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Hull Community Church

(A company limited by guarantee)

Trustees' Report and Financial Statements

for the 12 months to 31 August 2024

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Reference and administrative details of the company, its trustees and advisers for the year ended 31 August 2024

Trustees

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Charity registered number

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Trustees' report for the year ended 31 August 2024

The Trustees (who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006) present their report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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).

The charity operates under the working name of Oasis Hub: Hull in order to acknowledge its close working relationship with the Oasis family of charities.

Structure, governance and management

a. Constitution

The company is registered as a charitable company limited by guarantee and was set up by a Memorandum of Association on 16 March 2012.

b. Method of appointment or election of Trustees

The management of the company is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Articles of Association.

c. Policies adopted for the induction and training of Trustees

The power of appointment of new trustees lies with the existing trustees. New trustees are appointed with a view to the board of trustees providing the complementary mix of skills necessary to perform the trustees' function. Trustees are encouraged to obtain training so as to increase their skills, such training being funded by the company.

d. Organisational structure and decision making

All key decisions relating to the running and operation of the company are made by the company's trustees. The trustees meet approximately four times a year, together with such further ad-hoc meetings as and when required. Day to day operational decisions relating to the running of the company and its premises are delegated to the Hub Leader (Claire Thomas), who attends at and reports to the trustee's meetings.

e. Risk management

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the company is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the company, and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks. These include the implementation and monitoring of policies relating to Health and Safety, Safeguarding, Internal Financial Controls and Reserves.

In particular internal risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects and to ensure consistent quality of delivery for all operational aspects of the company. These procedures are regularly reviewed to ensure that they still meet the needs of the company.

Monthly management accounts are prepared and distributed to all trustees and senior staff. These are considered at the trustees' meetings.

Objectives and Activities

a. Policies and objectives

The objects of the charity for the benefit of the public in Kingston upon Hull and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the Trustees may think fit, includes the advancement of the Christian faith by proclamation and example.

The objects also include the relief of unemployment, the prevention or relief of poverty, the promotion of education including social and physical training, the relief of sickness and preservation of health and the provision of recreational facilities.

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b. Strategies for achieving objectives

The aim of the charity is to operate as a catalyst for community transformation by facilitating improvements in the lives of individuals and community activity and cohesion.

This will be achieved by identifying and understanding the needs and issues within the community and by working to create a place where everyone is included, making a contribution, and reaching their God-given potential.

This flows into our ethos which is:

- A passion to include everyone
- A desire to treat everyone equally, respecting differences
- A commitment to healthy and open relationships
- A deep sense of hope that things can change and be transformed
- A sense of perseverance to keep going for the long haul

Oasis Hub: Hull aims for holistic community development that includes spiritual, educational, social, emotional, physical and environmental development.

Whilst exercising their powers and duties the trustees have had due regard to section 4 of the Charities Act 2011, and complied with, the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission.

c. Activities for achieving objectives

The charity holds regular services of worship and other events and activities to encourage and nurture the Christian faith; works in the local community for improving the wellbeing of everyone; is involved with other churches and charities in the city and region; and links with Oasis churches and charities across the UK.

Through its church building, the charity works towards achieving maximum public benefit for everyone within the locality by ensuring that the building is fully accessible, open to all and meets the current needs expressed by local residents in the deprived area where the charity is primarily based. The charity achieves its objectives by reaching out to the local community and welcoming everyone in, creating space and support for families, older people, people experiencing poverty, social exclusion and deprivation.

d. Volunteers

The charity is grateful for the unstinting efforts of its volunteers who are involved in its work.

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Strategic Report

Achievements and performance

a. Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

b. Review of activities in relation to objectives:

This has been a very busy and exciting year for Oasis Hub: Hull as many people have joined us, seeking community and support.

The cost of living crisis continues to hit our community hard, and so the warm space, Food Club and other free activities we can provide to support people have been important.

We continue to be responsive to our local community as together we change, develop and grow what we do, continuing to see a wide range of different people through our doors.

