to so many in the Church and in the wider community will be hard to replicate. We also extend our thanks to Pete's wife Cathryn, and daughters Livvy and Carrie for their loyal support to Pete, and to BGBC.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding of all persons attending BGBC whether for Services or Community Use, is a legal requirement. A Safeguarding Officer has been in post during the period covered by this report.

During 2024/2025 a Church member was involved in causing various incidents of verbal abuse and one incident of physical abuse. The Safeguarding Officer and a Trustee interviewed the member concerned as this was regarded as a serious matter. The member agreed to resign their membership of BGBC and has not attended Church since.

There were no other Safeguarding Issues in this period which need to be recorded.

Data Breach

The Trustees recently became aware that there had been a Data Breach affecting the Church. This breach involved the illegal recording of Church Business meetings and Trustees Meetings. There were also instances of illegal recording of personal conversations. The Trustees sought legal advice on this matter and were also required to report the breach to the ICO (The Government's Information Commissioner's Office).

The Trustees are satisfied that their actions to deal with this situation have followed legal requirements. The present position is that the Data Breach activity has ceased and that they have been informed that all illegal recordings have been deleted. Whilst it is open to any Church member to take legal action against the perpetrator, the Trustees propose to take no further action.

Sunday Worship Services

Due to the difficulties mentioned above, the numbers attending Sunday Worship have declined considerably. The services have continued each Sunday, and the Trustees would like to thank all who have assisted in recent days in worship and the ministry of the word.

Children's Ministry

During 2024 BGBC has been blessed by having so many children and young teens attending Church. The Trustees wish to extend their thanks to all members who have assisted in any way the nurturing of these young ones, who are "precious to God". This work at the moment is not continuing due to a lack of children attending.

Coffee Morning

When the “Warm Space Project” was suggested by the Government in 2023, BGBC commenced a weekly coffee morning each Wednesday. At the request of those attending this has continued and has been a successful feature of Church life for over 2 years. It has had a regular attendance of between 7 and 15. The Coffee Morning has attracted several people from outside the church congregation, at least two of whom are now attending Church services regularly. A number have been blessed in coming, particularly one who was suffering grief over the loss of his wife.

Monday Morning Bible Study

We have been holding a weekly Bible Study on Monday mornings at 11.30 mainly for those who cannot easily get out at night. We have been running for about three months, and after a two -week break have continued together with a good lively participation by all concerned. It is a further extension of the outreach of BGBC to others. It is hoped this will continue as a regular feature of Church life.

Stay and Play

The weekly Stay and Play activity operated by BGBC ceased to operate. A new activity has commenced although in a different format. Church members are no longer involved in any of its organisation or operation. In its new format it has been well attended. To assist in the startup of this new venture a grant was received from the Onesimus Trust, a local based Christian Charitable Trust.

Community Use

The Church premises have been made available to a number of organisations. The major user are Barnt Green Pirates who provide an after school club on weekdays during term times. They also operate a holiday club during some of the school breaks. The Barnt Green Women’s Institute meet monthly, and there are also weekly activities for young children for ballet and drama classes. A Pilates group also meet weekly. BGBC make a charge for the use of their facilities, but this is based on an “at cost” basis.

Financial Report

The Accounts for the calendar year 2024 form part of the report of the Trustees. Although the currently appointed Treasurer prepared the Accounts, he was not responsible for any of the financial transactions recorded. As required by the Charity Commission the accounts have been “Examined” by accountants – Matthew Elmes & Co. Their certificate of a satisfactory examination forms part of the accounts. A full audit was not undertaken as the level of BGBC annual income is below the threshold for this requirement.

Financial Reserves Policy

Due to the circumstances of the latter part of 2024 a financial review, including a reserves policy was never completed. The thoughts of the present trustees, to be agreed by a church members meeting, are the following.

It would appear that BGBC have substantial financial reserves. These reserves are due to the sale of the Church Manse in 2023. Due to two factors the Trustees believe that the level of reserves is at the correct level:

1. Due to much diminished giving to the Church due to the substantial reduction in membership, BGBC is needing to draw on these reserves each month to keep its finances in balance.
2. If, and when, a new Minister is appointed, it is possible that the Church will be required to purchase another manse for that person. The cost of such a purchase would, with the current cost of properties in Barnt Green and surrounding areas, almost certainly need all of the reserves and also require additional finance by borrowing.

Future Policy and Aims

The task of re-building BGBC into a fully functioning Church is very likely to put further pressure on the Trustees. Members confidence in each other and in the Leadership needs to be fully restored. We trust that this will be achieved by much prayer but also by repentance for and forgiveness of past actions which have proved to be very destructive. The need for new members, particularly families, is paramount, if the Church is to grow again.


Another major item which will require Trustee consideration is the Baptist Union's (BU) support for the "Net Zero" objectives. The BU are supporting ambitious action towards the implementation of such policies. They recommend that individual Churches explore options such as:

1. Solar PV Panels: Installing solar panels on church roofs to generate clean, renewable electricity.
2. Heat Pumps: Utilizing heat pumps and other low-energy solutions for heating.
3. Energy Audits: Conducting energy audits to identify areas for energy reduction and efficiency improvements.
4. Green Tariffs: Switching to 100% renewable electricity from green energy providers.

