

THE SHIRLEY COMMUNITY CHAPLAINCY (NORTH-EAST)

England & Wales · Charity number 1158939

Details

Other names	THE SHIRLEY TRUST
Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2014-10-22
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	25 Swindon Terrace Newcastle Upon Tyne NE6 5RB
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Activities

Objects: TO PROMOTE THE REHABILITATION AND RESETTLEMENT OF OFFENDERS AND EX-OFFENDERS FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT IN TYNE AND WEAR AND ITS SURROUNDING AREA BY SUCH MEANS AS THE TRUSTEES IN THEIR ABSOLUTE DISCRETION DEEM APPROPRIATE AND WITHIN A CHRISTIAN ETHOS.

Activities: The Shirley Community Chaplaincy(North East) helps,supports and encourages ex-offenders to integrate successfully back into society. We offer counselling,practical support and a range of activities to assist ex- offenders to make the transition out of prison.Activities include; camping,fishing, walking and visits to places of interest. Ex- offenders are encouraged to train as peer mentors.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Religious Activities, Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Other Defined Groups

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** TYNE AND WEAR AND ITS SURROUNDING AREA
- Cumbria
- Durham
- Gateshead
- Newcastle Upon Tyne City
- North Tyneside
- Northumberland
- South Tyneside

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£47,698	£37,694	-	-
2024-03-31	£39,558	£33,090	-	-
2023-03-31	£45,793	£26,505	-	-
2022-03-31	£19,848	£26,001	-	-
2021-03-31	£21,447	£20,650	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
DAVID SCOTT	Chair	2014-10-02
DR HELEN MARY PEPPER		2015-07-02
Helen Rachel Bartlett		2014-10-02
Rev RICHARD KIRK BRYANT		2014-10-02

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Accounts



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

The Shirley Community Chaplaincy (North East)

No (if any)

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 01/04/2024	To	Period end date 31/03/2025
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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					
Voluntary Income	12,697	-	-	12,697	39,451
Bank interest	162	-	-	162	107
Trust Funding	20,000	-	-	20,000	-
HMRC Gift Aid	3,407	-	-	3,407	-
Reclaim Travel Exp	41	-	-	41	-
Fundraising	11,392	-	-	11,392	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	47,698	-	-	47,698	39,558
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	47,698	-	-	47,698	39,558
A3 Payments					
Salary	20,454	-	-	20,454	18,049
Transport	3,312	-	-	3,312	4,596
Food/Accommodation	1,266	-	-	1,266	3,354
Outings	391	-	-	391	580
Pension	1,422	-	-	1,422	600
Office/Insurance/Payrol	1,275	-	-	1,275	5,268
Emergency Support	528	-	-	528	608
Bank Fee	192	-	-	192	35
PAYE TAX NIC	4,857	-	-	4,857	-
Volunteer Admin Support	3,699	-	-	3,699	-
Mobile Costs	300	-	-	300	-
Sub total	37,694	-	-	37,694	33,090
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	37,694	-	-	37,694	33,090
Net of receipts/(payments)	10,004	-	-	10,004	6,468
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	30,580	-	-	30,580	24,111
Cash funds this year end	40,584	-	-	40,584	30,579

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

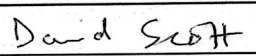

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash in Hand	65	-	
	Virgin Account	12,291	-	
	CAF Bank Account	28,228	-	-
	Total cash funds	40,584	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		David Scott	25.09.25
		Rev Canon Richard Bryant	25.09.25

Independent Examiner's report to the trustees of The Shirley Community Chaplaincy
(North-East)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Shirley Community Chaplaincy for the year ended 31/03/25

Responsibilities and basis of the report

As the charity trustees of the Shirley Community Chaplaincy, 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

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act, or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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 order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

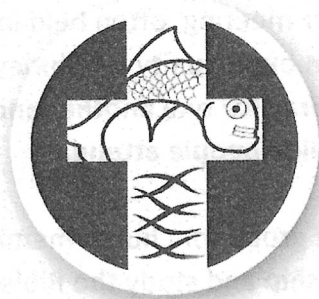
Signed: *S. Groves*

Name: Mr Stephen Groves

Date: 10 August 2025

THE SHIRLEY COMMUNITY CHAPLAINCY (North East)

ANNUAL REPORT 2024/2025



Introduction

In the year 2024/2025 Shirley has continued to highlight the provision of guidance and both practical and spiritual help to individuals. Referrals often start in prison, followed by visits in and outside prison, some including collecting clients at the point of their release and taking them to approved premises or other locations. On occasions, as in previous years, there has been engagement with the judicial process, as the chaplain has sought to offer support throughout the good, the bad and sometimes the ugly challenges which follow!

The chaplaincy was founded in 2014, and the first two years of operations focused largely upon activities with men from HMP Northumberland, whom the chaplain had known in his time as chaplain there. In the last nine years, the chaplaincy's reach has been broadened through referrals from existing members, regional prison chaplains, probation officers and other agents. The chaplaincy is a member of the Community Chaplaincy Association.