Church Services

We have held regular church services throughout the period and have started to podcast our Sunday talks to reach a wider range of people so that members of the church can keep in touch when they are not able to attend in person. A variety of styles of service mean we have included music, talks, 'sofa' conversations, and a range of other activities as we encourage each other in the Christian faith. We run 'Wow kids' and 'Sunday youth' during our services for our children and young people. Our monthly 'Community Sundays' are a space to eat together, talk together, learning from and supporting each other. Our discussion groups enable people to think and talk about the topics further, and regular quiz nights help people to get to know each other better. The church has an ethos of openness and inclusion, welcoming everyone to participate equally regardless of disability, mental health problems, poverty, ethnicity, sexuality or gender. We aim to put this into practice by involving everyone in church and its activities.

Pride

In July 2024 we celebrated inclusion by taking part in Hull Pride and this year we coordinated this with other churches and Christian groups more widely, leading to a stronger and more diverse presence on the parade and stand. We carried a banner in the march saying 'You are beautifully and wonderfully made' and the stand had photo opportunities and goody bags to give away.

Open House

Open House runs during the week and is a space where our community can join together and support each other. We welcome people from all backgrounds and ages and everyone mixes, enjoys conversation, friendship and support while playing in our World of Wonder, or over a drink and snack in the lounge or hall. This has also acted as a 'warm space' to support people who need help with the cost of living crisis. Over the year we had more than 16,000 visits to Open House. We have seen many people new and old including families, students, people who are homeless, people with mental health problems, financial difficulties, experiencing social isolation and so on. We encourage everyone to get involved and participate, treating the space as a second home.

Food Club

We re-launched our community swap shop as Food Club in September 2022. The community swap shop had started during COVID and has continued to see increasing demand and need. The Food Club now opens for 4x 2 hour sessions each week, with between 80 and 120 people per week. This year we supported over 700 different individuals with the Food Club, giving away over 22,000 meals. People who live locally and are in financial need are able to register and attend once a week. They donate £2 for a basket of food including ambient and fresh items. Our model aims to promote dignity and hope, while supporting people in a holistic way. We are grateful to all the people who have donated food and our partnerships with Fareshare, Tesco, Hull City Council and others who have enabled this project to run smoothly and help so many people.

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One to One Support

During the year we have continued our one to one support for people who need some extra help. Community Support workers are on hand to support people with things like accessing healthcare, understanding a letter from the Council, getting help for financial issues, applying for a job and so on. This year the team gained training to support people further around energy in response to the increasing costs of utilities.

Cultural and language exchange

The diversity of people who come to Oasis Hub: Hull continues to grow. We have at least 37 different languages represented among the people we see. Alongside a researcher from the University of Hull we have created informal and creative ways for people to share their culture and language, breaking down barriers and developing inclusion and community cohesion. The riots in Hull in August 2024 make this work even more important. We responded to the riots with a safe space to talk and reflect, and by supporting people in our community who were caught up in the riots or who were fearful of leaving the house afterwards.

Our Space

Our Space is for SEN families to use our World of Wonder at a dedicated time for them. This has been positive this year, with the quieter times being good for the children and parents/ carers as they make friends, provide peer support and have space to have fun. We have welcomed new families to this group this year, and included more activities and variety to support people further.

Community meals

We continue to offer our community meals which are popular and bring people together across different communities to eat. On Wednesdays we join together for a two course meal, and on Tuesday evenings in the winter we serve soup and sandwiches.

Additional activities

We have created additional, creative activities for families at regular points through the year. This has included a Christmas Wonderland with a Christmas tree trail, Father Christmas, Christmas crafts, a Christmas meal, an Easter egg hunt, cooking multi-cultural meals together, and a summer activity book. We also ran a large fun day with a health theme alongside Youth Aspire Connect and Bora Shabaa which brought together a wide range of people for fun activities as well as stalls, information and workshops to promote health and wellbeing.

This year we also ran an event about community development with Steve Chalke, the founder of Oasis UK, which attracted a number of people from different sectors including local public sector, VCS and church organisations.

Feedback

We have received valuable feedback this year, some quotes include:

"We've been coming to Wow for nearly 6 years since I had my first child. For a mother who has suffered with her mental health it has been an absolute haven to be able to turn up, have a cuppa, let my children play with not a lot of time constraints. There is always someone to talk to and to offer support or a kind word if needed. I cannot sing its praises enough! It has definitely been a life saver!"

