

Chrysolis

Report of the Trustees & Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025

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Constitution:	Chrysolis operates under a Declaration of Trust dated March 2 nd , 2012.
Registered Charity Number:	1152787
Trustees:	<p>Appointment of trustees is by a simple majority of the existing trustees present and voting, with the chairperson having the casting vote, in accordance with Clauses 9, 10, 12, 17 and 18 to the Trust Declaration.</p> <p>The current trustees are:</p> <p>Mr S. Humphreys (chair)</p> <p>Rev. T Raaff (treasurer)</p> <p>Dr. H Giddings (secretary)</p> <p>Ms. C Ormiston</p> <p>Ms. K Mair</p>
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Independent Examiner:	Robert Gary Holmes 205 Annesley Road Hucknall Nottingham NG15 7DB
Bankers:	Cooperative Bank PO Box 250 WN8 6WT
Governance:	Chrysolis is run by the Trustees on a voluntary basis.

Reserves

Chrysolis has typically maintained reserves of between two and three months running costs, with a longer-term goal of increasing this.

Oversight

Chrysolis currently has one employee. Luke Cawley is responsible for implementing our projects. He both initiates new projects and responds to requests and invitations for help from organizations and individuals, with priority given to those projects which make best use of his gifting and best fulfil the objects of the charity. The trustees are in regular consultation with Luke and have both a pastoral oversight responsibility and also provide guidance in his daily implementation of the charity's objects.

Luke also supports our team of volunteers in Romania, who serve there with our partner organization, Chrysolis Romania.

Objects and Activities

The objects of Chrysolis are

(1) To advance the Christian faith for the benefit of the public through quality resources, training and events, in accordance with the following statement of faith ('the statement of faith'):

- We believe in...
- The one true God who lives eternally in three persons—the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.
- The love, grace and sovereignty of God in creating, sustaining, ruling, redeeming and judging the world.
- The divine inspiration and supreme authority of the Old and New Testament Scriptures, which are the written Word of God—fully trustworthy for faith and conduct.
- The dignity of all people, made male and female in God's image to love, be holy and care for creation, yet corrupted by sin, which incurs divine wrath and judgement.
- The incarnation of God's eternal Son, the Lord Jesus Christ—born of the virgin Mary; truly divine and truly human, yet without sin.
- The atoning sacrifice of Christ on the cross: dying in our place, paying the price of sin and defeating evil, so reconciling us with God.

- The bodily resurrection of Christ, the first fruits of our resurrection; his ascension to the Father, and his reign and mediation as the only Saviour of the world.
 - The justification of sinners solely by the grace of God through faith in Christ.
 - The ministry of God the Holy Spirit, who leads us to repentance, unites us with Christ through new birth, empowers our discipleship and enables our witness.
 - The Church, the body of Christ both local and universal, the priesthood of all believers—given life by the Spirit and endowed with the Spirit's gifts to worship God and proclaim the gospel, promoting justice and love.
 - The personal and visible return of Jesus Christ to fulfil the purposes of God, who will raise all people to judgement, bring eternal life to the redeemed and eternal condemnation to the lost, and establish a new heaven and new earth.
- (2) To advance the education of members of the public involved in communication of the Christian faith, through the continued development of their individual capabilities, competencies, skills and understanding in subjects relevant to such communication.

Achievements and Performance

This year has been a successful one. Having recently helped our Romanian projects transition to their next phase, we have continued to support various projects around the UK and Europe, as well as launching a podcast for those involved in communicating the Christian faith to others.

Romania: Becoming Storytellers

Romania has previously been the primary geographical focus of Chrysolis' work. Much of our work there has been partnership with a locally-led non-profit, Chrysolis Romania (or, legally, Asociația Chrysolis), we helped establish in 2020, with whom we have shared charitable objects. Chrysolis Romania has had an entirely Romanian team and board since its inception. Luke, on behalf of Chrysolis UK, continues to liaise with the team in Bucharest and report back to the board of Chrysolis UK.

The focus of Chrysolis Romania is currently on Becoming Storytellers, a project focused on helping Romanian Christians engage the wider culture through the arts. They are beginning the project by cultivating a group of Romanian writers, and by publishing a free magazine, Hiatus, which showcases the best microfiction created by the group.

Rest of Europe: Engage

Engage is a our project which works alongside locally-led churches and Christian student movements to help them develop creative means of engaging students and campuses with the story and message of Jesus. This year, Luke created and delivered training in the UK, Portugal and Greece, on the theme of communicating publicly at student-focused outreach events. Those participating were staff and volunteers of existing local Christian student groups linked with the International Fellowship of Evangelical Students (“IFES”, registered charity 247919). Following his visit to Portugal, Luke’s book, *Campus Lights: Students Living and Speaking for Jesus Around the World* is being translated into Portuguese by the Portuguese national IFES movement.

UK and Beyond: Churches and Other Events

Luke has spoken at a range of free events in the UK where the public can come and explore the Christian faith. He also developed material for a week-long training event at Lee Abbey in Devon, on the theme of communicating the Christian faith interpersonally. The material from this week is now being delivered more widely to churches and Christian organizations.

Additionally, Luke participated in a national consultation on evangelism hosted by Passion for Life, and in the global Lausanne Congress in Seoul, South Korea—a gathering of Christian leaders from around the globe.