Signed by the Trustees



Andy Titmarsh



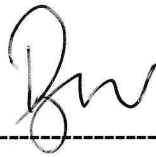
Shirley Titmarsh



Elizabeth Kelly



Nigel Stevens



Rev. Peter Worth



Dated

Registered Charity Number : 1144228

BARNT GREEN BAPTIST CHURCH

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 DECEMBER 2024



BARNT GREEN BAPTIST CHURCH
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

Financial Activity	Notes	Year ended 31 Dec 2024 £	Year ended 31 Dec 2023 £
Income:			
Donations and other income	2	54,454	33,283
Income tax recovered on gifts		9,265	8,233
Investment income	3	18,168	10,990
Church rents		10,291	16,106
Total Income		92,178	68,612
Expenditure:			
Minister and manse costs	4	65,181	58,944
Mission (including Worship + Youth)	5	9,715	20,852
Upkeep of church premises	6	20,846	18,259
Administration	7	2,104	2,937
Total Expenditure		97,846	100,992
Net movement in funds – inflow/(outflow)		(5,668)	(32,380)
Total cash funds brought forward	9	392,373	40,857
Proceeds of sale of Manse		-	483,999
Repayment of mortgage		-	(100,103)
Total cash funds carried forward	9	386,705	392,373

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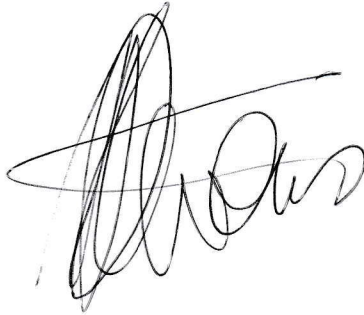
BALANCE SHEET

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

Financial Activity	Notes	31 Dec 2024 £	31 Dec 2023 £
<i>Fixed assets retained for Church use</i>			
Church Building and Contents	8	1,565,000	1,008,455
<i>Current assets</i>			
Cash Deposits	9	386,705	392,373
Total Assets		<u>1,951,705</u>	<u>1,400,828</u>
Funds of the Charity			
Unrestricted Funds	10	1,951,705	1,400,828
Total funds		<u>1,951,705</u>	<u>1,400,828</u>

The financial statements were approved by the trustees on 8 September 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

Nigel Stevens
Treasurer and Trustee



BARNT GREEN BAPTIST CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

1. Accounting policies

The principal accounting policies adopted by the Charity, which is a public benefit entity, in the preparation of the accounts are as follows.

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2. Donations and other income

Analysis	Year ended 31 Dec 2024	Year ended 31 Dec 2023
	£	£
Gifts, donations and covenants	54,119	33,141
Other income	335	142
	<hr/> 54,454 <hr/>	<hr/> 33,283 <hr/>

3. Investment income

Analysis	Year ended 31 Dec 2024	Year ended 31 Dec 2023
	£	£
Bank Interest	<u>18,168</u>	<u>10,990</u>

4. Minister and manse costs

Analysis	Year ended 31 Dec 2024	Year ended 31 Dec 2023
	£	£
Minister	44,616	42,133
Pension	5,233	4,431
Expenses	2,344	1,777
Miscellaneous (Housing/NI)	12,988	7,804
Mortgage Interest	-	1,892
Maintenance	-	31
Council Tax	-	663
Water	-	32
Telephone	-	181
	<u>65,181</u>	<u>58,944</u>

5. Mission costs

Analysis	Year ended 31 Dec 2024	Year ended 31 Dec 2023
	£	£
Home Mission (Baptist Union)	1,200	8,400
Baptist Mission Services	1,200	2,400
Judy Cooke Hope Home	5,520	5,520
Local Mission	-	1,900
The Message Trust	-	1,440
Worship and Pastoral	1,400	940
Sunday School	395	252
	<u>9,715</u>	<u>20,852</u>

6. Upkeep of church premises

Analysis	Year ended	Year ended
	31 Dec 2024	31 Dec 2023
	£	£
Gas	10,163	3,770
Electricity	2,215	4,484
Water	191	167
Telephone/Broadband	489	346
Cleaning	933	1,918
Waste Collection	738	1,319
Insurance	1,544	1,168
Planned Maintenance	2,967	1,377
Unplanned Maintenance	-	2,194
Equipment	1,606	1,115
Miscellaneous	-	401
	<hr/> 20,846 <hr/>	<hr/> 18,259 <hr/>

7. Administration

Analysis	Year ended	Year ended
	31 Dec 2024	31 Dec 2023
	£	£
Catering	398	176
Stationery	-	137
Affiliation Fees/Licences	523	1,052
Bank Charges	2	1,072
Miscellaneous	1,181	500
	<hr/> 2,104 <hr/>	<hr/> 2,937 <hr/>

8. Church building and contents

	£
Cost or valuation	
At 1 January 2024	1,008,455
Additions	-
Disposals	-
Revaluation	556,545
Transfers	-
At 31 December 2024	<u>1,565,000</u>
Depreciation and impairments	
At 1 January 2024	-
Charge for the Period	-
Disposals	-
Revaluations	-
Transfers	-
At 31 December 2024	<u>-</u>
Net book value	
At 1 January 2024	<u>1,008,455</u>
At 31 December 2024	<u>1,565,000</u>

9. Cash deposits

Analysis	31 Dec 2024	31 Dec 2023
	£	£
Unity Trust Bank Current Account	10,697	4,737
Unity Trust Bank Deposit Account	11,397	4,019
HEBA Deposit Accounts	361,332	380,411
BU Corp Ltd Deposit Account	3,279	3,206
	<u>386,705</u>	<u>392,373</u>

10. Unrestricted funds

Fund names	Fund balance brought forward	Income	Expenditure	Revaluation	Fund balance carried forward
	£	£	£	£	£
General Fund	1,400,828	92,178	(97,846)	556,545	1,951,705



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name
BARNT GREEN BAPTIST CHURCH

On accounts for the year ended

31 December 2024	Charity no (if any)	1144228
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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the period ended **31 / 12 / 2024**.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

Signed: *M J Elmes*

Date: 8 September 2025

Name: Matthew John Elmes

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any): ICAEW / ACCA

Address: 11 Swan Street
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Warwickshire, B49 5DP

BARNT GREEN BAPTIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1144228

Accounts

BARNT GREEN BAPTIST CHURCH
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023