"They are all friendly and one big family"

"Your support for families with SEN needs has been life saving."

"Your warmth and acceptance of difference is amazing"

"You welcome without pressure anyone to conform to a particular ideology. True support"

"Meeting friends, being able to be total self without judgement"

"Me and my daughter love coming here. She has a lot of fun with the kids and others here. It's great to have you especially when it's cold it's a great alternative for us."

"I like coming here because the people are friendly, lots of activities to do, mingle with the crowds. You get toast and coffee, a way to relax and gets me out of the house."

"Friendly atmosphere, free exercise and activities for the children, kind and welcoming space, lovely place to meet friends and socialise."

"My children love to come here and play outside of school time. The WOW area is fun, I feel grateful my family and friends can come here together to spend good time together."

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Other developments

This year has been challenging due to needing to search for funding for a range of needs. Our heating and hot water systems have come to the end of their lives and so we have needed to find funding to replace these (which will be done in the new financial year). We are also coming towards the end of a number of different multi-year grants and so we are working to replace this funding to be able to continue our work.

Our relationship with the Oasis family of charities continues to develop and we have appreciated the mutual support this provides including visiting speakers, peer support for our Hub Leader, HR and finance support, team training and development.

We were able to appoint a new Team Leader for our community work thanks to the Know Your Neighbourhood Fund and this had a big impact on our systems, organisation, and being able to support people well through Open House and Food Club despite the high numbers of people we see. This has also given us the capacity to better recruit and support volunteers to help with the work which has meant increased participation from a wider range of people.

This funding also helped us to bring a storyteller in to collect the stories of some of the people we see each week. This has been really valuable as we learn more about the challenges people face and the difference our support makes.

We have started a small number of groups within our normal Open House opening hours to give more space for people to connect with others. This has seen a 'yap and yarn' group started and run by volunteers; and a group for pre-school children and their grown-ups to help people meet others at a similar stage in life to them.

We would like to thank everyone who has helped us to achieve our objectives this period. The many people who give time and money to build our community. The National Lottery Community Fund which continues to support us with funding that enables us to run the building and employ staff to run our core activities. The Tudor Trust funds our leadership staff which makes such a difference to our ability to develop and grow what we do. 'The Know Your Neighbourhood Fund' from the Two Ridings Foundation, funded by the UK government has enabled us to deepen our work to tackle loneliness and isolation. Additional funding from the Two Ridings Community Foundation, The Hull and East Riding Charitable Trust, Hull City Council, North Bank Forum, 'Making a Difference Locally' (MADL), the Co-Op Local Community Fund and Westhill Endowment Fund, The Green Hall Foundation, the Ideas fund from the British Science Foundation and Wellcome Trust which enabled us to work with a researcher from the University of Hull to develop our cultural and language exchange project which has been a real success.

c. Fundraising activities/Income generation

The charity is very grateful to everyone who gives to its work. It has a mixed funding portfolio including donations from individuals, funding from trusts and foundations, and income from room hire. The charity continues to seek external funding to enable it to pursue its objectives. All funding is used in furthering the objects of the charity.

d. Factors relevant to achieve objectives

A highly motivated staff and volunteer team coupled with high standards in the quality of activities and support provided is essential to achieve the objectives of the charity.

Financial review

a. Financial and risk management objectives and policies

Total income for the year ended 31 August 2024 amounted to £291,838 (2023: £262,281). Expenditure amounted to £331,063 (2023: £296,936). The overall result is a deficit of £39,225 (2023: £34,655 deficit), leaving retained funds of £2,462,826 (2023: £2,502,051) split £57,306 (2023: £55,092) unrestricted, £175,000 (2023: £185,000) designated, and £2,230,520 (2023: £2,261,959) restricted.

The company's income is applied to the furtherance of its objectives through the support and employment of individuals, the resourcing of activities, gifts and donations to third parties and general administrative and property costs.

