

Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2025

Mill Lane, Broxbourne, Herts EN10 7BQ

Registered Charity Number 1152449

The United Reformed Church Broxbourne is a local church of the United Reformed Church in Great Britain and a member of the North Thames Synod.

### OBJECTS AND ACTIVITIES

The charitable object of the Church is the advancement of the Christian faith for the benefit of the public in accordance with the Scheme of Union of the United Reformed Church. The Church provides benefit to the public in two main ways:

by providing public worship, pastoral care and spiritual, moral and intellectual development, both for the congregation and for the wider community.

by promoting Christian values and service to the community by members of the congregation, for the benefit of individuals and society as a whole.

### ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Full and detailed reports on all activities undertaken during the year are presented at the Annual Church Meeting, and are available upon request.

### STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Elders Meeting, consisting of the elected Elders and the Minister, oversees the spiritual life of the Church, and recommends to the Church Meeting arrangements for maintaining the buildings and looking after finances. The Church Meeting (of all members wishing to attend) gives guidance on the life and work of the Church, and is its final decision-making body. The Minister is called to the Church by its members and is in pastoral charge of the Church.

Elders are elected by Church Meeting from among its members. The secretary and treasurer are nominated annually by and from the Elders and elected by Church Meeting.

### TRUSTEES

The Trustees are the members of the Elders Meeting, who in 2025 were Natasha Appiah, Rosemary Woodall and Amanda Harwood (Treasurer and Pastorate Treasurer).

### FINANCIAL REVIEW

See the Church's Annual Accounts.

### NORTH LEA VALLEY PASTORATE (NLVP)

URC Broxbourne is a member of the North Lea Valley Pastorate, together with the URCs in Hertford and Cheshunt. Throughout 2025 the Pastorate's Minister was Revd Mark Robinson.

## GENERAL FUND

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## RECEIPTS

**Offerings**

Standing Orders	8319.00	
Donations	953.68	
Loose Cash	2013.46	
Envelopes	1739.49	
Income tax Refunds	1498.44	
sub-total		14524.07

<b>Gift Day</b>	1525.50	1525.50
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<b>Lettings</b>	19660.50	19660.50
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<b>Teas/Coffees/Refreshments</b>	55.00	55.00
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**Fund-Raising**

## May Market

stalls	237.00	
sales	2230.00	2467.00
donations	25.00	25.00

## Christmas Market

stalls	231.00	231.00
sales	1082.05	1082.05

less 10%

## PAYMENTS

**Ministry**

Ministry and Mission	17496.00	
Pulpit Supply	1080.00	18576.00
sub-total		

**Church Premises**

Maintenance	2578.52	
Cleaning	7860.81	
Gas	1700.34	
Electricity	9836.28	
Telephone	968.76	
Water	257.35	
Insurance	3310.13	
sub-total		26512.19

**Activities**

Organist and Music	1544.86	
Flowers	29.50	
Subscriptions/Donations/Wreath	20.00	
Christmas Sundry Expenses	57.00	
Stall refund	12.00	
Market Expenses/SumUp	5.06	
Opportunities Fund	75.00	
Sub-total		1743.42

Wormley Christmas Fair	37.50	
Hoddessdon stall	197.96	
sales	25.00	
donation	171.62	
After Sales	25.00	
sales		4262.13
donation		

<b>Interest</b>		
Coif	5115.87	
Rate a/c	86.33	
sub-total		5202.20

**GENERAL FUND TOTALS**

Total Receipts	45229.40	45229.40
Excess Payments		7902.04
Total		<b>53131.44</b>

**Administration**

Stationery/Publicity	57.88	
Sundries Out/Postage	611.89	
Lettings Expenses	30.00	
sub-total		699.77

<b>To Pastorate</b>	5600.06	<b>5600.06</b>
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Total Payments	53131.44	<b>53131.44</b>
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Total		<b>53131.44</b>
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## ALL FUNDS

## UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

General Fund 45229.40

53131.44

## UNRESTRICTED FUNDS TOTALS

Total Receipts 45229.40  
 Excess Payments 7902.04  
**53131.44**

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## RESTRICTED FUNDS

## Specified Church Activities

Junior Church

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102.41

Youth Fund

Youth Fund

Opportunities and Support

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75.00

Bowls Club (Reserve) 695.00

Bowls Club (Reserve)

273.35

Comet (Reserve) 316.22

Comet (Reserve)