CHARITY INFORMATION

Charity: Barnt Green Baptist Church

Charity Number: 1144228

Address: Barnt Green Baptist Church
Bittell Road
Barnt Green
Birmingham
B45 8UL

Trustees: Rev'd Peter Worth
Stuart Marks
Sue Marks
Hannah Jeffrey
John Grundy
Rev'd Peter Cook

Reporting Accountants: C J Petty Limited
Chestnut House
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Stafford
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REPORT FROM THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023

Structure, Governance and Management

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The members' meeting normally takes place at least four times per year and has responsibility for the overall policy of the Church. In accordance with the Constitution, the members appoint trustees to manage the day-to-day life of the Church, and each trustee oversees a particular area of Church life. These include elders and deacons, two of these taking roles of treasurer and secretary. Trustee meetings are held monthly and are chaired by the minister. Trustees are responsible for the life of the Church both spiritual and practical, and including the legal and financial aspects of the Church as a charity.

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Recruitment and Appointment of New Trustees

Trustee candidates are nominated by the Church membership. The members have to vote on their appointment. The Church governing document sets out who is eligible to become a trustee. Trustees shall be appointed for an initial three-year term with the opportunity to be nominated for re-appointment at the end of each three-year term.

Trustees

The trustees in office at some point in the year ended 31st December 2023 and at the date of this report were:

Rev'd Peter Worth (Minister, acting secretary and chair)

Bryan Johnson (Treasurer) – resigned January 2024

John Grundy (Elder) – from 7th February 2023

Sue Marks (Elder)

Rev'd Peter Cook (Overseas Mission) – from July 2023

Stuart Marks (Fabric)

Hannah Jeffrey (Families & Pastoral)

Risk assessment

The trustees have identified and considered all regulatory, financial and operating risks and implemented procedures to monitor risks.

Public Benefit Statement

The trustees confirm that:

In the exercise of their powers as charity trustees, they have had due regard to the published guidance from the charity commission on the operation of the public benefit requirement.

Objectives and Activities

The principal purpose of the charity is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination to include the advancement of education, community service and such other general charitable purposes in such parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the Church shall determine.

In order to achieve the principal objective, which is set out above, the Church provides a variety of activities both to its membership and to the community generally. The aim is to show the love of Jesus Christ in both word and deed and to bring people into a closer relationship with Him as the living Lord. The Church also seeks to provide a safe space where community activities can take place. Currently this includes, among other things, a Women's Institute, a ballet group for pre-schoolers, a home-schooling group, and after school club. The hall is also open to members of the community to book for parties or other purposes.

Central to the work and witness of the Church is the provision of regular public services of Christian worship. The main service takes place each Sunday at 10.30 am in the Church building and on-line if needed. There are also occasional services at other times which are advertised on the Church notice board, Facebook, Twitter and the website at bgb.org.uk. There is a full children's programme during the morning services. The Church seeks to be a friendly and welcoming community, and anybody is free to attend any of these services. Its aims are summed up in the Church tag line "Nobody's perfect, everybody's welcome, anything is possible".

The Church runs a Bible Study, Prayer Meeting and social events for the growth of faith and discipleship of members. These are often held both in person and online. From time to time the Church runs courses in parenting, money management, stress relief, and courses for people interested in discovering more about Christianity, entitled 'Alpha'. Other 'investigating Christianity' courses are also being currently examined for the future.

REPORT FROM THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023 (cont'd)

The Church runs various events for young people.

The Church operates systems set out as best practice by the Baptist Union of Great Britain to ensure that all people working with children and vulnerable adults are appropriately vetted regarding the Disclosure and Barring Service.

The Church has read the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit and is satisfied that the activities outlined above clearly demonstrate that the charity is providing a benefit to the public.

Achievements and Performance

The Church does not measure the success of its programmes only in numbers, including financial numbers, but also in less tangible areas like fellowship and encouragement. Although a number of folk left during the pandemic to attend larger churches and other expressions of faith, the Church has had several new families start attending. It has reconstituted its worship group and has some talented musicians at its disposal, coffee before or after a service and a new way of doing services so that the focus for each service is clear. This includes the 5th Sunday being 'Fellowship Sunday' to enable the congregation to better know each other.

The Church has, in common with all charities and churches, found the last few years a huge challenge as well as a steep learning curve. Financially we have had to find ways of coping with significant reductions in letting income and in giving. The Church members have been kept aware of these challenges. It is fortunate that the Church had significant reserve and resources to enable it to both continue with its charitable giving and also start to rebuild the church. However, the membership is aware, that as a charity completely funded by its own members and its charitable activities, there is a need for increased giving in 2024. After much discussion the Church disposed of its manse in 2023 and is currently conducting a financial review to determine the best use of those funds, and to establish a new reserves policy. The Minister now resides in a private house locally and part of his stipend package reflects the Church's responsibility to provide a housing allowance.

Average attendance at Sunday worship services has been 28 to 38 adults, plus 8 to 16 children. It was significantly higher for the Church 'Carols by Candlelight'. The KidsChurch has flourished with the addition of a number of new families. We have celebrated a Baptism this financial year and are currently looking forward to starting a new 'stay and play' initiative in 2024.

The Church has good relationships with the local council - Barnt Green Parish Council – and other churches in Barnt Green.

The Church continues to raise the funds which it needs to carry on its activities from within its own membership and congregation. No wider public appeal was made for funds during the year.