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b. Reserves policy

It is the company's policy to retain sufficient funds to cover fluctuations in income, current liabilities and unplanned expenditure in line with the forecasted needs of the organisation. By prudent planning and monitoring, every effort is made to keep unexpected fluctuations to a minimum and to limit the proportion of the company's funds that must be tied up. The reserve policy requires three months' running costs which we estimate to be £74,000. The charity holds £57,000 of unrestricted funds, £175,000 of designated funds and £2.2m of restricted funds. Staff are working across unrestricted and restricted projects and therefore the reserve policy has been met. The company's assets are available and adequate to fulfil its obligations.

c. Principal funding

Restricted funds were received during the period. Information regarding these funds is disclosed in the Notes to the financial statements.

Notwithstanding the restricted grants received in the year, the company remains dependent upon individual donations and gifts from Church members to further its objectives.

Plans for the future and future developments

Our Hub Plan was written in 2023 and sets our plans and priorities for the next 2 to 5 years.

The main areas for development are:

- To develop our community leadership by networking and partnering with other local charities and churches
- To develop ways to support people further and in more depth
- Continue to grow the culture of co-ownership, co-production, participation and belonging for everyone who is part of our community
- Develop ways we can support people to reduce poverty
- Improve our communication for church activity so that people can more easily find out who we are, our ethos and values
- Develop the pastoral care and opportunities for people to explore their faith available for our church community
- Increase the diversity of our leadership

Members' liability

The Members of the company guarantee to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 to the assets of the company in the event of winding up.

Trustees' responsibilities statement

The Trustees (who are also directors of Hull Community Church for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

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The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This Trustees' Report was approved by the Trustees (who are also the directors for the purposes of company law) and signed on their behalf by:

R Gilbert, Chairman
Trustee

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'R Gilbert', with a long horizontal flourish underneath.

P Fearnley,
Trustee

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'P Fearnley', with a long horizontal flourish underneath.

Dated: 15 April 2025

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Independent examiners' report to the members of Hull Community Church

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 August 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

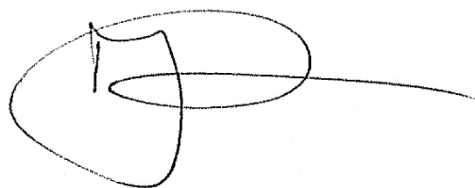
Independent examiner's statement

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, which is one of the listed bodies.

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by Section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

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.



Matt Ryan FCCA
The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants

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Date: 6th May 2025

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Statement of financial activities
(incorporating income and expenditure account)
for the year ended 31 August 2024

		Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Designated funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
	Note					
Incoming resources						
Incoming resources from generated funds:						
Voluntary income						
Donations and gifts		43,463	-	14,121	57,584	66,445
Grants	2	6,111	-	185,814	191,925	158,679
Activities for generating funds – rental income & event income		39,388	-	-	39,388	35,915
Other incoming resources		2,321	-	620	2,941	1,242
Total incoming resources		91,283	-	200,555	291,838	262,281
Resources expended						
Costs of generating funds:						
Costs of generating voluntary income	3	10,194	-	-	10,194	3,000
Charitable activities	4	87,795	-	231,994	319,789	292,856
Governance costs	5	1,080	-	-	1,080	1,080
Total resources expended	6	99,069	-	231,994	331,063	296,936
Net movement in funds for the year		(7,786)	-	(31,439)	(39,225)	(34,655)
Transfers between funds		10,000	(10,000)	-	-	-
Total funds at 1 September 2023	16	55,092	185,000	2,261,959	2,502,051	2,536,706
Total funds at 31 August 2024	16	57,306	175,000	2,230,520	2,462,826	2,502,051

All activities relate to continuing operations.

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the period.

The notes on pages 12 to 22 form part of these financial statements.

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Balance sheet
as at 31 August 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	13	2,342,041	2,373,057
Current assets			
Debtors	14	4,979	4,273
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>124,737</u>	<u>128,989</u>
		129,716	133,262
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	<u>(8,931)</u>	<u>(4,268)</u>
Net current assets		<u>120,785</u>	<u>128,994</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		2,462,826	2,502,051
Net assets		<u>2,462,826</u>	<u>2,502,051</u>
Charity Funds			
Restricted funds	16	2,230,520	2,261,959
Designated funds	16	175,000	185,000
Unrestricted funds	16	<u>57,306</u>	<u>55,092</u>
Total funds		<u>2,462,826</u>	<u>2,502,051</u>

For the year ended 31 August 2024 the charitable company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2024 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibility for:

- a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006; and
- b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 15th April 2025 and signed on their behalf, by:



R Gilbert, Chairman

The notes on pages 12 to 22 form part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 August 2024

1. Accounting policies

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102 have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 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) The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland and the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all periods presented unless otherwise stated.

