

Charity Registration No: 1159093

The Leewood Gospel Hall Trust

**Report of the trustees and
unaudited financial statements
Year ended 5 April 2025**

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Reference and Administrative Details For the Year ended 5 April 2025

Charity name	The Leewood Gospel Hall Trust
Registered charity number	1159093
Trustees	Ken Hutchins (Resigned 10/04/2025) James Hutchins (Chair) David Glass (Resigned 10/04/2025) Michael Smith Neil Woodfield Adrian Smith (Appointed 10/04/2025) Gregg Ward (Appointed 10/04/2025)
Treasurer	Michael Smith
Principal address	Brethrens Meeting Room Snape Road Knodishall Saxmundham Suffolk IP17 1UT
Independent examiner	Simon Bell T B Tax Services Accountants Bridge House Pattenden Lane Marden Kent TN12 9QJ
Accountant	T B Tax Services Accountants Bridge House Pattenden Lane Marden Kent TN12 9QJ

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Report of the Trustees For the Year ended 5 April 2025

The Trustees present their report along with the financial statements of the Charity for the Year ended 5 April 2025. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 11 and comply with the Trust Deed and applicable law.

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

The charity is controlled by a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

The Charity is an unincorporated trust constituted by a Deed of Trust dated 21 October 1978, most recently amended by Deed of Variation dated 12 August 2014. The Trust was registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales on 6 November 2014 under Charity Registration Number: 1159093.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The names of the Trustees who served during the year and since the year end are set out on page 3. None of the Trustees, nor any person connected with them, received any remuneration or expenses from the Charity in the Year ended 5 April 2025 (2024: £nil).

The Trust operates three Gospel Halls and Trustees are chosen from among the regular congregation of the halls. New Trustees are nominated by the existing Trustees or by the congregation and must be appointed by unanimous resolution of the congregation. They are selected according to their skills and experience and are expected to use both in furthering the objects of the Charity. Checks are made to ensure the Trustees' eligibility to act and incoming Trustees are made aware of their responsibilities by the existing Trustees, who ensure that new Trustees read the Trust Deed and relevant Charity Commission guidance.

Wider network

The Trustees maintain informal links with similar charities with a view to pooling experience considered useful in pursuing the objects of the Charity. The Charity also maintains particular links with Alliston Gospel Hall Trust, with which it shares members of its congregation and during the year paid expenses on its behalf as shown in the donated services note 4.

Risk management

The Trustees have identified and reviewed the major risks to which the Charity is exposed and confirm that they have established systems or procedures to manage and mitigate those risks.

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Report of the Trustees (Cont'd) For the Year ended 5 April 2025

Objectives and activities

Objectives and aims

The charitable purposes of the Charity are the advancement of the Christian religion for the public benefit, including by the carrying on of the service of God in accordance with the Old and New Testaments of the Holy Bible as followed by those Christians forming part of the world-wide fellowship known as the Plymouth Brethren Christian Church (the "Brethren") and any other charitable purposes connected with Brethren. The core doctrine of the Brethren and proper practices in furtherance of certain aspects of doctrine are summarised in two schedules to the Trust Deed.

Public benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty under section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance to charities on public benefit.

Main activities and achievements

The Trust provides and maintains Gospel Halls where religious meetings are held by the local Brethren community. Details of the origins, teachings and way of life of the Brethren can be found on the website - www.plymouthbrethrenchristianchurch.org and in the schedules to the Trust Deed.

The Trust has continued to engage with the congregation and encouraging good works by them which benefit the wider community, as described in the attached report.

Plans for future periods

Despite the increased cost of energy, the trustees feel that these increased costs are not significantly impacting on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern.

Meetings

Meetings held at the Gospel halls include the Lord's Supper (Communion), Gospel preachings, Bible readings and Bible addresses. There is a structured weekly schedule of meetings and, depending on the particular meeting, between 30 and 450 people normally attend these occasions.