The most significant fixed expenses relating to the mortgage on the church manse were removed from our outgoings with the sale of the asset. The stipend for the Minister of the Church will be reviewed during 2024 and the associated pension contributions are expected to drop. The Church is a participating employer within the Defined Benefit section of the Baptist Pension Scheme and has been making ongoing deficit payments to cover the costs of past service of its employees within the scheme under a recovery plan devised by the Baptist Union Pension Scheme and known as the 'family plan'. The Church understands that if it had left the scheme at the year end, it would have to have made a one-off payment estimated to be £1000 to meet its statutory obligations to the scheme. This matter is currently under discussion by the pension trustees and the defined benefit part of the pension is due to be sold off. The stipend is to enable Rev'd Peter Worth to envision, lead and co-ordinate the Church's activities, including the Sunday Services and pastoral care for not just the members but also the wider community, and to equip and encourage membership in their life, Christian witness and service.

The Church expressed its part in the life of the wider church by making grants to national and international Christian organisations and societies with Christian aims and objectives compatible with the Church's own charitable purpose. These included other Baptist Churches, NewStarts, BMS, Home Mission and Hope Home in Thailand, founded by our own member Judy Cook, Operation Mobilisation, the Message Trust and some hardship grants given out.

The Church is heavily dependent on its membership working as volunteers in all aspects of the Church's activities, many of which run with little or no impact on the Church's expenditure, but nevertheless contribute substantially to the achievement of the Church's objectives.

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

REPORT FROM THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023 (cont'd)

Financial Review

Receipts for 2023

General	£68612
Sale proceeds of Manse	<u>£483999</u>
Total	<u>£552611</u>

Payments for 2023

General	£100992
Mortgage repayment	<u>£100103</u>
Total	<u>£201095</u>

Unity Trust Bank current account	<u>£4737</u>
Unity Trust Bank deposit account	<u>£4019</u>
HEBA deposit account	<u>£ 380411</u>
BU Corp Ltd long-term deposit	<u>£ 3206</u>

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

BARNT GREEN BAPTIST CHURCH

I report to the trustees/members on my examination of the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of the report

As the charity trustees 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 accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 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 charity 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 contents 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.

Signed



C J Petty FCA

On behalf of C J Petty Ltd
Chartered Accountants
Chestnut House
High Offley Road
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Stafford
ST20 0LG

4th March 2024

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

		Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
		£	£	£	£	£
Receipts						
Weekly offerings		-	-	-	-	400
Donations and other income	Note 4a	33283	-	-	33283	38938
Income tax recovered on gifts		8233	-	-	8233	8979
Investment income	Note 4b	10990	-	-	10990	482
Church rents		<u>16106</u>	-	-	<u>16106</u>	<u>29626</u>
		<u>68612</u>	-	-	<u>68612</u>	<u>78425</u>
Payments						
Ministry	Note 4c	58944	-	-	58944	61009
Mission	Note 4f	20852	-	-	20852	17005
Upkeep of church premises	Note 4g	18259	-	-	18259	17183
Administration	Note 4h	<u>2937</u>	-	-	<u>2937</u>	<u>1288</u>
		<u>100992</u>	-	-	<u>100992</u>	<u>96485</u>
Excess of Payments over Receipts		-32380	-	-	-32380	-18060
Bank current/deposit accounts at 1 January 2023		40857	-	-	40857	63165
Proceeds of sale of Manse		483999	-	-	483999	-
Repayment of mortgage		<u>-100103</u>	-	-	<u>-100103</u>	<u>-4248</u>
Bank current/deposit accounts at 31 December 2023		<u>392373</u>	-	-	<u>392373</u>	<u>40857</u>

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Cash Funds

Unity Trust Bank current account	4737	-	-	4737	8737
Unity Trust Bank deposit account	4019	-	-	4019	11134
HEBA deposit account	380411	-	-	380411	-
BU Corp Ltd deposit account	<u>3206</u>	-	-	<u>3206</u>	<u>20986</u>
	<u>392373</u>			<u>392373</u>	<u>40857</u>


Assets retained for Church use (note 2)

Church building	1008455	-	-	1008455	1008455
Manse	-	-	-	-	<u>214365</u>
	<u>1008455</u>	-	-	<u>1008455</u>	<u>1222820</u>

Liabilities

Mortgage	-	-	-	-	<u>100103</u>
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The accounts and statement of assets set out on pages 5 to 8 relating to the year ended 31st December 2023 are approved by the church members meeting

Signed 

Rev Peter Worth

Date 21/4/24

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023

1. Basis of the Accounts

These accounts have been prepared on a 'receipts and payments' basis and accord with S.132 Charities Act 2011

2. Fixed assets

Fixed assets retained for Church use is the Church building.

The Church is the beneficial owner (subject to the relevant trusts) of the following assets, the legal title to which is held by the Church's custodian trustee the Heart of England Baptist Association (HEBA): Church premises at Bittell Road, Barnt Green, Birmingham, West Midlands, B45 8LU shown at insured value and fixtures fittings and equipment with an insured value of £67229.

3. The movements in designated and restricted funds during the year were:

	Opening Balance	Receipts	Payments	Transfer	Closing Balance
	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted Fund	-	-	-	-	-

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£

4. Receipts & Payments Analysis

a. Donations and other income

Covenants	33141	-	-	33141	38900
Other income	<u>142</u>	-	-	<u>142</u>	<u>38</u>
	<u>33283</u>	-	-	<u>33283</u>	<u>38938</u>

b. Investment income

Bank interest	<u>10990</u>	-	-	<u>10990</u>	<u>482</u>
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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

		Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
		£	£	£	£	£
4. Receipts and Payments Analysis - continued						
c. Ministry costs						
Staff costs	Note 4d	56145	-	-	56145	52010
Manse costs	Note 4e	<u>2799</u>	-	-	<u>2799</u>	<u>8999</u>
		<u>58944</u>	-	-	<u>58944</u>	<u>61009</u>
d. Staff costs						
Stipend minister		42133	-	-	42133	41897
NI & Tax		-	-	-	-	-
Pension		4431	-	-	4431	7638
Expenses		1777	-	-	1777	1810
Staff miscellaneous		<u>7804</u>	-	-	<u>7804</u>	<u>665</u>
		<u>56145</u>	-	-	<u>56145</u>	<u>52010</u>
e. Manse costs						
Mortgage interest		1892	-	-	1892	4686
Planned maintenance		-	-	-	-	198
Unplanned maintenance		31	-	-	31	339
Council tax		663	-	-	663	2479
Insurance		-	-	-	-	-
Water		32	-	-	32	272
Telephone		<u>181</u>	-	-	<u>181</u>	<u>1025</u>
		<u>2799</u>	-	-	<u>2799</u>	<u>8999</u>
f. Mission costs						
Home Mission (Baptist Union)		8400	-	-	8400	2760
Baptist Mission Services		2400	-	-	2400	2760
Judy Cooke Hope Home		5520	-	-	5520	5520
Local Mission		1900	-	-	1900	840
Miscellaneous		-	-	-	-	83
Operation Mobilisation		-	-	-	-	2240
The Message Trust		1440	-	-	1440	1920
Fellowship gifts		940	-	-	940	540
Sunday School		252	-	-	252	342
Young People Miscellaneous		-	-	-	-	-
		<u>20852</u>	-	-	<u>20852</u>	<u>17005</u>

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
		£	£	£	£
4. Receipts and Payments Analysis - continued					
g. Upkeep of Church premises					
Gas	3770	-	-	3770	3765
Electricity	4484	-	-	4484	2389
Water	167	-	-	167	95
Telephone	346	-	-	346	309
Cleaning	1918	-	-	1918	1987
Waste collection	1319	-	-	1319	664
Insurance	1168	-	-	1168	1734
Planned maintenance	1377	-	-	1377	376
Unplanned maintenance	2194	-	-	2194	1336
Equipment	1115	-	-	1115	3809
Miscellaneous	<u>401</u>	-	-	<u>401</u>	<u>719</u>
	<u>18259</u>	-	-	<u>18259</u>	<u>17183</u>
h. Administration					
Catering	176	-	-	176	-
Stationery	137	-	-	137	40
Affiliation fees/licences	1052	-	-	1052	1176
Bank charges	1072	-	-	1072	72
Miscellaneous	<u>500</u>	-	-	<u>500</u>	-
	<u>2937</u>	-	-	<u>2937</u>	<u>1288</u>

BARNT GREEN BAPTIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1144228

Accounts

BARNT GREEN BAPTIST CHURCH
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

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TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

The treasurer, on behalf of the trustees, presents the Annual Report and Financial Statements for 2022. The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of this report are listed below.

Structure, Governance and Management

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Trustee candidates are nominated by the Church membership. The members have to vote on their appointment. The Church governing document sets out who is eligible to become a trustee. Trustees shall be appointed for an initial three-year term with the opportunity to be nominated for re-appointment at the end of each three-year term. In 2022 we will be looking for several new trustees.

Trustees

The trustees in office at some point in the year ended 31st December 2022 and at the date of this report were:

Rev Peter Worth (Minister)
Bryan Johnson (Treasurer) – appointed March 2022
Ian Bowers (Elder)
Stuart Marks (Elder) FABRIC
Sue Marks (Elder) ELDER
Hannah Jeffrey (Families & Pastoral) – appointed March 2022

Reserves Policy

The reserves policy was suspended in December 2022 by a motion voted on at the Church members meeting, which also approved the budgets for 2023.

Risk Assessment

The trustees have identified and considered all regulatory, financial and operating risks and implemented procedures to monitor risks.

Public Benefit Statement

The trustees confirm that:

In the exercise of their powers as charity trustees, they have had due regard to the published guidance from the charity commission on the operation of the public benefit requirement.

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The principal purpose of the charity is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination to include the advancement of education, community service and such other general charitable purposes in such parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the Church shall determine.

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TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022 (cont'd)

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The Church operates systems set out as best practice by the Baptist Union of Great Britain to ensure that all people working with children and vulnerable adults are appropriately vetted with regard to the Disclosure and Barring Service.

The Church has read the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit and is satisfied that the activities outlined above clearly demonstrate that the charity is providing a benefit to the public.

Achievements and Performance

The Church does not measure the success of its programmes only in numbers, including financial numbers, but also in less tangible areas like fellowship and encouragement. Although a number of folk left during the pandemic to attend larger churches and other expressions of faith, the Church has had several new families start attending. It has reconstituted its worship group and has some talented musicians at its disposal, coffee before or after a service and a new way of doing services so that the focus for each service is clear. This includes the 5th Sunday being 'Fellowship Sunday' to enable the congregation to better know each other.

The Church has, in common with all charities and churches, found the last few years a huge challenge as well as a steep learning curve. Financially we have had to find ways of coping with significant reductions in letting income and in giving over these years. The Church members have been kept aware of these challenges. It was fortunate that the Church's reserve policy has meant that there are significant resources to enable it to both continue with its charitable giving and also start to rebuild church as we come out of the pandemic. However, the membership is aware, that as a charity completely funded by its own members and its charitable activities, there is a need for increased giving in 2023. The Church has also been talking about the possible disposal of its Manse. Votes will be taken on this by members early 2023.

Average attendance at worship services have been back to pre-pandemic levels following some uncertainty over the 21/22 period.

The Church has good relationships with the local council - Barnt Green Parish Council – and other churches in Barnt Green.

The Church continues to raise the funds which it needs to carry on its activities from within its own membership and congregation. No wider public appeal was made for funds during the year.

The most significant fixed expenses relate to the mortgage on the Church Manse, and stipend for the Minister of the Church and associated pension, which included some contributions towards the Baptist Union Defined Pension shortfall known within the Baptist Union as The Family Solution. The deficit contributions were suspended as of November 2021 with the Baptist Ministers Pension Fund looking to sell off the debt accrued on the old defined benefit scheme. The stipend is to enable Rev'd Peter Worth to envision, lead and co-ordinate the Church's activities, including the Sunday Services and pastoral care for the congregation and wider community, and to equip and encourage membership in their life, Christian witness and service.