1.2 Company status

The company is a company limited by guarantee registered in England and Wales. The members of the company are the Trustees named on page 1. In the event of the company being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the company.

1.3 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the company and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds are funds that have been set aside or are for a specific purpose. They are designated at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the company for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

1.4 Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of financial activities when the company is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

No amounts are included in the financial statements for services donated by volunteers.

Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Other income is recognised in the period in which it is receivable and to the extent the goods have been provided or on completion of the service.

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1.5 Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been included under expense categories that aggregate all costs for allocation to activities. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular activities, they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of the resources.

Fundraising costs are those incurred in seeking voluntary contributions and do not include the costs of disseminating information in support of the charitable activities. Support costs are those costs incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the company and include project management costs. Governance costs are those incurred in compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.

All resources expended are inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

The policy with respect to impairment reviews of fixed assets, excluding property, is to impair those assets that are no longer used by the company in pursuit of its objects. These assets are impaired to their recoverable amount.

Property impairments are recognised when the cost of a property is deemed to exceed its current value.

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation and impairment. Depreciation is not charged on freehold land. Depreciation on tangible fixed assets is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of those assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Property	-	40 years
Fixtures and fittings	-	8 years
Office equipment	-	6 years
Computer equipment	-	4 years

1.7 Operating leases

Rentals under operating leases are charged to the Statement of financial activities on a straight line basis over the lease term.

Benefits received and receivable as an incentive to sign an operating lease are recognised on a straight line basis over the period until the date the rent is expected to be adjusted to the prevailing market rate.

1.8 Pensions

The company operates defined contribution pension schemes and the pension charge represents the amounts payable by the company to the funds in respect of the period.

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2. Grant income

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Forum	-	15,000	15,000	7,860
Government Grant	6,111	-	6,111	4,215
Two Ridings Foundation Know Your Neighbourhood Fund funded by the UK Government	-	27,652	27,652	5,307
Hull & East Riding Charitable Trust	-	7,500	7,500	3,300
The National Lottery Community Fund	-	74,521	74,521	80,399
Ideas Fund	-	11,387	11,387	15,002
Co-Op Local Community Fund	-	1,132	1,132	1,246
The Tudor Trust	-	34,247	34,247	31,700
Two Ridings Community Foundation	-	5,000	5,000	2,000
Making A Difference Locally	-	1,000	1,000	3,000
Westhill	-	6,000	6,000	-
Groundwork UK	-	375	375	-
The Green Hall Foundation	-	2,000	2,000	-
The Sir James Reckitt Charity	-	-	-	4,000
Hull City Council Warm Space Grant	-	-	-	650
	<u>6,111</u>	<u>185,814</u>	<u>191,925</u>	<u>158,679</u>

3. Costs of generating voluntary income

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Staff costs	<u>10,194</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,194</u>	<u>3,000</u>

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4. Charitable activities

Summary by fund type	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Total funds
	2024	2024	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Staff costs	30,258	145,568	175,826	155,283
External gifts	1,912	250	2,162	2,100
Property costs	15,560	18,115	33,675	27,066
Church and community activities	3,836	23,713	27,549	29,099
Equipment	3,875	4,352	8,227	2,940
Telephone & IT	6,068	159	6,227	5,184
Travel & subsistence	262	999	1,261	602
Subscriptions and memberships	1,365	-	1,365	963
Administration	2,383	2,239	4,622	8,774
Professional & consultancy fees	1,364	4,783	6,147	5,393
Insurance	7,851	-	7,851	7,947
Depreciation	1,304	29,712	31,016	32,609
Bank charges	343	-	343	383
Consumable supplies	681	1,239	1,920	6,185
Recruitment & Training	447	815	1,262	2,267
Sundry expenditure	10,286	50	10,336	6,061
	<u>87,795</u>	<u>231,994</u>	<u>319,789</u>	<u>292,856</u>