New Project: Invisible Castle

Our UK-based project, *invisible castle*, continued to be developed under the oversight of our director and one of our trustees, Kristi Mair. It aims to make available a range of physical and digital resources relating to the communication of the Christian faith.

This year saw the recording and launch of an ten-part *invisible castle* podcast series on the theme of ‘apologetic practice’. A subscriber list for the podcast has been built by inviting sign-ups at events where Luke or Kristi speak.

Republic of Moldova: Refugees

Following the invasion of Ukraine in February 2022, Romania and the neighbouring Republic of Moldova were flooded with refugees and needed to respond rapidly. We took the decision to utilise our existing local knowledge and connections, as well as our existing networks of current and potential supporters, to open a fund restricted for the support of local efforts housing and supporting refugees. We made small grants to those local churches and organizations which were refitting their premises as refugee accommodation, enabling

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them to purchase furniture and supplies. We have since continued to support a local project in the Republic of Moldova, supporting the material needs of refugees.

Financial Review

The financial statements have been subjected to an Independent Examination, as they are exempt from the audit requirements of section 144 Charities Act 2011. The Independent Examination results are pending and a version of this report which includes them will be uploaded soon.

Gifts received in the period amounted to £42,765 (last year: £38,121), with a further £398 (last year: £2,887) coming from sales of (and donations towards development of) the book *Beyond Monologue*. A total of £9,966 (last year: £0) was recovered under HMRC's Gift Aid scheme, and £232 (last year: £0) was received in bank interest on charity funds.

Salary costs of £40,383 (last year: £39,306) were paid out during the accounting period, which included a fee to our payroll provider, Stewardship, of £489 (last year: £490). Travelling and subsistence costs for the team during the year were £6,200 (last year: £5,368) for expenses incurred. The sum of £2,000 (last year: £0) was also used for staff relocation costs. A total of £0 (last year: £158) was also paid in grants to Chrysolis Romania for costs related to their staff team roles. Costs related to producing the book *Beyond Monologue* were £101 (last year: £3,696). A payment of £1,194 (last year: £0) was also made to Fuller Theological Seminary, for staff training costs.

A further £138 (last year: £173) was paid to PayPal for transaction fees, while £7,661 (last year: £7,706) was paid in donations to projects serving Ukrainian refugees in Romania and the Republic of Moldova. An additional £983 (last year: £0) was spend on a laptop for staff use.

Net payments for the year were £1,172 (last year: minus £15,399) and our end of year cash funds were £21,525 (last year: £28,014), of which £13,146 (last year: £20,807) is restricted for the purpose of assisting Ukrainian refugees.

Public Benefit

We confirm that the trustees have paid due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in planning the activities the charity should undertake.

Plans for Future Periods

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We anticipate allowing the Romanian organization to become increasingly independent of us. We also anticipate continued partnership with IFES, and we are working on plans to help them implement public events around Europe, including in Estonia, Spain, the UK, and hopefully also in Moldova.

We will also continue our investment in the *invisible castle* project and associated resources, which will function partially to make some of the thinking and praxis of our past few years more widely accessible. We'll also continue to provide financial support to the refugee project in Moldova.

We also hope to begin developing some pilot projects among twenties, in partnership with local churches and organizations, offering participants an opportunity to explore the Christian faith for themselves

Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

The trustees are required to prepare financial statements for each financial year in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). The financial statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of its incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees should follow best practice and:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed: and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that financial statements comply with the applicable law, regulations and the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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Chrysolis		No 1152787		CC16a
Receipts & payment accounts				
For the period from	Period start	To	Period end	
	01/04/2024		31/03/2025	

Section A Receipts and payments

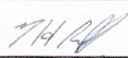

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	42,765			42,765	38,121
HMRC Gift Aid	9,966			9,966	-
Book related income	398			398	2,887
Interest	262			262	-
				-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	53,391	-	-	53,391	41,008
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	53,391	-	-	53,391	41,008
A3 Payments					
Salary Costs	40,383			40,383	38,816
Stewardship payroll fee	489			489	490
Travel costs & Expenses	6,200			6,200	5,368
Relocation Costs costs	2,000			2,000	-
PayPal transaction fees	138			138	173
Book related Costs	101			101	3,696
Net Fuller Tution cost	1,924			1,924	-
Grant to Chrysolis Romania				-	158
Donations supporting Ukrainian		7,661		7,661	7,706
				-	-
Sub total	51,235	7,661	-	58,896	56,407
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Dell Inspiron 14 plus 7440 Laptop	983			983	-
Sub total	983	-	-	983.00	-
Total payments	52,218	7,661	-	59,879	56,407
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,172	- 7,661	-	- 6,489	- 15,399
A5 Transfers between funds				-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	7,207	20,807		28,014	43,413
Cash funds this year end	8,380	13,146	-	21,525	28,014

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Section B Statement of assets & liabilities at the end of period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Co-operative Bank	8,098	13,146	
	PayPal	282		
	Total cash funds	8,380	13,146	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Dell Inspiron 14 plus 7440	Unrestricted	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Trevor Raaff	18/01/2026
	STEPHEN HUMPHREYS	14/01/2026

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**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

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

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
CHRY SOLIS

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 March 2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

1152787

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 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 (~~other than that disclosed below~~*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Robert Gary Holmes

Date:

13/01/2026

Name:

ROBERT GARY HOLMES

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(if any):**

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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.