The Church expressed its part in the life of the wider church by making grants to national and international Christian organisations and societies with Christian aims and objectives compatible with the Church's own charitable purpose. These included other Baptist Churches, Newstarts, BMS, Home Mission and Hope Home in Thailand, founded by our own member Judy Cock, OM, the Message Trust and some hardship grants given out.

The Church is heavily dependent on its membership working as volunteers in all aspects of the Church's activities, many of which run with little or no impact on the Church's expenditure, but nevertheless contribute substantially to the achievement of the Church's objectives.

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

The Church is a participating employer within the Defined Benefit section of the Baptist Pension Scheme and has been making ongoing deficit payments to cover the costs of past service of its employees within the scheme under a recovery plan devised by the Baptist Union Pension Scheme and known as the 'family plan'. The Church understands that if it had left the scheme at the year end, it would have to have made a one-off payment estimated to be £1000 to meet its statutory obligations to the scheme. This is currently under discussion by the trustees.

TREASURERS ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022 (cont'd)

Financial Review

Income for 2022

General

£78425

Expenditure for 2022

General

£96485

Unity Trust Bank current account balance

£ 8737

Unity Trust deposit account balance

£11134

BU Corp Ltd long-term deposit

£20986

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS
BARNT GREEN BAPTIST CHURCH

I report to the trustees/members on my examination of the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of the report

As the charity trustees 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 accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 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 charity 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 contents 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.

Signed


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C J Petty FCA

On behalf of C J Petty Ltd
Chartered Accountants
Chestnut House
High Offley Road
Woodseaves
Stafford
ST20 0LG

27th February 2023

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022


RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Receipts					
Weekly offerings	400	-	-	400	3542
Donations and other income	Note 4a	38938	-	38938	53834
Income tax recovered on gifts		8979	-	8979	15519
Investment income	Note 4b	482	-	482	106
Church rents		<u>29626</u>	-	<u>29626</u>	<u>12209</u>
		<u>78425</u>	-	<u>78425</u>	<u>85210</u>
Payments					
Ministry	Note 4c	61009	-	61009	59832
Mission	Note 4f	17005	-	17005	22132
Upkeep of church premises	Note 4g	17183	-	17183	13712
Administration	Note 4h	<u>1288</u>	-	<u>1288</u>	<u>824</u>
		<u>96485</u>	-	<u>96485</u>	<u>96500</u>
Excess of Payments over Receipts		-18060	-	-18060	-11290
Bank current/deposit accounts at 1 January 2022		63165	-	63165	79061
Mortgage capital payment		<u>-4248</u>	-	<u>-4248</u>	<u>-4606</u>
Bank current/deposit accounts at 31 December 2022		<u>40857</u>	-	<u>40857</u>	<u>63165</u>

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Cash Funds					
Select Account	8737	-	-	8737	2516
Deposit Account	11134	-	-	11134	10021
BU Corp Limited	20986	-	-	20986	50618
Cash	-	-	-	-	<u>10</u>
	<u>40857</u>	-	-	<u>40857</u>	<u>63165</u>
Assets retained for Church use (note 2)					
Church building	1008455	-	-	1008455	1008455
Manse	<u>214365</u>	-	-	<u>214365</u>	<u>214365</u>
	<u>1222820</u>	-	-	<u>1222820</u>	<u>1222820</u>
Liabilities					
Mortgage	<u>100103</u>	-	-	<u>100103</u>	<u>104351</u>

The accounts and statement of assets set out on pages 5 to 8 relating to the year ended 31st December 2022 are approved by the church members meeting

Signed: 

 Rev Peter Worth
 Date: 30/5/23

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
4. Receipts and Payments Analysis - continued					
g. Upkeep of Church premises					
Gas	3765	-	-	3765	1325
Electricity	2389	-	-	2389	959
Water	95	-	-	95	4
Telephone	309	-	-	309	290
Cleaning	1987	-	-	1987	1977
Waste collection	664	-	-	664	-
Insurance	1734	-	-	1734	1729
Planned maintenance	376	-	-	376	893
Unplanned maintenance	1336	-	-	1336	1049
Equipment	3809	-	-	3809	1957
Miscellaneous	<u>719</u>	-	-	<u>719</u>	<u>3529</u>
	<u>17183</u>	-	-	<u>17183</u>	<u>12387</u>
h. Administration					
Catering	-	-	-	-	-
Stationery	40	-	-	40	34
Affiliation fees/licences	1176	-	-	1176	666
Bank charges	<u>72</u>	-	-	<u>72</u>	<u>124</u>
	<u>1288</u>	-	-	<u>1288</u>	<u>824</u>

BARNT GREEN BAPTIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1144228

Accounts

**BARNT GREEN BAPTIST CHURCH
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021**

CHARITY INFORMATION

Charity: Barnt Green Baptist Church

Charity Number: 1144228

Address: Barnt Green Baptist Church
Bittell Road
Barnt Green
Birmingham
B45 8UL

Trustees: Rev Peter Worth
Ian Bowers
Stuart Marks
Sue Marks

Reporting Accountants: C J Petty Limited
Chestnut House
High Offley Road
Woodseaves
Stafford
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TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

The treasurer, on behalf of the trustees, presents the Annual Report and Financial Statements for 2021. The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of this report are listed below.

Structure, Governance and Management

The Charity is governed by an Approved Governing Document. Members of the Church are accepted in accordance with the Constitution which requires them to have made a Christian commitment and a profession of faith in Jesus Christ.