5. Governance costs

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Total funds
	2024	2024	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Independent examiners' fee	<u>1,080</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,080</u>	<u>1,080</u>

6. Analysis of resources expended by expenditure type

	Staff costs	Other costs	Total	Total
	2024	2024	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Costs of generating funds	10,194	-	10,194	3,000
Charitable activities	175,826	143,963	319,789	292,856
Governance	-	1,080	1,080	1,080
	<u>186,020</u>	<u>145,043</u>	<u>331,063</u>	<u>296,936</u>

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7. Net incoming resources / (resources expended)

This is stated after charging:

	2024 £	2023 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets: - owned by the charity	31,016	32,609
Operating lease rentals – other	<u>697</u>	<u>937</u>

8. Independent examiners remuneration

	2024 £	2023 £
Independent examiners' fees	<u>1,080</u>	<u>1,080</u>

9. Staff costs

Staff costs (including trustees) were as follows:

	2024 £	2023 £
Wages and salaries	163,655	142,377
Social security costs	11,295	8,711
Other pension costs	11,070	7,195
	<u>186,020</u>	<u>158,283</u>

The average monthly number of employees during the period was as follows:

	2024 No.	2023 No.
Generating voluntary income	1	1
Charitable activities	9	9
	<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>

No employee (2023: no employee) received remuneration amounting to more than £60,000 in the year.

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10. Trustees' remuneration

Trustees' remuneration, as authorised under the company's Articles of Association, amounted to £nil (2023: £nil).

No trustees (2023: no Trustees) have benefits accruing under a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions of £nil (2023: £nil) were payable by the company in the period.

Trustee expenses of £nil (2023: £nil) were incurred during the period.

11. Comparatives for the Statement of Financial Activities

		Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Designated funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £
	Note				
Incoming resources					
Incoming resources from generated funds:					
Voluntary income					
Donations and gifts		54,363	-	12,082	66,445
Grants	2	4,865	-	153,814	158,679
Activities for generating funds – rental income		35,915	-	-	35,915
Investment income – interest		-	-	-	-
Other incoming resources		1,070	-	172	1,242
Total incoming resources		96,213	-	166,068	262,281
Resources expended					
Costs of generating funds:					
Costs of generating voluntary income	3	3,000	-	-	3,000
Charitable activities	4	81,016	-	211,840	292,856
Governance costs	5	160	-	920	1,080
Total resources expended	6	84,176	-	212,760	296,936
Net movement in funds for the year		12,037	-	(46,692)	(34,655)
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Total funds at 30 June 2022	16	43,055	185,000	2,308,651	2,536,706
Total funds at 31 August 2023	16	55,092	185,000	2,261,959	2,502,051

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12. Taxation

Factors affecting tax charge for the period

Hull Community Church is a U.K. registered charity, number 1147453. All the company's income is applied to its charitable objects and the company is, therefore, exempt under current legislation from most forms of taxation.

Value Added Tax is not recoverable by the company and is therefore charged to the Statement of Financial Activities or Balance Sheet as incurred.

13. Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Total £
Cost				
At 1 September 2023	2,460,000	83,692	7,995	2,551,687
Additions	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-
At 31 August 2024	<u>2,460,000</u>	<u>83,692</u>	<u>7,995</u>	<u>2,551,687</u>
Depreciation				
At 1 September 2023	91,833	78,802	7,995	178,630
Charge for the period	29,000	2,016	-	31,016
Disposals	-	-	-	-
At 31 August 2024	<u>120,833</u>	<u>80,818</u>	<u>7,995</u>	<u>209,646</u>
Net book value				
At 31 August 2024	<u>2,339,167</u>	<u>2,874</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,342,041</u>
At 31 August 2023	<u>2,368,167</u>	<u>4,890</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,373,057</u>

Included in freehold property is freehold land at cost of £50,000 which is not depreciated.

Certain property held by the company is subject to charges held by the Big Lottery Fund in relation to the company continuing to use the property for the continuation of its objects.

