

ST LEONARDS BAPTIST CHURCH
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

ST LEONARDS BAPTIST CHURCH

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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**REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER
TO THE TRUSTEES OF ST LEONARDS BAPTIST CHURCH**

This report on the financial statements of the charity for the period ended 30 June 2025 which are set out on pages 1 to 3, is in respect of an examination carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES AND THE EXAMINER

As trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements; you consider that the audit requirement of section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of the procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioner under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the church and a comparison of the financial statements with those records. It also includes considering any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the financial statements.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- 1 which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the requirements of the 2011 Act, have not been met; or
- 2 to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

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Date:

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

1 These accounts have been prepared on a "receipts and payments" basis, in accordance with Section 133 of the Charities Act 2011.

2 The church is the beneficial owner at a combined insurance value of £..... (2023 £3,278,503) of premises at Chapel Park Road, St Leonards-on-Sea and at 27 Clinton Crescent, St Leonards-on-Sea, the legal title to which is held by the Baptist Union Corporation Limited as custodian trustee. The church also owns fixtures, furniture and equipment with an insured value of £62,986 (2023 £62,986).

3 Payments - Mission

	Period	Year
	2025	2023
	£	£
S.E.B.A.	3,690	2,501
Baptist Mission	2,520	1,680
Baptist Union	82	593
	<u>£6,292</u>	<u>£4,774</u>

ST LEONARDS BAPTIST CHURCH
GENERAL FUND RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

	Period 2025 £	Year 2023 £
<u>RECEIPTS</u>		
Tithes and offerings	29,319	23,441
Tax refunds recovered	1,645	9,211
Donations received	-	300
Vat refund	1,000	1,720
Bank interest received	427	75
Net rents from Manse	19,654	12,041
Grants	340	-
Church venue hire (including funerals)	5,081	440
Utilities, telephone and broadband	1,254	-
Pensions	-	266
Sundry	45	1
	<u>£58,764</u>	<u>£47,495</u>

LESS: PAYMENTS

Stipend, pension contributions and Minister's expenses	261	11,450
Ministry	80	80
Utilities and manse expenses	11,187	5,943
Insurances	3,643	3,504
Repairs and maintenance	6,141	10,081
Mission (note 3)	6,292	4,774
Bank service charges	57	121
Donations	1,580	575
Admin and telephone	919	999
Legal fees	4,163	2,064
Musical Equipment	4,153	-
Miscellaneous	1,242	1,399
	<u>£39,717</u>	<u>£40,990</u>

SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR

<u>£19,047</u>	<u>£6,505</u>
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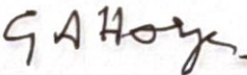
ST LEONARDS BAPTIST CHURCH
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 JUNE 2025

	Period 2025	Year 2023
<u>ASSETS</u>	£	£
Lloyds Bank – Business Extra Account	3,168	3,551
Lloyds Bank – 30 Day Notice Account	30,435	15,859
CIO Account	4,854	0
	<u>£38,457</u>	<u>£19,410</u>
 <u>GENERAL FUND (unrestricted)</u>		
As at 1 January 2024	19,410	12,905
Surplus/(Deficit) for the period	19,047	6,505
	<u>£38,457</u>	<u>£19,410</u>

The above accounts and the notes and other information shown on pages 2 to 3 for the period ended 30 June 2025 are as approved by the Trustees. Signed by two trustees on behalf of the board on


Ian Russell

Graham Hodge



ST LEONARDS BAPTIST CHURCH
SCHEDULES TO THE ACCOUNTS
Period ended 30/06/2025

	18 mths to 30/06 2025	12 mths to 31/12 2023
Repairs and maintenance		
Maintenance	554	39
Repairs and renewals	5,488	10,042
Computer	99	-
	<u>6,141</u>	<u>10,081</u>
	-	
Utilities		
Utilities	11,187	5,793
Manse costs		150
	<u>11,187</u>	<u>5,943</u>
	-	
Miscellaneous		
Catering	293	283
Conference fees	360	560
copyright licencing	344	327
Cleaning	-	-
Housekeeping	112	170
Retirement gift for Janet	-	59
Website hosting	132	-
Rounding	1	
	<u>1,242</u>	<u>1,399</u>
	-	
Admin		
Admin	662	609
Ministry supplies	257	201
Publicity	-	127
Printing	-	62
	<u>919</u>	<u>999</u>
	-	
Donations		
Donations given	1,580	500
Designated giving forwarded		55
Donations given		20
	<u>1,580</u>	<u>575</u>
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