Shirley continues as a client-centred organisation, and the chaplain seeks to accommodate the wide variety of needs, energies and skills of the client body in a range of activities and engagements. While most of the chaplain's time is spent with individuals, he has always tried to incorporate in Shirley's programme several group events, outings and meetings, and this aspect of Shirley's life has recently become more prominent. In 2024/25 the corporate emphasis revolved round involvement in church and community events in Greenside parish in the diocese of Durham, and the chaplaincy has encouraged clients to explore and develop their faith. There have also been social visits to Hexhamshire, and regular contacts among clients themselves, often enabled through the chaplain.

The chaplain has continued to work on a 0.8 basis, and the administrator continues to work 0.15 on finance and administration. This has worked well all round, and the administrator has also had some in-person involvement with clients, notably a female client. We acknowledge warmly the dedication and hard work, ability and flexibility of the chaplain, administrator, volunteers, partners and clients.

A Week in the Life of Shirley

The chaplain spends much of his time with individuals, in-person and by 'phone, but he has also been engaged in planning and implementing various group activities and residentials.

On a weekly basis the following commitments ran in the past year:

- Monday - Weekly prayer meeting, often held in Paul's and church members' homes and now on Zoom: an opportunity for Shirley clients and members of Holy Spirit Church Crawcrook to pray for one another and about matters of wider concern. Between two and nine people attend.
- Wednesday - Weekly social group for church members and clients: an opportunity to share food, socialise, worship and study the Bible. Between three and ten people attend.
- Sunday - Service at Holy Spirit Crawcrook. There is an open invitation for any of our clients to attend church with the chaplain, followed by a lunch with a number of church members in a nearby café or in a member's own home. Between one and three clients attend at any one time.

The Past Year

This year the chaplain has been working with eighteen clients on an intensive basis. As always, his main concern has been to enable them to grow in self-confidence and to integrate well with other people, and he has been available on a 'phone line, as well as in-person, to offer support to clients at home, in prison, at court and in hospital.

The chaplain has continued to speak as an advocate for several clients in court and before parole boards. He has also worked constructively with solicitors, the probation service, police, MAPPA (Multi Agency Public Protection Arrangements) and hospitals. He has visited clients and potential clients regularly in Northumberland, Durham and Holme House prisons, and twice this year he visited a client in Rampton hospital in Nottingham. Contact with prisons has continued to develop, as several clients have breached the terms of their licences and been returned to prison, and as the chaplain's visits to them have generated new clients among fellow inmates. The list of the chaplain's activities in Appendix 1 gives an overall view of the range and scale of his interactions and interventions.

The chaplain and chaplaincy continue to believe in Shirley's stated values and have seen important developments in all clients. Among this year's highlights have been:

- taking 3 clients to play golf, a new activity for Shirley
- taking Michael McGorlick, a volunteer from Gateway church, and three clients to the Cutting Edge Men's Conference in Swindon 28 February to 2 March, run by Christian Vision for Men (CVM)
- the administrator's care with a female client, an excellent addition to the charity's work
- helping one client to move from prison to approved premises, find work and a place to live, whilst growing in the Christian faith

- watching a client completely revamp his life over the past 5 years, moving from prison, to run a successful business and develop a serious, long-term relationship
- seeing a client move from prison and living for six years on the street to being baptised, getting his own council place and helping other clients
- supporting a client who is still homeless after prison, currently sofa-surfing. Despite this and his learning difficulties, he attends church regularly, helps in church and is well received by church members.

Although strictly outside the year 2024/25, the participation of two clients in the Men's Christian Camping Festival in June in Milton Keynes is worth mentioning as a product of the chaplain's endeavours during the year and of these two clients' growing faith and self-confidence over the past year. The chaplain hopes that they and others will be inspired by Jesus' invitation "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me" (John 10:27).

Trustees, the Management Committee and the Pastoral Group, have continued to meet on a regular basis (each of them every two or three months throughout the year). They were delighted to arrange the annual Christmas meal with clients and supporters in December 2024 in a Jesmond restaurant. The chaplain has also consolidated his and Shirley's place within the structure and ministry of Holy Spirit Crawcrook, where he serves as a licensed Reader, as well as being a member of the Greenside Parochial Church Council, the Gateshead West Deanery Synod, Durham Diocesan Synod and the Bishop's Council.

On the financial front, the highlight this year has been Shirley's participation in the Big Give fund-raising enterprise, through which the £10,000 target was reached in the sponsored Bible-reading which took place in November 2024 in Holy Spirit Crawcrook. Thanks go to all who participated, to the Holy Spirit vicar and church council for hosting it and to Gaye, our administrator, for managing it.