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14. Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Other debtors	4,979	4,273
Prepayments and accrued income	-	-
	<u>4,979</u>	<u>4,273</u>

15. Creditors:
Amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Trade Creditors	3,563	2,240
Social security and other taxes	1,392	900
Accruals and deferred income	3,976	1,128
	<u>8,931</u>	<u>4,268</u>

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16. Statement of funds

	Brought Forward £	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended £	Transfers between funds £	Carried Forward £
Unrestricted funds					
General Fund	51,334	91,283	(97,765)	10,000	54,852
Unrestricted Asset Fund	3,758	-	(1,304)	-	2,454
Designated Fund	185,000	-	-	(10,000)	175,000
Total unrestricted funds	<u>240,092</u>	<u>91,283</u>	<u>(99,069)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>232,306</u>
Restricted funds					
Building Fund & Rest asset funds	2,193,536	-	(29,712)	-	2,163,824
Ideas Fund	4,365	11,387	(13,468)	-	2,284
Forum	-	15,014	(15,014)	-	-
Food Club (previously Community Swap Shop)	1,248	21,973	(21,233)	-	1,988
Hull & East Riding Charitable Trust	-	7,500	(4,643)	-	2,857
The National Lottery Community Fund	30,944	76,521	(83,302)	-	24,163
Westhill	-	6,250	(1,939)	-	4,311
The Tudor Trust	26,643	34,257	(32,607)	-	28,293
Two Ridings Foundation Know Your Neighbourhood Fund funded by the UK Government	5,223	27,653	(30,076)	-	2,800
Total restricted funds	<u>2,261,959</u>	<u>200,555</u>	<u>(231,994)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,230,520</u>
Total funds	<u>2,502,051</u>	<u>291,838</u>	<u>(331,063)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,462,826</u>

The £175,000 designated fund represents the land and buildings held within the general unrestricted funds.

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Building Fund & Restricted Asset Fund - Accumulation of monies previously received towards the redevelopment of the company's freehold property and other asset acquired with restricted funds. Assets acquired are being depreciated in line with the company's standard depreciation policy.

Ideas Fund – Funded by the British Science Association and Wellcome Trust. This is a well-being project working with the University of Hull.

Food Club (Previously Community Swap Shop) – Funding received to run this project, including grants from the Hull and East Riding Charitable Trust, The Two Riding Community Foundation, Making a Difference Locally, donations from individuals, and other funds generated through the project.

The National Lottery Community Fund - Accumulation of monies received toward staff and activity costs. Assets acquired are being depreciated in line with the company's standard depreciation policy and moved across to the asset fund.

Forum Winter Warmth Community Grant - Funding provided via Forum from Fortem Solutions Ltd, Efficiency North Holdings, and Hull City Council, for activities related to warm space and cost of living support.

The Tudor Trust - Money received towards staff costs and other costs.

Two Ridings Know Your Neighbourhood Fund - funding to increase volunteering and tackle loneliness from the Two Ridings Foundation with UK Government funding from the Department of Culture Media and Sport.

The Hull and East Riding Charitable Trust – Funding provided to support Open House and Food Club

	Brought Forward	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers	Carried Forward
	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	55,092	91,283	(99,069)	10,000	57,306
Designated funds	185,000	-	-	(10,000)	175,000
Restricted funds	2,261,959	200,555	(231,994)	-	2,230,520
	<u>2,502,051</u>	<u>291,838</u>	<u>(331,063)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,462,826</u>

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17. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Designated funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
Tangible fixed assets	2,454	175,000	2,164,587	2,342,041	2,373,057
Current assets	60,908	-	68,808	129,716	133,262
Creditors due within one year	(6,056)	-	(2,875)	(8,931)	(4,268)
	<u>57,306</u>	<u>175,000</u>	<u>2,230,520</u>	<u>2,462,826</u>	<u>2,502,051</u>

18. Pension commitments

The company operates defined contribution pension schemes. The assets of the schemes are held separately from those of the company in independently administered funds. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the company to the funds and amounted to £11,070 (2023: £7,195).

19. Operating lease commitments

At 31 August 2024 the company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	Other leases 2024 £	Other leases 2023 £
Expiry date:		
Within 1 year	510	510
Between 2 and 5 years	<u>187</u>	<u>427</u>

20. Related party transactions

During the year the wife of a trustee worked for a small number of hours. Charity Commission permission was gained for this. She was paid £153.

There were no other related party transactions.