The members' meeting normally takes place at least four times per year and has responsibility for the overall policy of the Church. In accordance with the Constitution, the members appoint trustees to manage the day-to-day life of the Church, and each trustee manages a particular area of Church life. These include elders and deacons, to of these taking roles of treasurer and secretary. These trustees, chaired by the minister, are responsible for the life of the Church both spiritual and practical, and including the legal and financial aspects of the Church as a charity.

All members are encouraged to take an appropriate part in the spiritual and practical tasks involved in the furtherance of the charitable objective.

Relevant matters may be submitted to the Church meeting by the trustees for guidance or may be raised by members in Church meeting for further consideration by the trustees. Though the Constitution permits decisions to be made at Church meetings by appropriate majorities, the Church seeks to work by consensus wherever possible.

Recruitment and Appointment of New Trustees

Trustee candidates are nominated by the Church membership. The members have to vote on their appointment. The Church governing document sets out who is eligible to become a trustee. Trustees shall be appointed for an initial three-year term with the opportunity to be nominated for re-appointment at the end of each three-year term. In 2022 we will be looking for several new trustees.

Trustees

The current trustees are:

Rev Peter Worth
Ian Bowers
Hannah Jeffrey
Bryan Johnson
Stuart Marks
Sue Marks

The trustees in office at some point in the year ended 31st December 2021 were:

Rev Peter Worth
Ian Bowers
Steven Clark
Sarah Clark
James Gibbons
Stuart Marks
Sue Marks
Elizabeth Sloan
Nigel Stevens
Sue Stevens

Reserves Policy

The trustees and members have established a reserves policy to enable the church to function effectively and meet its obligations in the event of a decline in our income or a major cost. Having considered the relevant risks of changes in income and expenditure, the trustees have determined that the appropriate level of reserves is equal to 12 months of the mortgage payments due on the Manse and 9 months gross stipend. This equals £8858 mortgage plus 9 months stipend £28650, totalling £37508. The Church had significantly more than this in its accounts at the end of the year and will be exploring ways of using the extra funds over 2022/23.

Risk Assessment

The trustees have identified and considered all regulatory, financial and operating risks and implemented procedures to monitor risks.

Public Benefit Statement

The trustees confirm that:

In the exercise of their powers as charity trustees, they have had due regard to the published guidance from the charity commission on the operation of the public benefit requirement.

Objectives and Activities

The principal purpose of the charity is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination to include the advancement of education, community service and such other general charitable purposes in such parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the Church shall determine.

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021 (cont'd)

In order to achieve the principal objective, which is set out above, the Church provides a variety of activities both to its membership and to the community generally. The aim is to show the love of Jesus Christ in both word and deed and to bring people into a closer relationship with Him as the living Lord. The Church also seeks to provide a safe space where community activities can take place. Currently this includes, among other things, a before school club, an after-school club, a pre-school non-profit nursery.

Central to the work and witness of the Church is the provision of regular public services of Christian worship. The main service takes place each Sunday at 10.30 am in the Church building and on-line if needed. There are also occasional services at other times which are advertised on the Church notice board, Facebook, Twitter and the website at bgb.org.uk. There is a full children's programme during the morning services. The Church seeks to be a friendly and welcoming community and anybody is free to attend any of these services. Its aims are summed up in the Church tag line "Nobody's perfect, everybody's welcome, anything is possible."

The Church runs a series of house groups for the growth of faith and discipleship in the homes of some members, and further details of these can be obtained from the trustees on request, or at the Sunday services of worship.

From time to time the Church runs courses in parenting, money management, stress relief and courses for people interested in discovering more about Christianity, entitled 'Alpha'. Alpha has been held online in the last two years.

The Church runs various events for young people.

The Church operates systems set out as best practice by the Baptist Union of Great Britain to ensure that all people working with children and vulnerable adults are appropriately vetted with regard to the Disclosure and Barring Service.

The Church has read the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit and is satisfied that the activities outlined above clearly demonstrate that the charity is providing a benefit to the public.

Achievements and Performance

The Church does not measure the success of its programmes only in numbers, including financial numbers, but also in less tangible areas like fellowship and encouragement. The trustees recognise that these are difficult to measure, but believe that 2021, despite some pastoral challenges, was a positive year in the life of the Church, and that it will be able to pursue its mission purposes in 2022 with renewed enthusiasm.

The Church has, in common with all charities and churches, found the last two years a huge challenge as well as a steep learning curve. Financially we have had to find ways of coping with significant reductions in letting income and in giving over these two years. The Church members have been kept aware of these challenges. It was fortunate that the Church's reserve policy has meant that there are significant resources to enable it to both continue with its charitable giving and also start to rebuild church as we come out of the pandemic. However, the membership is aware, that as a charity completely funded by its own members and its charitable activities, there is a need for increased giving in 2022. As such, as we look forward, a 6 month budget has been adopted and the Church members agreed to look at other measures should giving not increase to a level to support full time ministry.

It was not all doom and gloom though.

We ran a successful Alpha course online.

Average attendance at worship services has been difficult to measure with many services again online in 2021, but since we have returned to the building it has remained steady, with good attendances at last year's Christmas Carol services.

Alongside having lost a few members, we have also seen an influx of new families and look forward to welcoming many of these into membership during 2022.

The Church has good relationships with the local council - Barnt Green Parish Council -- and other churches in Barnt Green.

The Church continues to raise the funds which it needs to carry on its activities from within its own membership and congregation. No wider public appeal was made for funds during the year.

The most significant fixed expenses relate to the mortgage on the Church Manse, and stipend for the Minister of the Church and associated pension, which included some contributions towards the Baptist Union Defined Pension shortfall known within the Baptist Union as The Family Solution. The stipend is to enable Rev'd Peter Worth to envision, lead and co-ordinate the Church's activities, including the Sunday Services and pastoral care for the congregation and wider community, and to equip and encourage membership in their life, Christian witness and service.

