



Trustees' Annual Report

for the period

From (start date) 0 1 0 1 2 5 to (end date) 3 1 1 2 2 5

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

Garw Valley Links

Other names the charity is known by

Garw Valley Links Community Church

Registered charity number (if any)

1 1 5 7 7 3 6

Charity's principal address

5 Railway Terrace

Blaengarw

Bridgend

Postcode C F 3 2 8 A T

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	David Rhodes	Chair		Trustees
2	Ann Peggy Rhodes	Secretary		Trustees
3	Kim Natasha Laing	Treasurer		Trustees
4	Charles Edward Laing			Trustees
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Section A

Reference and administration details (continued)

Names and addresses of advisers (optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

Section B

Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document
(eg trust deed, constitution)

Constitution

How the charity is constituted
(eg trust, association, company)

Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Trustee selection methods
(eg appointed by, elected by)

Appointed by Trustees

Additional governance issues (optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
 - relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Section C

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

Advancement of the Christian religion.
Prevention or relief of poverty.
Education of the poor in financial management.
Provide facilities for those in need of social welfare in order to improve their conditions of life.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

In planning all activities the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit was kept in mind at trustee meetings. Christian worship meetings which include activities for children, the running of the local foodbank and a drop in centre with free clothes, open to the general public and free of charge.

Additional details of objectives and activities (optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

All activities are undertaken by volunteers.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Garw Valley Links leased a shop called 'His Place' in Pontycymmer, Bridgend until 23rd October 2025.

Pontycymmer Foodbank that was run in 'His Place' has now moved into Pontycymmer OAP Centre. The opening hours on a Wednesday remain the same. 213 food vouchers were fulfilled in 2025, providing food for 514 people (366 adults and 148 children). Free drinks were also available to any who came in from the community. Once a month Citizens Advice Bureau come to the Foodbank providing practical advice to those seeking help.

Sunday church meetings are held in Tabernacle Chapel, Pontycymmer and in Blaengarw Community Centre. Some fellowship meetings are held on Zoom for those able to access the network.

Several successful Fun Day events have been held in Tabernacle and a local park for families and children. A monthly ladies meeting has been re-established.

Continued support has been given to works that the charity has been linked with internationally for several years..

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity does not have a reserves policy

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Not applicable

Further financial review details (optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The charity's funds come from offerings, donations and HMRC Gift Aid repayments. General funds enable the charity to function as a local community church and run Pontycymer Foodbank' for the benefit of the local community.

Offerings also provide meals and help for poor students in Bookshine School in Nairobi, Kenya and support for widows and orphans in Cordova, Cebu, Philippines.

The charity also supports the local church in Cordova, rural churches in Kenya in the work in their communities, Joseph Storehouse in Israel and outreach work with refugees in Greece.

Section F

Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

David Rhodes *Kim Natasha Laing*

Full name(s)

David Rhodes

Kim Natasha Laing

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

Treasurer

Date

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Receipts and Payments Accounts

Charity name **Garw Valley Links**

Charity number (if any) **1 1 5 7 7 3 6**

For the period from (start date) **0 1 0 1 2 5**

to (end date) **3 1 1 2 2 5**
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 and Offerings	8,912	1,019		9,931	13,050
HMRC Gift Aid Payments	2,555			2,555	1,952
HMRC SGADS Payments	206			206	178
Bridgend Foodbank Donation	500			500	
<i>Sub total</i>	12,173	1,019		13,192	15,180
A2 Asset and investment sales, etc					
<i>Total receipts</i>	12,173	1,019		13,192	15,180
A3 Payments					
International Mission /Support	4,791	1,010		5,801	4,152
Rent of Premises	3,325			3,325	4,659
Utilities/Maintenance at His Place	943			943	741
Transport	650			650	339
Music Licences/Child Protection	502			502	484
Insurance	327			327	322
Stationary/Equipment/Internet	251			251	382
Catering					50
UK Mission	114			114	1,037
Educational/Personal Support	259	20		279	619
<i>Sub total</i>	11,162	1030		12,192	12,785
A4 Asset and investment purchases, etc					
<i>Total payments</i>	11,162	1030		12,192	12,785
<i>Net of receipts/(payments)</i>	1011	-11		1,000	2,395
A5 Transfers between funds					
A6 Cash funds last year end					
				4,275	
<i>Cash funds this year end</i>	7,651	18		7669	6,669

Section B

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

B1 Cash funds

Details	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £
Cash in Bank	7,651	18	
<i>Total cash funds</i> (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	7,651	18	

B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the 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)

B5 Liabilities


Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)

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

Signature

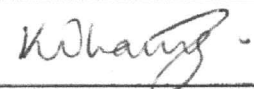
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Date of approval



David Rhodes

24/03/26



Kim Natasha Laing

24/03/26