Chaplaincy Structure and Support

The chaplaincy supports the chaplain and his work through its Board of Trustees, the Management Committee and the Pastoral Group. A supporter's generous donation, over three years, has enabled the trustees to fund the chaplain's work at 0.8 and the administrator's work at 0.15 (to address communication, finance, marketing and other administrative tasks). They were also able to raise the chaplain's salary by 6%, from August 2024. They acknowledge with gratitude the contribution the administrator has made over the past two years in managing the finances, facilitating Management Committee meetings and publishing the quarterly newsletter to inform members of recent and forthcoming events.

Plans for the Future

Trustees hope to enhance the Chaplain's salary to full-time within the next couple of years, to match his workload. They know that they will need to build up further resources to

sustain any growth in staffing and attendant work expansion, prompted in recent years by the supporter's generous donations over the past three years. Specifically, they hope to supplement the chaplain with assistant and volunteer support, to enable the chaplaincy's work to proceed and develop safely and to encourage more work with individuals and in group activities.

The chaplaincy has been disappointed that two big meetings planned for 2025 through Durham diocese and the Community Chaplaincy Association (CCA) have not taken place, due to personnel changes in both organisations. It hopes that both can take place once new staffing issues have been resolved in the diocese and CCA. The plan was and still is to enable local churches to become more aware of opportunities to be involved in the care of people who have served sentences, and to liaise with the CCA in bringing together a number of partners, to explore ways in which they can offer more cohesive ways of enabling former prisoners' wellbeing after release.

Challenges

The chaplain, trustees and members of the Management Committee have identified the following challenges as priorities to be addressed in 2025-2026:

1. increasing staffing level, by appointing an assistant chaplain and expanding the number of volunteers
2. expanding the annual income to provide secure funding beyond the next two years.

Thanks

The chaplaincy again records its gratitude to the vicar of Greenside, Tom Brazier, and the congregations of Greenside parish, (Holy Spirit Crawcrook and St John's Greenside): they have made Shirley welcome in so many ways, and in November 2024 they hosted again the chaplaincy's major fund-raising activity, a sponsored reading of parts of the Bible.

The chaplaincy has been indebted this last year to Michael from Gateway, who has accompanied the chaplain at both residentials and on a number of other occasions, including picking up clients from prison.

It also thanks warmly its volunteers and those who support its work in prayer (including Greenside church members who have hosted the Prayer Group), finance and other practical ways.

David Scott (Chair of Trustees and Management Committee), Richard Bryant (Chair of Pastoral Group), Paul Hobbs (Community Chaplain), Gaye Templeton (Administrator)

20 August 2025

David Scott 25/9/25
Richard Bryant 25/9/25

Appendix 1 – List of the Chaplain’s Contacts with Clients and Related People in 2024-2025
 (taken from the Chaplaincy Diary 1st April 2024 - 31st March 2025)

In total, there were 277 interactions, involving 18 clients, who identified as 14 white British males, 1 black male, 1 mixed-race male and 1 white British female. The age-ranges covered were:

20 to 30	1
30 to 40	9
40 to 50	4
50 to 60	3
60 to 70	1

Contacts:

Received phone calls from Prison	33
Phone calls with clients in community	67
Phone calls to secure hospitals	4
Letters received from Prison	4
Sent letters/cards to prison	19
Visits to prison	10
Pick up from Prison	3
Home visits	29
Visits to hospital	3
Prayers meeting	20
Meals out for clients	53
Clients taken to church	59
Clients attending bacon sandwich club	8
Food parcels given	12
Taken clients golf	3
Trip to Scotland 2 nights	1
Cutting Edge conference 1 night	2
Clients died	2
Led memorial service	1
Funeral attended	1
Client Baptism	1
Attended meditation group	1

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Accounts



Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01/04/2023	To	31/03/2024
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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					
Voluntary Income	39,451	-	-	39,451	45,793
Bank interest	107	-	-	107	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	39,558	-	-	39,558	45,793
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	39,558	-	-	39,558	45,793
A3 Payments					
Salary	18,049	-	-	18,049	16,014
Transport	4,596	-	-	4,596	3,948
Food/Accommodation	3,354	-	-	3,354	2,704
Outings	580	-	-	580	1,193
Pension	600	-	-	600	398
Office/Insurance/Payrol	5,268	-	-	5,268	600
Emergency Support	608	-	-	608	1,448
Bank Fee	35	-	-	35	200
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	33,090	-	-	33,090	26,505
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	33,090	-	-	33,090	26,505
Net of receipts/(payments)	6,468	-	-	6,468	19,288
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	24,111	-	-	24,111	4,823
Cash funds this year end	30,579	-	-	30,579	24,111

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

		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash in Hand	361	-	
	Virgin Account	9,728	-	
	CAF Bank Account	20,490	-	-
	Total cash funds	30,579	-	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	David Scott	David Scott	10.10.24
	R.K. Bryant	Rev Canon Richard Bryant	10.10.24

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Signed: *S. Groves*

Name: STEPHEN GROVES

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15/8/2024.

