



Manor Park Evangelical Church

Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025

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**Manor Park Evangelical Church
Report of the Managing Trustees
For the Year ended 31 March 2025**

The Managing Trustees present their report together with the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 March 2025

1. Legal and administrative information

Church address

C/o 4 Fountain Place
Worcester
WR1 3HW

Governing documents

Church Constitution (November 2009) revised in May 2013. The Church was registered with the Charity Commission on 5 December 2013, registered Charity number 1154885. The Church is affiliated to the Fellowship of Independent Evangelical Churches (FIEC, registered Charity number 263354).

Managing Trustees

Roy Summers – Pastor, salaried
Mike Wilson – Elder (Chair)
Brendan Scanlon – Elder
John Coleman – Elder
Peter Jelfs – Elder (Treasurer)
Gwilym Batchelder – Elder
Steve Mitchell – Elder (from November 2024)
Richard Harris – Elder (from November 2024)

Independent Examiner

Ian Jarvis (FCA MBA)
Vertis Accounting Limited,
Independence House, 16 Queen Street, Worcester, WR1 2PL

Principal Banker

Barclays Bank Plc
54 High Street
Worcester
WR1 2QQ

2. Structure, Governance and Management

Trustees and membership

The government of the Church is vested in a body of Elders (including the Lead Pastor) who are the Managing Trustees of the Charity and who are appointed by a two-thirds majority vote in a Church Members Meeting. Unsalaries Elders serve for three years and then are eligible for re-election, which is by a two-thirds majority vote in a Church Members Meeting.

Membership of the Church shall be open to such persons who profess the Christian faith in accordance with the Basis of Faith and have satisfied such other requirements as have been specified in the Church Rules.

The Elders meet on a regular basis to consider their spiritual oversight of the Church and their other responsibilities as trustees. When new Managing Trustees are appointed, they are provided with the information about the role of trustees and Charity law.

Remuneration of Managing Trustees

The Church Constitution makes provision for certain Elders to be remunerated: (Paragraph 10) *“The Minister, any assistant Minister(s) and a church administrator of the Church appointed in accordance with the Church Rules may receive reasonable compensation for carrying out their duties as office holders and/or employees notwithstanding that they are or may be Managing Trustees of the Church.”*

All Managing Trustees may receive reimbursement for reasonable and proper expenses incurred in carrying out their duties.

Responsibilities of Managing Trustees

Charity law requires the Managing Trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity. In preparing these accounts, they are required to: -

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- Make adjustments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- Prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in operation.

The Managing Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and to enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Acts. 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. The Managing Trustees confirm that the accounts comply with the current statutory requirements.

Risk management

The Managing Trustees have identified and considered the major risks to which the Charity is exposed. They have put in place procedures to manage these risks and these include a robust child protection policy.

3. Objectives and Activities

The objects of the Charity are the advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with its Basis of Faith primarily but not exclusively within Worcester and the surrounding neighbourhood and such other charitable activities as shall, in the opinion of the Managing Trustees further the work of the Church.

The Managing Trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance in considering our aims and activities during the year.

The Charity's key aims are the adding of new believers, engaging with the local community to present the claims of Jesus Christ and the building up of existing believers. These are delivered and supported by a wide range of activities run by the Church and are detailed on our website.

Regular worship services are held each Sunday where preaching and teaching of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ takes place alongside worship, prayer and testimony. These services are fully open to the public and various ways of publicising these services takes place. Regular and systematic ministry of God's Word is undertaken, not only in Sunday services but also through home groups that meet weekly, various discipleship groups and youth events. These activities are held with the hope and expectation that new believers will come to a personal and living faith in Jesus Christ and that those who already believe will be built up and disciplined. God-given gifts are encouraged to be put to use in serving God and one another, both in practical and spiritual ways. The Church strongly believes in planting new churches in other areas, as the Lord adds to the number of believers.

Various outreach activities are also undertaken to serve the wider community by way of children's and youth groups, engaging with internationals, student support, production of a discipleship magazine, various outreach missions from time to time and providing support for those in need in numerous ways.

4. Review of the year

Manor Park Church continued to be based at Honeywell Primary School, Worcester, led by a team of Elders and Deacons ending the year with a formal membership of just over 70 and a Sunday morning congregation of around 140.

This work was led by full time Pastors Roy Summers (Lead Pastor), Peter Oram (Trainee Pastor, appointed 1st May 2022) and Nathan Gray (Trainee Pastor, appointed 1st January 2023) who carried out the main work of running services, preaching and teaching, ministry to the congregation and engagement with the local community.

In March 2025 we started a second Sunday morning congregation at Dyson Perrins C of E Academy in Malvern, supported by a number of our church members, as a step towards planting and establishing a new church in Malvern.,

Our Church Administrator Russ Young (originally appointed in May 2017) continued through the year to assist the Pastor and Trustees with administration jobs on a part time basis.

Outreach activities continued to be a key focus for the church. We ran a Holiday Bible Club in the summer holidays for the local children, to supplement our weekly outreach to children in the form of Explorers (for primary age children) as well as our Sunday evening meetings for church-based youth. Various other activities were also run through the year, with quizzes, evening classes, homegroups, a weekend away and guest services. A weekly ministry to the elderly was maintained, based at a neighbouring residential home.

5. Financial review

The general fund income for the year of £155,522 was not quite sufficient to cover the general fund expenditure of £165,159 leaving a deficit of £9,637. However, this was as budgeted and cash balances were sufficient to cover this. At the year-end these were £50,066.

6. Policy for distributing gifts

The Managing Trustees have a policy that a sum of 10% of donations received (~£15,000) is budgeted for mission activity and other charitable giving. The decisions as to which activities, individuals and organisations are supported by this sum require the approval of the Managing Trustees and this is reviewed regularly.

7. Plans for future periods

The Elders will continue to seek God's plans for the future development of the Church and intend to continue to remain true to Scripture and its teachings in any future work that is undertaken.

8. Independent Examiner

The Managing Trustees have voted to appoint Ian Jarvis, Vertis Accounting Limited, as our independent examiner for 2024/25

This report was approved by the Managing Trustees on 9/11/25 and signed on their behalf by:

Mike Wilson, Trustee



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FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's
report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

MANOR PARK EVANGELICAL CHURCH

On accounts for the year
ended

31 MARCH 2025

Charity no
(if any)

1154885

Set out on pages

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above
charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 MARCH 2025.

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").

Independent
examiner's statement

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.

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:

Date:

25/11/25.

Name:

IAN JARVIS

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

Fellow of the Institute of Chartered
Accountants in England & Wales - FCA.

Address:

Independence House
Queen Street
Worcester WR1 2PL.

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

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 Address: *[Handwritten Address]*
 Date: *[Handwritten Date]*