



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **1 / 1 / 24** Period start date To **31 / 12 / 24** Period end date

Charity name: **Westcliffe Road Christian Church**

Charity registration number: **1155190**

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>To advance the Christian faith for the benefit of the public in accordance with the statements of belief as noted below;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) We believe in the verbal inspiration of the Old and New Testament Scriptures as originally given and their final authority and sufficiency in all matters pertaining to faith and practice.</li><li>b) We believe in the unity of the Godhead and the eternal co-equality of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit; the sovereignty of God in Creation, providence and redemption.</li><li>c) We believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as true God and true man; His deity, incarnation, virgin birth, sinless life, atoning death and physical resurrection.</li><li>d) We believe in the work of Jesus Christ in His life, death and resurrection as Representative and Substitute; His atonement for sin, thereby securing righteousness, forgiveness and eternal life for all who are united to Him by faith.</li><li>e) We believe in the ascension of the Lord Jesus Christ, His intercession at the throne of God, His coming again personally and visibly in glory and power.</li><li>f) We believe in the Holy Spirit's deity and personality and His essential work in regeneration, conversion and sanctification.</li><li>g) We believe in the creation of man in the image of God, his sin and fall, the consequences passing to all humanity, extending to every part of human nature and resulting in the universal guilt of mankind before God.</li></ul>

		<p>h) We believe in the personality of Satan, his opposition to God and His purposes and his corruption and enslavement of man.</p> <p>i) We believe in salvation solely by the grace of God, accomplished by God the Son and applied by God the Holy Spirit; appropriated by God-given faith in the Lord Jesus Christ; including regeneration, justification, sanctification and final glorification.</p> <p>j) We believe in the bodily resurrection of the just and the unjust, the one to eternal life and the other to eternal punishment.</p> <p>k) We believe in the one holy, universal Church that is the Body of Christ to which all true believers belong.</p>
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>Our regular activities include;</p> <p>Sunday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Morning Service, including a Youth Church (Sunday School)</li> <li>• Evening Service</li> <li>• Messy Church (Once a month)</li> <li>• Service in Elm Tree Court care home once a month for residents who wish to attend (in partnership with other local churches)</li> </ul> <p>Monday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Playtime (Parents and toddlers)</li> </ul> <p>Tuesday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 'TLC' (Tuesday Luncheon Club) open to all over 55 years of age</li> <li>• Afternoon Bible Study</li> </ul> <p>Wednesday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Crafty Chatter (Twice a month)</li> <li>• Ladies Fellowship</li> <li>• Bible Study</li> </ul> <p>Thursday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Xplore (Children's activities for those in Key Stage 1 &amp; 2)</li> <li>• Westcliffe forum (once a month)</li> </ul> <p>Friday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Xchange (Youth group meeting twice a month for those in Years 6-13)</li> </ul> <p>Saturday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Open air meeting in Shipley market place (once a month)</li> </ul> <p>Sunday services and Wednesday Bible study are also available via Zoom allowing those unable to</p>

		<p>attend for any reason to still participate in the meetings.</p> <p>In addition, we have held a number of '1 off' events throughout the year in support of the work undertaken including a Christmas Fair, and Carol service.</p> <p>These events are all advertised by 'word of mouth' as well as leaflet drops to around 500 houses in the immediate vicinity of the church.</p> <p>Most events include a presentation of the Gospel in reaching out to those around us and/or a time of 'ministry' where we learn more about the Christian faith and putting this into practice within our lives.</p> <p>We have also delivered Christian literature to the neighbourhood around the church, linking in with key events such as Easter and Christmas. These leaflets have contact details of the church, should anyone wish to get in touch with us.</p> <p>We also support financially a number of Christian organisations who have had connection with the church in the past, and are now furthering the Christian message both within the UK and abroad. These are funded either through regular giving from the congregation, or as 'one-off' contributions to the work which they undertake.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The charity trustees 'have regard' to the Charity Commissions guidance on public benefit guidance both when planning events, and reviewing work that has been undertaken.

#### **Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	<b>n/a</b>
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	<b>n/a</b>
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	None of the activities undertaken would be possible without the help and support of all those involved in the church – the Trustees would like to

		extend a formal note of thanks to all who contribute time, money and resources.
Other		<b>n/a</b>

## Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>Attendance at all meetings/groups has generally been maintained at the same level 2023</p> <p>Special events have given an opportunity for others to join in and we continue to share the Gospel of Salvation with all those that attend.</p> <p>Through the year, there have been specific gifts made to individuals, and Christian organisations in support of the ingoing works that they undertake.</p> <p>We have also made contributions to the local foodbank, following from our 'harvest' events.</p>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	<b>n/a</b>
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	<b>n/a</b>
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	<b>n/a</b>
Other		<b>n/a</b>

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	We are blessed with healthy finances amounting to £18,150 at the end of 2024. We expect significant outlay through 2024 for new heating boiler – after which we will also be considering further refurbishment of the building, in particular the toilets.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Finances are reviewed on a monthly basis at Trustees meetings. Whilst no specific policy on reserves currently exists, we are blessed with a relatively healthy balance of funds - we ensure that there are sufficient funds to undertake all regular work within the church and review this again before commissioning any significant works to the building.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	No specific reserves, balance at £18,150 at end of year
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	n/a
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	n/a
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	n/a

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	All funding is provided by the church fellowship, either by giving by bank transfer, or weekly giving via collection boxes positioned by the door to the main Hall.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	With the exception of funds held within conventional bank accounts, we do not have any funds invested in outside agencies or organisations.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The church has an aging congregation, which influences what they are able to undertake in practical matters and likely limits the level of financial giving. We actively seek the Lord's guidance as to how we are to lead His church into the future.
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustees must be appointed by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees.