The meetings are attended by the regular congregation and most are open to other properly disposed visitors. The notice board outside the Hall welcomes visitors and displays the times of Gospel preachings, along with a telephone number for those seeking further information or help. Gospel tracts, which are distributed by street preachers, also display this information.

Bibles and an extensive range of other Christian reading material are on display at the hall and visitors are free to help themselves.

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Report of the Trustees (Cont'd) For the Year ended 5 April 2025

Spreading the Gospel message and the life of a Christian

The Gospel Halls are a base from which the regular congregation and others who attend the meetings are encouraged to spread the Christian Gospel, in word and deed.

Members of the congregation participate in a programme of street preaching and Gospel tracts are provided free of charge by the Charity to such preachers to be handed out to interested members of the public.

In carrying out this work, the congregation considers itself to be living out its faith in practice, as particularly exemplified in the following extract from the schedule to the Trust Deed on living a Christian life:

- We seek and are encouraged to live exemplary lives in all our relationships with others in the wider community (including former Brethren), in accordance with the teachings of Holy Scripture (1 Tim 2:2).
- We regularly go out from our homes to preach on the streets, to distribute Christian literature and engage with the wider community (including former Brethren) in order to present eternal salvation, available to all men by faith in Jesus Christ. (2 Tim 4:2).
- We seek as members of the public to lead Christian lives as husbands and wives, parents, children, employers, employees and neighbours. (Col 3:22-25, Col 4:1).
- The preservation and protection of the family unit is fundamental and children are prized as a blessing from God. (Psalm 127:3-5). The elderly are valued members of the community, for whom both their family and the wider community are expected to care.
- Holy Scripture commands us to be good neighbours to others, and deal with all other people (including former Brethren) openly, honestly and fairly and consistent with these principles, we should give our time, talents and money to assist those in need in the wider community, in so far as reasonable given our abilities and our available resources. (Matt 7:12, Matt 22:39, Eph 4:28).

Funding

Funding is sought through gifts from the congregation and Gift Aid is claimed on eligible donations. Funding is sometimes received from other charitable trusts with complementary objectives.

Financial review

Financial position

In the Year ended 5 April 2025 there was a large surplus of income over expenditure. This was due to incoming resources used to renovate the main hall and complete the building of a smaller hall, and these expenses have been capitalized.

Total voluntary income received this year was £202,028 compared to £67,662 in the previous year.

All funds held are unrestricted funds.

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**Report of the Trustees (Cont'd)
For the Year ended 5 April 2025**

Reserves policy

The Trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the charity's needs, based on its size and the level of its financial commitments. The Trust has no employees and its regular outgoings are minimal. Accordingly, the Trustees have decided to adopt a policy of maintaining no significant reserves. There is a build up of reserves to fund the building of a new Gospel Hall. The congregation is kept regularly informed as to particular needs for funds, and other relevant matters and the Trustees aim to ensure that the Charity will be able to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives even if there is a temporary shortfall in income or unexpected expenditure, by raising a funds appeal to the congregation.

Free reserves at the year-end were £60,552 (2024: £177,664).

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations and the provisions of the Trust Deed require the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the Charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations and the provisions of the Trust Deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities. All transactions are approved by at least two Trustees.

On behalf of the Board:

Signed by:

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Michael Smith
Trustee

Date: 1/6/2026

The Leewood Gospel Hall Trust

Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees For the Year ended 5 April 2025

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Leewood Gospel Hall Trust for the year ending 5 April 2025.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

BASIS OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT

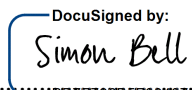
My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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 to believe 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; or
3. The accounts do 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.