THE SHIRLEY COMMUNITY CHAPLAINCY (North East)

ANNUAL REPORT 2023/2024



Introduction

The year 2023/2024 has seen Shirley consolidate its post-pandemic pattern of operation, with the emphasis being on providing guidance and help to individuals and a smaller number of corporate activities than in pre-pandemic years. Significant events and developments among clients and staff have also had an impact on operational patterns. One client died in the year, and several others either returned to prison, after licence infringements, or were released from their sentences; the Chaplain has been heavily involved in all these instances. Shirley has extended the Chaplain's work to 0.8, in order to address their attendant challenges and at the same time appointed a part-time administrator, both thanks to a generous donation from a supporter. This has freed the Chaplain to spend more time with clients and on their care and rehabilitation. The description of contacts at the end of this report (appendix 1) indicates the range and depth of chaplaincy engagements, and we acknowledge warmly the dedication and hard work, ability and flexibility of the Chaplain, Administrator, volunteers, partners and clients.

The Chaplaincy was founded in 2014, and the first two years of operations focused largely upon activities with men from HMP Northumberland, whom the Chaplain had known in his time as chaplain there. In the last eight years, the Chaplaincy's reach has been broadened through referrals from existing members, regional prison chaplains, probation officers and other agents. The Chaplaincy is a member of the Community Chaplaincy Association.

Shirley continues as a client-centred organisation, and the Chaplain seeks to accommodate the wide variety of needs, energies and skills of the client body in a range of activities and engagements. In previous years there have been several group events, outings and meetings, and the Chaplain hopes to develop a programme of events, outings and residentials in the forthcoming year, as the number of client referrals and releases grows. Greenside parish in the diocese of Durham has continued to be enormously hospitable to Shirley and its clients, and the Chaplaincy hopes both that clients give something back to the local church and community, and that constructive relationships with other churches in the region may develop as its work expands.

A Week in the Life of Shirley

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This year the Chaplain has been working with nineteen clients on an intensive basis. As always, his main concern has been to enable them to grow in self-confidence and to integrate well with other people, and he has been available on a 'phone line, as well as in-person, to offer support to clients at home, in prison and in hospital.

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One of Shirley's first clients, Jimmy, died in June 2023, after a time of personal troubles. Jimmy had been a peer mentor in Shirley's early years and had offered great support to fellow clients, among them Bobby, who died the previous year. Jimmy had also been a member of the Management Committee and had been a very encouraging ambassador for the Chaplaincy. *May he rest in peace.*

Trustees, the Management Committee and the Pastoral Group, have continued to meet on a regular basis (each of them meeting every two or three months throughout the year). They were delighted to arrange the annual Christmas meal with clients and supporters in December 2023 in a Jesmond restaurant. The Chaplain has also consolidated his and Shirley's place within the structure and ministry of Holy Spirit Crawcrook, and he ministers as a licensed Reader in the diocese of Durham, following a happy service in Holy Spirit Crawcrook in July 2023, which was attended by trustees, supporters and clients. The Chaplain continues to be a member of the Greenside Parochial Church Council, the Gateshead West Deanery Synod, Durham Diocesan Synod and the Bishop's Council.

Chaplaincy Structure and Support

The Chaplaincy offers support to the Chaplain and his work through its Board of Trustees, the Management Committee and the Pastoral Group. Largely through a supporter's generous donation, promised over three years, the Trustees were able to appoint an Administrator to work one day a week from June 2023, to address communication, finance, marketing and other administrative tasks.

They were also able to raise the Chaplain's salary from 0.7 to 0.8, coupled with a 10% increase, from August 2023.

Plans for the Future

Trustees hope to enhance the Chaplain's salary to full-time within the next few years, to match his workload. They know that they will need to build up resources to sustain the growth in staffing and the potential growth in work enabled by a recent generous donation. Specifically, they hope to supplement the Chaplain with assistant and volunteer support, to enable the Chaplaincy's work to proceed and develop safely and to encourage more work with individuals and in group activities.

Arising from the Chaplain's profile in Durham diocese and the Community Chaplaincy Association (CCA), Shirley is expecting to liaise with the CCA in sponsoring an event in Autumn to bring together a number of partners, to explore ways in which they can offer more cohesive ways of enabling former prisoners' wellbeing. It hopes that probation officers, social workers, the police, the church, prison chaplains and other agencies will come together with Shirley for a day's congress. The congress has the backing of the Church of England's lead bishop for prisoner welfare, as well as the CCA, and the Trustees and Management Committee are hopeful that this will be an important milestone in Shirley's development.

Challenges

The Chaplain, trustees and members of the Management Committee have identified the following challenges as priorities to be addressed in 2024-2025:

1. increasing staffing level, by appointing an Assistant Chaplain and expanding the number of volunteers
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The Chaplaincy also thanks warmly its volunteers and all who support its work in prayer, finance and other practical ways.

