

RICHMOND PARK CHURCH
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

Trust information as at 31/12/2024

Name: RICHMOND PARK CHURCH

Address: 139 Palmerston Road, Bournemouth BH1 4HP

Status: A charitable Trust – Registration number 1144662

Trustees: David Holland (Chair)
Keith Manning

Pastor: Martin Moore

Independent Examiner: Nikola Wilkinson

Banker: Nat West Bank

Governance and Management

The church which had been an excepted charity, was registered with the Charity Commission with effect from 11 November 2011.

The governing document for the church is a trust deed dated 22 June 1984

The trustees and the pastor meet four times a year and it is their responsibility, together with every church member, to ensure that the church fulfils its objectives and aims

Objectives and Aims

The church's purpose is the advancement of the Christian religion by such legally charitable means as the trustees shall in their discretion think fit.

This is primarily in the area of Bournemouth but help is also given to others in promoting the Christian faith elsewhere in the UK and worldwide.

Activities and Achievements

Richmond Park church has been called to be a church in the community and our activities include a monthly outreach meal, adult Friday Club (mainly aimed at seniors) and working with Teen Challenge (help for life controlling addictions).

The trustees have given due regard to the charity commission's guidance on the public benefit and in particular, the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. During the year the church continued to carry out the following activities in order to promote the Christian faith in the local neighbourhood.

- A) Regular worship services are held on Sunday mornings with weekly prayer meetings.
- B) Weekly home groups.
- C) Monthly breakfast Bible Studies
- D) Weekly community coffee morning (Friday Club)
- E) Men's and women's ministries; Action Men and Wonder women
- F) Monthly church outreach/church meal
- G) The provision and maintenance of the church building. In addition to the meetings stated, these buildings are used for children's activities, street church and for wedding and funeral services.
- H) Pastoral support for church members is led by the pastor and care group leaders.

- l) The church is involved in world-wide mission particularly supporting members who are now working overseas in both Africa and Asia.

Finances

The principle source of funds is voluntary giving from church members.

In addition to expenditure supporting the ministry and the church premises, the church donates funds to other Christian organisations (approximately 10% of member giving)

The accounts for the year 31/12/2024 have been prepared on a cash receipts and payments basis. The summary of the funds show that there is a balance of £30,007 of funds at the year end. Trustees continually review the balances on hand to ensure that sufficient funds are held to continue the work of the church and to meet anticipated expenditure.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 26/6/25

And signed on its behalf by:-


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Mr David Holland (Chair of Trustees)



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

**Independent examiner's report
on the accounts**

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Richmond Park Church

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31st December 2024

Charity no

1144662

**Respective
responsibilities of
trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent
examiner's statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention 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 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:

Date:

6-06-2025

Name:

NIKOLA WILKINSON

Richmond Park Church

Receipts and Expenditure for year ended 31 December 2024

	2023	2024
RECEIPTS	£	£
Regular Giving – gift aided	18,087	16,830
Regular Giving – gift aided SDS	4,665	5,027
Regular Giving- non gift-aided	16,232	11,742
One off gifts +legacy – non gift- aided	0	19,000
Gift Aid recovered	5,714	5,464
Bank interest	164	397
TOTAL RECEIPTS	44,862	58,460
EXPENDITURE	£	
Missions Giving	4,519	4,750
Visiting Speaker donations	600	600
Expenses for Church Meetings	1,698	1,559
Church Utilities – Gas, elect, water, sewerage	1,784	1,614
Church repairs and maintenance	1,670	3,544
Subscriptions and Licences	945	943
Computer Costs incl broadband	692	333
Stationery and Printing	66	72
Sunday School expenses	283	464
Insurance	1,671	1,825
Training & Conference Fees	113	0
Accountancy	409	442
Advertising	289	279
General Expenses incl gifts	300	669
<i>Sub total</i>	<i>15,039</i>	<i>17,094</i>
Salary	16,796	16,807
Manse Rent	13,200	13,575
Manse Water and Sewerage	415	395
Manse Council Tax	1,814	1,902
<i>Sub total</i>	<i>32,225</i>	<i>32,679</i>
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	47,264	49,773
Surplus (deficit)	(2,402)	8,687

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Balance sheet as at 31 December 2024

	2023	2024
FIXED ASSETS	395,000	395,000
Current Assets		
Current accounts		
Nat west 262	5,749	1,537
Nat west 393	13,757	27,155
Cash in hand	415	117
TOTAL	414,921	423,809
Current liabilities		
Accruals	+1,399	+1198
Net Assets	416,320	425,007

Represented by:		
	£	£
Reserves brought forward	418,722	416,320
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	(2402)	8,687
Reserves carried forward	416,320	425,007

Funds at year end	31/12/23	31/12/24
Nat West current	5,749	1,537
Nat West savings	13,757	27,155
Cash in hand	415	117
Accruals (mainly gift aid)	+1,399	+1198
TOTAL FUNDS	21,320	30,007