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Statement of Financial Activities For the Year ended 5 April 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
Income and endowments from:					
<i>Donations and legacies:</i>					
Collections		0	0	0	0
Contributions from the congregation		108,637	0	108,637	42,457
Gift Aid donations		70,780	0	70,780	20,157
Income tax refunds		17,611	0	17,611	5,048
Donated services		0	0	0	0
Other donations		0	0	0	0
Grants from other Trusts		5,000	0	5,000	0
<i>Investments</i>					0
Bank interest		2,238	0	2,238	2,840
<i>Other - Solar power revenue</i>		2,094	0	2,094	5,135
Total		206,360	0	206,360	75,637
Expenditure on:					
<i>Charitable activities</i>					
Running meeting rooms	5	47,795	0	47,795	46,737
Charitable events	5	3,481	0	3,481	3,134
Cost of donated services	4	2,023	0	2,023	3,529
Total		53,299	0	53,299	53,400
Net income/(expenditure)		153,061	0	153,061	22,237
Gains/(losses) on sale of fixed assets		0	0	0	0
Net movement in funds		153,061	0	153,061	22,237
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		1,031,664	0	1,031,664	1,009,427
Total funds carried forward		1,184,725	0	1,184,725	1,031,664

The notes on pages 11 to 17 form part of these financial statements. All of the above activities are classed as continuing and there are no gains and losses other than those included above.

The Leewood Gospel Hall Trust**Balance Sheet****For the Year ended 5 April 2025**

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed assets			
Intangible assets		0	0
Tangible fixed assets	6	<u>1,124,173</u>	<u>854,000</u>
		1,124,173	854,000
Current assets			
Debtors:			
Loan		0	0
Prepayments and accrued income		2,036	2,135
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>86,540</u>	<u>177,072</u>
		88,576	179,207
Current liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year:			
Other creditors		(26,824)	(343)
Accruals and deferred income		(1,200)	(1,200)
Loans		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Net current assets		60,552	177,664
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>1,184,725</u>	<u>1,031,664</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year:			
Loans		0	0
Net assets	7	<u><u>1,184,725</u></u>	<u><u>1,031,664</u></u>
Funds			
Unrestricted income fund		1,184,725	1,031,664
Designated funds		0	0
Restricted funds		0	0
Total charity funds	8	<u><u>1,184,725</u></u>	<u><u>1,031,664</u></u>

The unaudited financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees of The Leewood Gospel Hall Trust on 1/6/2026 and signed on their behalf by

Signed by:

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 Michael Smith
 Trustee

The notes on pages 11 to 17 form part of these financial statements

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Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year ended 5 April 2025

1. Accounting policies

1.1 Basis of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014, and incorporating update bulletins 1 and 2, and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The functional currency of the charity is sterling (£).

The Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

1.2 Income

Donations are recognised in the year in which there is entitlement and probability of receipt and the amount can be measured with reasonable certainty. Income is only deferred when the charity has to fulfil conditions before becoming entitled to it or where the donor has specified that the income is to be expended in a future year. Gift aid is added to the value of the donation to which it relates.

Donated services are recognised as income and expenditure in the financial statements when organisations or individuals offer their services and support pro bono. The value of these donated services to The Leewood Gospel Hall Trust is considered to be equal to market value which would be paid were the service formally procured. This includes services paid for by other trusts.

Investment income is accounted for on a receivable basis.

1.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is included on an accruals basis. Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

Charitable activities comprise those costs directly attributable to the fulfilment of the charitable objects.

1.4 Governance and support costs

Support costs have been allocated between governance costs and other support costs. Governance costs comprise all costs involving the public accountability of the charity and costs related to statutory requirements. Governance and support costs are allocated to charitable activities on the basis of capacity used.

1.5 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets (costing more than £500) are stated at cost less depreciation. Freehold land and buildings are not depreciated. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset over its expected useful life as follows:

Fixtures and Fittings	25% reducing balance
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Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year ended 5 April 2025

1.6 Taxation

The Trust is a registered charity and is not liable to United Kingdom income or corporation tax on charitable activities, provided income falls within the charitable exemptions and is spent on charitable purposes.

1.7 Funds

The general unrestricted fund is free for the Trustees to use for any purposes in furtherance of the trust's charitable objects.

Restricted funds arise from donations to the trust, which are made for a specific purpose. Restricted funds can only be used for the purpose for which funds were given.