David Scott (Chair of Trustees and Management Committee), Richard Bryant (Chair of Pastoral Group), Paul Hobbs (Community Chaplain)

15 August 2024

Appendix 1 – List of the Chaplain’s Contacts with Clients and Related People in 2023-2024 (taken from the Chaplaincy Diary 1st April 2023 - 31st March 2024)

In total, there were 279 interactions, involving 19 clients, who identified as 16 white British males, 2 ethnic minority males and 1 white British female. An interaction signifies a trip or meal out, church visit, hospital or prison visit, ‘phone call, letter, or attendance at a significant meeting. The following indicative list illustrates the breadth of contacts made in the course of the year:

Prison phone calls from clients 39
Hospital phone calls from clients 25
Community phone calls to clients 31
Community text to clients 26
Home visits 30
Prison visits *via* chaplaincy 2
Prison visits through visits 2
Prison pick-ups 2
Bereavement support 5
Letters to lads 26
Letters received 3
Meals out 19
Taken to church 8
Golf with Paul 3
Bacon Sandwich club 7
Moved client 1
Taken to hospital 1
Parole letters 2
Trips away overnight (11 nights)
Funeral of lads 1

THE SHIRLEY COMMUNITY CHAPLAINCY (NORTH-EAST)

England & Wales - Charity number 1158939

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THE SHIRLEY COMMUNITY CHAPLAINCY (North East)

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This last year has been one of adjustment and consolidation, as Shirley has attempted to help clients address their challenges in a post-Covid world with fewer restrictions but also reduced activities. Some of the groups which clients attended pre-pandemic came to the end of their natural life or have not re-opened, and clients themselves have had to live within the bounds of their licences and medical capabilities. The description of contacts at the end of this report (appendix) indicates the range and depth of chaplaincy engagements, and we acknowledge warmly the dedication and hard work, ability and flexibility of the chaplain, volunteers, partners and clients.

The Chaplaincy was founded in 2014, and the first two years of operations focused largely upon activities with men from HMP Northumberland, whom the chaplain had known in his time as chaplain there. In the last seven years, the Chaplaincy's reach has been broadened through referrals from existing members, regional prison chaplains, probation officers and other agents. The Chaplaincy is a member of the Community Chaplaincy Association.

Shirley is a client-centred organisation, and the chaplain seeks to accommodate the wide variety of needs, energies and skills of the client body in a range of activities and engagements. In previous years there have been several group events, outings and meetings, and it is good to note that some of these have been resumed in the past year: notably, residentials in the Jonas Centre, outings to supporters' and volunteers homes for meals, church services, prayer and social meetings and fishing/cycling trips.

A Week in the Life of Shirley

- Monday - Weekly prayer meeting: an opportunity for Shirley clients and members of Holy Spirit Church Crawcrook to pray for one another and about matters of wider concern. Between two and nine people attend.
- Wednesday - Weekly social group for church members and clients; an opportunity to share food, socialise, worship and study the Bible. Between three and ten people attend.
- Sunday - Service at Holy Spirit Crawcrook. There is an open invitation for any of our clients to attend church with the chaplain, followed by a lunch with a number of church members in a nearby café or in a member's own home. Between one and three clients attend at any one time.

The Past Year

This year the chaplain has been working with twenty two clients. As always, his main concern has been to enable them to grow in self-confidence and to integrate well with other people, and he has been available on a 'phone line, to offer support to clients at home, in prison and in hospital.

The chaplain has continued to speak as an advocate for several clients in court and before parole boards. He has also worked constructively with solicitors, the probation service, police, MAPP (Multi Agency Public Protection Arrangements) and hospitals. He has visited clients and potential

clients regularly in Northumberland, Durham and Holme House prisons, and twice this year he visited a client in Rampton hospital in Nottingham. Contact with prisons has increased appreciably this year, as several clients have breached the terms of their licences and been returned to prison, and as the chaplain's visits to them have generated new clients among fellow inmates. The list of the chaplain's activities in Appendix 1 gives an overall view of the range and scale of his involvements.

One of Shirley's first clients, Bobby, died in December 2022 after a short period in a hospital ward and a longer period of ill-health. His dying and death were significant events for Shirley, with the chaplain being attentive in his final weeks, as since during his life in the community, and involved in the funeral service at Holy Spirit Crawcrook. It is heartening to know that, in addition to about 25 of Bobby's own family and friends, there were also about 25 people from the local church present at his funeral.

Trustees and the Management Committee, as well as the Pastoral Group, have continued to meet in-person, and we were delighted to arrange the annual Christmas meal with clients and supporters in December in a Jesmond restaurant. The chaplain has also consolidated his and Shirley's place within the structure and ministry of Holy Spirit Crawcrook, and he is now a licensed Reader in the diocese of Durham, following a happy service in Holy Spirit Crawcrook in July, which was attended by trustees, supporters and clients. The chaplain continues to be a member of the Parochial Church Council, the Gateshead West Deanery Synod, Durham Diocesan Synod and the Bishop's Council.