The Church expressed its part in the life of the wider church by making grants to national and international Christian organisations and societies with Christian aims and objectives compatible with the Church's own charitable purpose. These included Selly Oak Baptist Church, Newstarts, BMS, Home Mission and Hope Home in Thailand, founded by our own member Judy Cook, O.M., the Message Trust and some hardship grants given out.

The Church is heavily dependent on its membership working as volunteers in all aspects of the Church's activities, many of which run with little or no impact on the Church's expenditure, but nevertheless contribute substantially to the achievement of the Church's objectives.

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

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021 (cont'd)

The Church is a participating employer within the Defined Benefit section of the Baptist Pension Scheme and has been making ongoing deficit payments to cover the costs of past service of its employees within the scheme under a recovery plan devised by the Baptist Union Pension Scheme and known as the 'family plan'. The Church understands that if it had left the scheme at the year end, it would have to have made a one-off payment estimated to be £55000 to meet its statutory obligations to the scheme. At this time the Church has no plan to leave the scheme and expects to continue to make payments to the scheme in line with the recovery plan.

Financial Review

Income for 2021

General

£85210

Expenditure for 2021

General

£96500

Unity Trust Bank current account balance

£ 2516

Unity Trust deposit account balance

£10021

BU Corp Ltd long-term deposit

£50618

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

BARNT GREEN BAPTIST CHURCH

I report to the trustees/members on my examination of the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of the report

As the charity trustees 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 accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 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 charity 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 contents 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.

Signed:



C J Petty FCA

On behalf of C J Petty Ltd
Chartered Accountants
Chestnut House
High Offley Road
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Stafford
ST20 0LG

10th March 2022

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
Receipts					
Weekly offerings	3542	-	-	3542	4697
Donations and other income	Note 4a	53834	-	53834	67216
Income tax recovered on gifts		15519	-	15519	15906
Investment income	Note 4b	106	-	106	188
Church rents		<u>12209</u>	-	<u>12209</u>	<u>11994</u>
		<u>85210</u>	-	<u>85210</u>	<u>100001</u>
Payments					
Ministry	Note 4c	59832	-	59832	60795
Mission	Note 4f	22132	-	22132	25346
Upkeep of church premises	Note 4g	13712	-	13712	15704
Administration	Note 4h	<u>824</u>	-	<u>824</u>	<u>2045</u>
		<u>96500</u>	-	<u>96500</u>	<u>103890</u>
Excess of Payments over Receipts		-11290	-	-11290	-3889
Bank current/deposit accounts at 1 January 2021		79061	-	79061	87365
Mortgage capital payment		<u>-4606</u>	-	<u>-4606</u>	<u>-4415</u>
Bank current/deposit accounts at 31 December 2021		<u>63165</u>	-	<u>63155</u>	<u>79061</u>

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Cash Funds					
Select Account		2516	-	2516	7719
Deposit Account		10021	-	10021	20820
BU Corp Limited		50618	-	50618	50512
Cash		<u>10</u>	-	<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>
		<u>63165</u>	-	<u>63165</u>	<u>79061</u>
Assets retained for Church use (note 2)					
Church building		1008455	-	1008455	1008455
Manse		<u>214365</u>	-	<u>214365</u>	<u>214365</u>
		<u>1222820</u>	-	<u>1222820</u>	<u>1222820</u>
Liabilities					
Mortgage		<u>104351</u>	-	<u>104351</u>	<u>108958</u>

The accounts and statement of assets set out on pages 5 to 8 relating to the year ended 31st December 2021 are approved by the church members meeting

Signed:

PW

Rev Peter Worth

Date: 1/5/2022

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1. Basis of the Accounts

These accounts have been prepared on a 'receipts and payments' basis and accord with S.132 Charities Act 2011

2. Fixed assets

Fixed assets retained for Church use is the Church building and the freehold of the Manse building.

The Church is the beneficial owner (subject to the relevant trusts) of the following assets, the legal title to which is held by the Church's custodian trustee the Heart of England Baptist Association (HEBA). The value of the buildings above are shown at insured value.

Church premises at Bittell Road, Barnt Green, Birmingham, West Midlands, B45 8LU and Church Manse 8 Birkdale Avenue, Blackwell, Bromsgrove, Worcestershire, B60 1BY. The Church also owns fixtures, furniture and equipment with an insured value of £67229.

3. The movements in designated and restricted funds during the year were:

	Opening Balance	Receipts	Payments	Transfer	Closing Balance
	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted Fund	<u>1474</u>	-	-	<u>1474</u>	-

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£	£

4. Receipts & Payments Analysis

a. Donations and other income

Covenants	53800	-	-	53800	63040
Other income	<u>34</u>	-	-	<u>34</u>	<u>4176</u>
	<u>53834</u>	-	-	<u>53834</u>	<u>67216</u>

b. Investment income

Bank interest	<u>106</u>	-	-	<u>106</u>	<u>188</u>
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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
4. Receipts and Payments Analysis - continued					
g. Upkeep of Church premises					
Gas	1325	-	-	1325	1275
Electricity	959	-	-	959	671
Water	4	-	-	4	100
Telephone	290	-	-	290	304
Cleaning	1977	-	-	1977	2275
Waste collection	-	-	-	-	630
Insurance	1729	-	-	1729	1692
Planned maintenance	893	-	-	893	1296
Unplanned maintenance	1049	-	-	1049	902
Equipment	1957	-	-	1957	1362
Miscellaneous	3529	-	-	3529	1059
Covid 19 expenses	-	-	-	-	<u>4138</u>
	<u>13712</u>	-	-	<u>13712</u>	<u>15704</u>
h. Administration					
Catering	-	-	-	-	-
Stationery	34	-	-	34	-
Affiliation fees/licences	666	-	-	666	1874
Bank charges	<u>124</u>	-	-	<u>124</u>	<u>171</u>
	<u>824</u>	-	-	<u>824</u>	<u>2045</u>