1.8 Preparation of consolidated financial statements

The Charity does not have a trading subsidiary and there is no requirement to prepare consolidated accounts

1.9 Going concern

The Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

1.10 Significant estimates and judgements

The trustees do not consider that there are any sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next reporting period.

2. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

No Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits from an employment with the charity and no Trustees were reimbursed for expenses (2024: None).

3. Wages and salaries

There are no employees (2024: none).

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Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year ended 5 April 2025

4. Donated services

	2025	2024
	£	£
Outgoing - Alliston Trust	2,023	3,529
	<u>2,023</u>	<u>3,529</u>

5. Resources expended

<i>Current Year</i>	Meeting rooms	Other charitable activities	2025
	£	£	£
Direct costs:			
Insurance	2,189	0	2,189
Repairs & Maintenance	21,590	0	21,590
Event expenses	760	0	760
Utilities	17,448	0	17,448
Loan interest	0	0	0
Donations	0	3,481	3,481
Legal and Professional Fees	3,635	0	3,635
Depreciation	364	0	364
Governance costs	<u>1,809</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,809</u>
	<u>47,795</u>	<u>3,481</u>	<u>51,276</u>

<i>Prior Year</i>	Meeting rooms	Other charitable activities	2024
	£	£	£
Direct costs:			
Insurance	2,484	0	2,484
Repairs & Maintenance	23,828	0	23,828
Event expenses	386	0	386
Utilities	13,033	0	13,033
Loan interest	0	0	0
Donations	0	3,134	3,134
Legal and Professional Fees	4,770	0	4,770
Depreciation	486	0	486
Governance costs	<u>1,750</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,750</u>
	<u>46,737</u>	<u>3,134</u>	<u>49,871</u>

Governance costs include £1,440(2024: £1,320) in respect of accountancy and independent examiner's fees.

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Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year ended 5 April 2025

6. Fixed assets

	City Hall Snape Road	Carlton Road	Gromford Lane	Equipment	Total
Cost					
B/f at 06/04/2024	433,878	142,371	276,295	19,246	871,790
Additions	67,838	202,699	0	0	270,537
Disposals	0	0	0	0	0
At 5 April 2025	<u>501,716</u>	<u>345,070</u>	<u>276,295</u>	<u>19,246</u>	<u>1,142,327</u>
Depreciation					
B/f at 06/04/2024	0			17,790	17,790
Charge for the year	0			364	364
Impairment	0	0	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0	0	0
At 5 April 2025	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>18,154</u>	<u>18,154</u>
Net book value					
At 5 April 2025	<u>501,716</u>	<u>345,070</u>	<u>276,295</u>	<u>1,092</u>	<u>1,124,173</u>
At 5 April 2024	<u>433,878</u>	<u>142,371</u>	<u>276,295</u>	<u>1,456</u>	<u>854,000</u>
Freehold Property:	Title No	Title No	Title No		
	SK147008	SK292371	SK142224		
	SK259024		SK308749		

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Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year ended 5 April 2025

7. Analysis of net assets between funds

7.1 Current year

	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total £
Fixed assets	1,124,173	0	0	1,124,173
Current assets	88,576	0	0	88,576
Current liabilities	(28,024)	0	0	(28,024)
Long term liabilities	0	0	0	0
Total funds	1,184,725	0	0	1,184,725

7.2 Prior year

	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total £
Fixed assets	854,000	0	0	854,000
Current assets	179,207	0	0	179,207
Current liabilities	(1,543)	0	0	(1,543)
Long term liabilities	0	0	0	0
Total funds	1,031,664	0	0	1,031,664

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Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year ended 5 April 2025

8. Movement in funds

8.1 Current year

	Balance at 6 April 2024	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Realised/ unrealised gains and losses	Balance at 5 April 2025
	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted funds	0	0	0	0	0
Unrestricted funds	1,031,664	206,360	(53,299)	0	1,184,725
Total funds	1,031,664	206,360	(53,299)	0	1,184,725