Chaplaincy Structure and Support

The Chaplaincy offers support to the chaplain and his work through its Board of Trustees, the Management Committee and the Pastoral Group. Largely through a generous donation promised over three years, the Trustees were able to appoint an administrator to work one day a week from April 2023, to address communication, finance, marketing and other administrative tasks. They were also able to raise the chaplain's salary from 0.7 to 0.8, coupled with a 10% increase, from August 2023.

Trustees hope to enhance the chaplain's salary to full-time within the next few years, and they know that they will need to build up resources to sustain the growth in staffing and the potential growth in work enabled by a recent generous donation. The need to supplement the chaplain with assistant and volunteer support, to enable the Chaplaincy's work to proceed and develop safely and to encourage more group activities, continues to be acute.

Challenges

The chaplain, trustees and members of the Management Committee have identified the following challenges as priorities to be addressed in 2023-2024:


1. increasing staffing level, using assistants and volunteers
2. expanding the annual income to provide secure funding beyond the next few years.

Thanks

The Chaplaincy continues to record its gratitude to the vicar of Greenside, Tom Brazier, and the congregations of Greenside parish, (Holy Spirit Crawcrook and St John's): they have made Shirley welcome in so many ways, and in October 2022 they hosted again the Chaplaincy's major fund-raising activity, a sponsored reading of parts of the Old Testament.

The Chaplaincy also thanks warmly:

- its volunteers: Jayne, Frank, Gaye and Chris, for their behind-the-scenes and front-line work
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David Scott (Chair of Trustees), Richard Bryant (Chair of Pastoral Group),
Paul Hobbs (Community Chaplain)

Appendix – List of the Chaplain’s Contacts with Clients and Related People in 2022-2023

(taken from the Chaplaincy Diary 1st April 2022 - 31st March 2023)

In total, there were 341 interactions, involving 22 clients, who identified as 19 white British males, 2 black British males and 1 white British female. An interaction signifies a trip or meal out, church visit, hospital or prison visit, ‘phone call, letter, or attendance at a significant meeting. The following indicative list illustrates the breadth of contacts made in the course of the year:

Phone calls in 95 +
Phone calls out 26
Texts in 36
Texts out 15
Letters/cards to men in prison/hospital 27
Letters from men in Prison 7
Taken to church 22
Taken to Probation 1
Meals out 40
Visit to coast 2
Prayer meeting 11
Bacon Sandwich club 13
Bought clothes 1
Bought Food 2
Visit men in prison/hospital:
• HMP Northumberland 8
• HMP home house 1
• HMP Durham 1
• Rampton 2
Home visits 19
Visit to Supporter 4
Supported the sick/dying 24
Bereavement support 8
Attended other prayer meetings 3
Funerals attended work related 4
Help with housing 2
Contact with probation 4
Church weekend away 1
Cancellations/no show situations 13
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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name: No (if any):

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from: 01.04.2022 To: 31.03.2023

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					
	45,793	-	-	45,793	19,848
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	45,793	-	-	45,793	19,848
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	45,793	-	-	45,793	19,848
A3 Payments					
Salary	16,014	-	-	16,014	15,478
Tax/Ni	3,948	-	-	3,948	3,854
Transport	2,704	-	-	2,704	2,371
Food/Accommodation	1,193	-	-	1,193	1,485
Outings	398	-	-	398	1,110
Pension	600	-	-	600	600
Office/Insurance, Payroll	1,448	-	-	1,448	820
Emergency Support	200	-	-	200	283
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	26,505	-	-	26,505	26,001
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	26,505	-	-	26,505	26,001
Net of receipts/(payments)	19,288	-	-	19,288	6,153
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	4,823	10,976
Cash funds this year end	19,288	-	-	24,111	4,823

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	296	-	-
	Virgin Account	23,815	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	24,111	-	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
David Scott	DAVID SCOTT	1/11/23
R.K. Bryant	RICHARD BRYANT	1/11/23

Independent Examiner's report to the trustees of The Shirley Community Chaplaincy (North-East)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Shirley Community Chaplaincy for the year ended 31/03/23

Responsibilities and basis of the report

As the charity trustees of the Shirley Community Chaplaincy 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

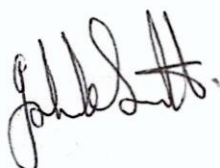
I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause that in any material respect :

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act, or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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 order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Name:



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Relevant professional qualifications or membership of professional bodies(if any): F.C.I.L.T.

Address: 35, Great North Road, Brenta Park, Newcastle upon Tyne NE3 5LR.

Date: 26.10.2023.