176.92

After 8's 1889.00

After 8's

2253.92

sub-total 2900.22

2881.60

## Raised for Other Causes:

## Christmas Market (2025)

10% Isabel Hospice 108.20

Collection: Carols by Candles 90.42

Collection: Isabel Hospice 335.70 137.08

Christingle: Children's Society 185.00

Bellringers' Charity Air Ambulance 90.42

Children's Society

185.00

Bellringers' Charity Air Ambulance

90.42

Foodbank 304.00

Foodbank

200.00

sub-total 915.12

475.42

## RESTRICTED FUNDS TOTALS

Total Receipts Restricted 3815.34

Total Payments Restricted

3357.02

Excess Receipts

458.32

3815.34

## TOTAL RECEIPTS

Excess payments 7443.72  
**56488.46**

## TOTAL PAYMENTS

56488.46

56488.46

**UNITED REFORMED CHURCH**

Accounts for the year ending 31st December 2025

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	Balance 31/12/2024	Receipts		Payments	Transfers	Balance 31/12/2025
<b>FUND ACCOUNTING</b>						
Unrestricted Funds						
General Fund (page 2)	32,387.55	45,229.40		53,131.44		24,485.51
General Fund (Reserves)						
Legacies and Bequests	12,617.49					12,617.49
Maintenance	3,049.22					3,049.22
RH Legacy	116,427.83			68.99		116,358.84
Felicity Foster Legacy	1,250.00					1,250.00
Rewiring of Church	13,887.89					13,887.89
Laptop for Accounts				465.67		465.67
Total Unrestricted Funds	<b>£151,844.20</b>	<b>45,229.40</b>		<b>53,666.10</b>		<b>£143,407.50</b>
Restricted Funds						
Specified Church Activities						
Junior Church	692.50			102.41		590.09
Youth Fund	1,406.77					1,406.77
Opportunities and Support	690.22			75.00		615.22
Holiday Club	1,001.00					1,001.00
Bowls Group (Reserves)	1,691.15	695.00		273.35	800.00	1,312.80
COMET (Reserves)	342.54	316.22		176.92		481.84
After 8's	1,376.26	1,889.00		2,253.92	200.00	811.34
sub-total	<b>£7,200.44</b>	7,200.44	<b>2,900.22</b>	2,900.22	<b>2,881.60</b>	<b>6,219.06</b>
Other causes:						
Foodbank	358.70	304.00		200.00		462.70
Christmas Market (2025)						
10% Isabel Hospice	108.20					
Collection Carols by Candlelight	90.42					
Collection s - general	137.08	335.70				335.70
Christingle: Children's Society		185.00		185.00		0.00
Bellringers' Chrtly Air Ambulance		90.42		90.42		0.00
sub-total	<b>358.70</b>	358.70	<b>915.12</b>	915.12	<b>475.42</b>	<b>798.40</b>
Total Restricted Funds		<b>7,559.14</b>		<b>3,815.34</b>	<b>3,357.02</b>	
<b>TOTAL ALL FUNDS</b>	<b>£159,403.34</b>	<b>£49,044.74</b>		<b>£57,023.12</b>		<b>£150,424.96</b>



FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2025

## OTHER CHURCH GROUPS

The Church has several groups who hold and manage funds as under:

	Balance 31/12/2024	Receipts	Payments	Outside causes	Balance 31/12/2025
COMET	342.54	316.22	176.92		481.84
After Eights Group	1376.26	1889.00	2253.92	200.00	811.34
Bowls Group	1691.15	695.00	273.35	800.00	1312.80

## FUNDS HELD WITH THE PARISH CHURCH

The Youth Fund and the Holiday Club Fund, shown on Page 4 of the accounts, are currently each held by the Broxbourne Trustees for the benefit of URC Broxbourne and the Parish of Broxbourne with Wormley.

## MONETARY ASSETS

These are split between two banks in order to spread risk.

## OTHER ASSETS USED FOR CHURCH PURPOSES

The Church contents are insured for £119,335; £28,076 for the AV System: £35,071 for the Organ; Rent/hire receivable £21,000 – totalling £203,482. The Church building and the Manse are held in trust for URC Broxbourne by the URC Thames North Synod Trust. URC Broxbourne is responsible for insuring them. The Church building is insured for £3,527,799, and the Manse was valued at £646,306.

## FUND DEFINITIONS

**Unrestricted Funds** may be used by the Church for any of its ordinary purposes.

**Restricted Funds** may only be spent on the specific purpose for which they were given. Any money remaining unspent must either be carried forward for future expenditure on the specific purpose, or else returned; it cannot be absorbed into general funds.

The Report on Page 1 and the Accounts on pages 2-5 were approved by the Elders and signed on their behalf by ... Revd. Mark Robinson... Date ... 25<sup>th</sup> March 2026



I have examined the 2025 accounts for the United Reformed Church Broxbourne,  
and I have no concerns.

Signed: J I Christian

Name: JENNIFER IRENE CHRISTIAN

Date: 24th MARCH 2026