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	n/a
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	n/a
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	n/a
Other		n/a

## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Westcliffe Road Christian Church
Other name the charity uses	Westcliffe Church
Registered charity number	1155190
Charity's principal address	Westcliffe Church Westcliffe Road Shipley Bradford BD18 3EE

### **Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Paul Brownlow	Chair		
2	Ian Hutchinson			
3	Robert Strachan	Secretary		
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

[illegible]

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

[illegible]

## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	n/a
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	n/a
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	n/a

### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

#### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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## Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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## Other optional information


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## Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Paul Brownlow	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	3 / 2 / 2025	



## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	Jan-24		Dec-24

### 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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Offerings & Gifts	20,277	5,265	-	25,542	24,649
Income Tax Refunds	5,982	-	-	5,982	5,664
Interest	906	-	-	906	869
Playtime Receipts	-	414	-	414	481
Weekend Events Receipts	-	-	-	-	-
Tuesday Fellowship Receipts	-	413	-	413	463
Tuesday Luncheon Club Receipts	-	5,025	-	5,025	5,595
Westcliffe Forum	-	328	-	328	335
Crafty Chatter	-	171	-	171	251
Other Restricted Funds Income	-	247	-	247	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>27,164</b>	<b>11,862</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>39,027</b>	<b>38,308</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
None	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>27,164</b>	<b>11,862</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>39,027</b>	<b>38,308</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Speakers' Expenses	2,710	-	-	2,710	1,950
Sundry Services Expenses	513	-	-	513	483
General Youth Work Exps	369	-	-	369	392
Xplore - Children's Club Expenses	283	-	-	283	247
Xchange Café Teenagers' Club Exps	572	-	-	572	283
Youth Church Exps	37	-	-	37	-
Kool Kidz Klub - Monthly Sat Children's Club Exps	-	-	-	-	-
Children's Holiday Club Exps	358	-	-	358	384
Adult Outreach	1,359	-	-	1,359	1,757
Sundry Expenses	6,198	-	-	6,198	4,051
Fellowship Events	679	-	-	679	569
Gifts to Other Christian Groups/Individuals	2,557	-	-	2,557	3,525
Gas & Electricity	5,100	-	-	5,100	3,172
Furniture & Equipment	-	-	-	-	13
Repairs to Equipment	839	-	-	839	1,979
Insurances	2,782	-	-	2,782	2,479
Building Maintenance Exps	-	2,818	-	2,818	6,827
Gifts to Christian Missionaries	-	5,265	-	5,265	5,012
Support for Children	-	-	-	-	-
Playtime Expenditure	-	317	-	317	395
Weekend Events Expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Tuesday Fellowship Expenses	-	339	-	339	505
Tuesday Luncheon Club Expenses	-	4,911	-	4,911	5,469
Westcliffe Forum Expenditure	-	359	-	359	296
Crafty Chatter	-	71	-	71	68
Other Restricted Funds Expenditure	-	247	-	247	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>24,356</b>	<b>14,326</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>38,682</b>	<b>39,857</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
<b>Last Year's Asset Purchases</b>					1,075
Fire Door Alarm	94	-	-	94	-
Xerox B225 Printer	146	-	-	146	-
Coffee Mugs x 24	48	-	-	48	-
New Projector for Church hall	812	-	-	812	-
Scaffold to install new projector	550	-	-	550	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>ADDITIONS TO ADD EACH MONTH</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>ADDITIONS TO ADD EACH MONTH</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>1,650</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,650</b>	<b>1,075</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>26,006</b>	<b>14,326</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>40,333</b>	<b>40,932</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>1,158</b>	<b>- 2,464</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 1,306</b>	<b>- 2,624</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>- 2,393</b>	<b>2,393</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>18,868</b>	<b>597</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>19,465</b>	<b>22,089</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>17,633</b>	<b>526</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>18,159</b>	<b>19,465</b>

## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash in Hand	153	526	-
	Affirmative Deposit Fund A/cs	15,755	-	-
	Barclays Bank Savings A/cs	1,725	-	-
	Kingdom Bank A/c	-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>17,633</b>	<b>526</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	None	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	None			
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Land & Building	Building		
	Fixtures & Fittings	Building/General		
	Equipment	General		
B5 Liabilities	Creditor re New Kitchen Units	Building		
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	RC Strachan	ROBERT G. STRACHAN	5.2.25	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Charity Name

Westcliffe Road Christian Church

On accounts for the year  
ended

31<sup>st</sup> December 2024

Charity no  
(if any)

1155190

Set out on pages

(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 31/12/2024.

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent  
examiner's statement

~~[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [ ] if not applicable.~~

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below \*) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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.

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

Signed:

Roger P. Worton

Date:

30/1/2025

Name:

ROGER DAVID WORTON

Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body

RETIREES FARM BUSINESS RECORDER



(if any):

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## Section B

### Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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.