* Fellow, Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport

THE SHIRLEY COMMUNITY CHAPLAINCY (NORTH-EAST)

England & Wales - Charity number 1158939

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As we have emerged from lockdown restrictions, Shirley has gladly been re-engaging with clients face-to-face over the past year, although it has not been able to recommence some group activities, largely due to medical issues and the terms of clients' licences. The description of contacts at the end of this report (appendix 1) indicates something of the range and depth of chaplaincy engagements, and we acknowledge warmly the dedication and hard work, ability and flexibility of the chaplain, volunteers and clients.

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The Chaplaincy offers support to the Chaplain and his work through its Board of Trustees, the Management Committee and the Pastoral Group. The Trustees are hoping to award the Chaplain a further, small increase in salary in April 2023 (taking him from .7 to .8); this will depend on an increase in funding, and they are applying themselves to this end. They are acutely aware of the need to raise more money to sustain and extend the work of the Chaplaincy: the annual income of about £25,000.00 allows for the current scope of working operations, but there is an acute need to supplement the Chaplain with assistant and volunteer support, to enable the Chaplaincy's work to proceed and develop safely, and in particular to encourage more group activities.

The Trustees, Management Committee and Pastoral Group have been meeting in-person this year, and much of their time has been spent in addressing finance, promotional and practical issues. They continue to seek ways of locating suitable assistants to work alongside the Chaplain and alleviate some of the stress involved in outings and engagements with clients when the Chaplain is the lone worker. They and the Chaplain are very grateful to the volunteers for the help they have provided on a variety of fronts.

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David Scott (Chair of Trustees), Richard Bryant (Chair of Pastoral Group), Paul Hobbs Community Chaplain

17 November 2022

Appendix 1 – List of the Chaplain’s Contacts with Clients and Related People in 2021-2022

Taken from the Chaplaincy Diary 1st April 2021 - 31st March 2022

In total, there were 463 interactions, involving 22 clients; an interaction signifies a trip or meal out, church visit, hospital or prison visit, ‘phone call, letter, or attendance at a significant meeting. The following indicative list illustrates the breadth of contacts made in the course of the year, with the numbers referring to the number of persons *per* event or day:

Clients’ fishing trips	11
Clients’ meals out	12
Food parcels	19
Clients to church	49
Prayer Meetings	26
Clients’ furniture removals	8
Calls from clients	100+
Recorded Calls from prison	25
Calls from high security hospital	11
Visit to high security security hospital	2
Recorded Calls out	48
Home Visits	45
Court Support	2
Text messages	21
Coffee out with clients	3
Meetings with client and probation officer	4
Probation Officer Contacts	6
Visits to Prisons	21
Contacts with prisoners’ families	9
Bereavement Visits	2
Days out	18
Prison Pick-up	1
Volunteers	3
Client Wedding	1
Passport support	1
Cards, letters, gifts to clients	15
Total Engagements with clients	463
Client no shows	23

David Swift

Chair of Trustees

18/11/22



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Shirley Community Chaplaincy (North-East)

No (if any)
1158939

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Apr-21	To	Mar-22
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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					
	19,848	-	-	19,848	21,447
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	19,848	-	-	19,848	21,447
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	19,848	-	-	19,848	21,447
A3 Payments					
Salary	15,478	-	-	15,478	-
Tax/NI	3,854	-	-	3,854	-
Transport	2,371	-	-	2,371	-
Food/Accommodation	1,485	-	-	1,485	-
Outings/Events	1,110	-	-	1,110	-
Emergencies	283	-	-	283	-
Office/Insurance	820	-	-	820	-
Pension	600	-	-	600	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	26,001	-	-	26,001	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	26,001	-	-	26,001	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 6,153	-	-	- 6,153	21,447
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	10,976	-
Cash funds this year end	4,823	-	-	4,823	21,447

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		4,823	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	4,823	-	-
	(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)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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	Print Name	Date of approval	
	David Scott R.K. Bryant	DAVID SCOTT RICHARD BRYANT	17/11/2022	

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THE SHIRLEY COMMUNITY CHAPLAINCY (North East)

ANNUAL REPORT 2020/2021

As with other organisations, Shirley has had to adjust its way of operating over the past year to accommodate covid-related restrictions. However, you will see from the description of contacts at the end of this report that it has managed to maintain previous years' levels of client support and interaction. This is tribute to the hard work, ability and flexibility of the chaplain, volunteers and clients.

The Chaplaincy was founded in 2014, and the first two years of operations focused largely upon activities with men from HMP Northumberland, whom the Chaplain had known in his time as Chaplain there. In the last five years, the Chaplaincy's scope has broadened through referrals from existing members, regional prison chaplains, probation officers and other agents. The Chaplaincy is a member of the Community Chaplaincy Association.

Shirley is a client-centred organisation, and in previous years there has been a growing list of group events, outings and meetings. In 2020/21 the pandemic affected all these, with the result that the Chaplain's activities were driven largely by particular clients' practical and spiritual needs, and opportunities to socialise were effectively reduced to zero. Some activities were able to continue through zoom, but most clients did not have the technology to access them. With the easing of lockdown restrictions, many of these activities have begun to open up again, among them the weekly prayer meeting, fellowship group, Celebrating Recovery and Life Skills group and Church services.

A Non-covid Week in the Life of Shirley

- Monday - Weekly prayer meeting: an opportunity for Shirley clients and members of Holy Spirit Church Crawcrook to pray for the one another and about matters of wider concern. Between two and nine people attend.

- Wednesday - Weekly fellowship group for church members and clients: an opportunity to worship, pray, study the Bible and socialise. Between three and ten people attend.

- Friday - Celebrating recovery group and life skills group at Elim Pentecostal church in Heaton, for clients and others to encourage one another in addressing addiction and advancing life skills. Between one and five clients attend.

- Sunday - Service at Holy Spirit Crawcrook. There is an open invitation for any of our clients to attend church with the chaplain, followed by a lunch with a number of church members in a nearby café or in a member's own home. Between one and seven clients attend.

The Past Year

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This year, because of the pandemic, the regular round of services and meetings, the occasional outings and residentials and the annual Christmas meal in a Jesmond restaurant have not been possible. It is good to note that, at the time of writing, many of these are beginning to restart. Over the past year, the

Chaplain has also consolidated his and Shirley's place within the structure and ministry of Holy Spirit Crawcrook. As well as leading worship and preaching on occasions, he is a member of the Parochial Church Council and has been elected to represent the parish on the Gateshead West Deanery Synod and Durham Diocesan Synod. He is about to start attending meetings of The Bishop's Council, having been elected this month. Such commitment reflects the regard he is held in locally and also helps more people to know about the Chaplaincy, embedding its work and vision within local church life.

Chaplaincy Structure and Support

The Chaplaincy offers support to the Chaplain and his work through its Board of Trustees, the Management Committee and the Pastoral Group. The Trustees were again able to award the Chaplain a small increase in salary, and they hope to continue this practice in subsequent years. They are acutely aware of the need to raise more money to sustain and extend the work of the Chaplaincy: the annual income of £25,000.00 allows for little more than half-time work, when salary and expenses are taken into account, and adding to the Chaplain's working hours and deployment of assistants have obvious cost implications.

The Trustees, Management Committee and Pastoral Group have met by zoom over the past year, and much of their time has been spent in addressing issues arising from the new working arrangements under covid and about finance. They continue to seek ways of locating suitable assistants to work alongside the Chaplain and alleviate some of the stress involved in outings and engagements with clients when the Chaplain is the lone worker. They and the Chaplain are very grateful to the volunteers for the help they have provided on a variety of fronts.

Challenges

The Chaplain, Trustees and Management Committee have identified the following challenges as priorities to be addressed in 2021-2022:

1. addiction issues
2. expanding the annual income to provide secure funding for the next few years.

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16 November 2021

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Taken from the Chaplaincy Diary - 1st April 2020 - 31st March 2021

Total number of Clients 26

In total, there were 361 interactions, with 8 of the men having 20 or over: an interaction signifies a trip or meal out, church visit, hospital or prison visit, 'phone call, letter, or attendance at a significant meeting. The following indicative list illustrates the breadth of contacts made in the course of the year:

Probation contacts 8
phone calls recorded with offenders/ex offenders 156
contacts with family of offenders 15
Food banks related 14
Visit locally 25
Eating out 7
Fishing trips 5
Letters sent to us 5
Cards and letters sent 30
Support in court 2
Pick-up 1
Prison visits 6
Hospital visits 3
Chaplaincy contact 3
Moving Furniture 2
Items purchase/obtained 3, washing machine, micro wave, bed
Items sent into prison 1 - music box/blaster
Looking after men's items 1

David Scott R.K. Bryant



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Shiley Community Chaplaincy(North-East)

No (if any)
1158939

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from 01/04/2020 To 31/03/2021

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					
	21,447	-	-	21,447	29,130
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	21,447	-	-	21,447	29,130
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	21,447	-	-	21,447	29,130
A3 Payments					
Salary	13,630	-	-	13,630	-
Tax/NI	2,853	-	-	2,853	-
Transport	941	-	-	941	-
Food	320	-	-	320	-
Outings	442	-	-	442	-
Emergency Funding	520	-	-	520	-
office/insurance	1,141	-	-	1,141	-
Pension	600	-	-	600	-
Expenses	203	-	-	203	-
Sub total	20,650	-	-	20,650	23,860
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	20,650	-	-	20,650	23,860
Net of receipts/(payments)	797	-	-	797	5,270
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	10,976	-	-	10,976	10,179

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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	10,976	-	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))		OK	OK	OK

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
<i>David Scott</i>	DAVID SCOTT	16.11.21
<i>R. K. Bryant</i>	RICHARD BRYANT	