8.2 Prior year

	Balance at 6 April 2023	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Realised/ unrealised gains and losses	Balance at 5 April 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted funds	0	0	0	0	0
Unrestricted funds	1,009,427	75,637	(53,400)	0	1,031,664
Total funds	1,009,427	75,637	(53,400)	0	1,031,664

9. Transactions with related parties

During the year the Trust purchased goods from Beacon Lights to the value of £9,025 (2024: £217), a business part owned by Michael Smith and Adrian Smith, Trustees. This was at arms length. It also paid for cleaning services from Damaris Smith, wife of Adrian Smith, Trustee. There were donations in the year of £19,875 (2024: £4,645) from related parties and businesses controlled by them.

10. Volunteers

The Leewood Gospel Hall Trust relies entirely on volunteers to carry out the management, administration and general maintenance work. The Trust has no paid staff or paid Trustees.

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Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year ended 5 April 2025

11. Comparative Statement of Financial Activities

		Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Total funds 2024
	Notes	£	£	£
Income and endowments from:				
<i>Donations and legacies:</i>				
Collections		0	0	0
Contributions from the congregation		42,457	0	42,457
Gift Aid donations		20,157	0	20,157
Income tax refunds		5,048	0	5,048
Donated services		0	0	0
Other donations		0	0	0
Grants from other Trusts		0	0	0
<i>Investments</i>				
Bank interest		2,840	0	2,840
<i>Other - Solar power revenue</i>		5,135	0	5,135
Total		75,637	0	75,637
Expenditure on:				
<i>Charitable activities</i>				
Running meeting rooms	5	46,737	0	46,737
Charitable events	5	3,134	0	3,134
Cost of donated services	4	3,529	0	3,529
Total		53,400	0	53,400
Net income/(expenditure)		22,237	0	22,237
Gains/(losses) on sale of fixed assets		0	0	0
Net movement in funds		22,237	0	22,237
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		1,009,427	0	1,009,427
Total funds carried forward		1,031,664	0	1,031,664

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PUBLIC BENEFIT REPORT

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One of the Trust's principal activities that furthers its objectives is providing a facility for the coordination of "outreach" work into the wider community.

Members of the congregation, acting under the directions of the trustees and with their full active encouragement, have continued with "outreach" work which they have carried out for many years.

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2024-25 SUMMARY

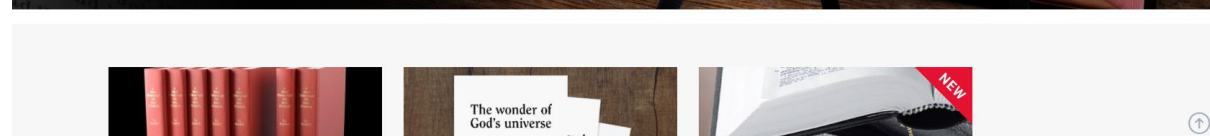
The trustees of the Leewood Gospel Hall Trust confirm that they have complied with their duty under section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance to charities on public benefit.

Throughout 2024 and 2025, we have continued with most of our meetings held in our halls, with the added facility for some members to join via a video conferencing link.

The trustees and the regular congregation members continue their public benefit works and as we support people and communities around our places of worship.

Every week day, members of the congregation spread the message of the Goodness of God out through preaching on the street. This is done mainly on the high street in Aldeburgh, where members of the congregations also hand out tracts and gospel cards to passers-by.

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WORKING WITH OTHER CHARITIES - FIND

FIND supports families in need or over 30 years, Families in Need (FIND) Ipswich has offered a lifeline to people in Ipswich and the surrounding areas who are experiencing poverty and despair.



They provide free food parcels and personal care items to help people get through a crisis, as well as furniture, bedding and other household items where the person or family has none.

An army of over 80 volunteers regularly give their time freely to check and sort the donated food, collect items from local stores, make up the food parcels and deliver them. The demand for food parcels has risen year on year and FIND now distributes an average of 8,000 every year.

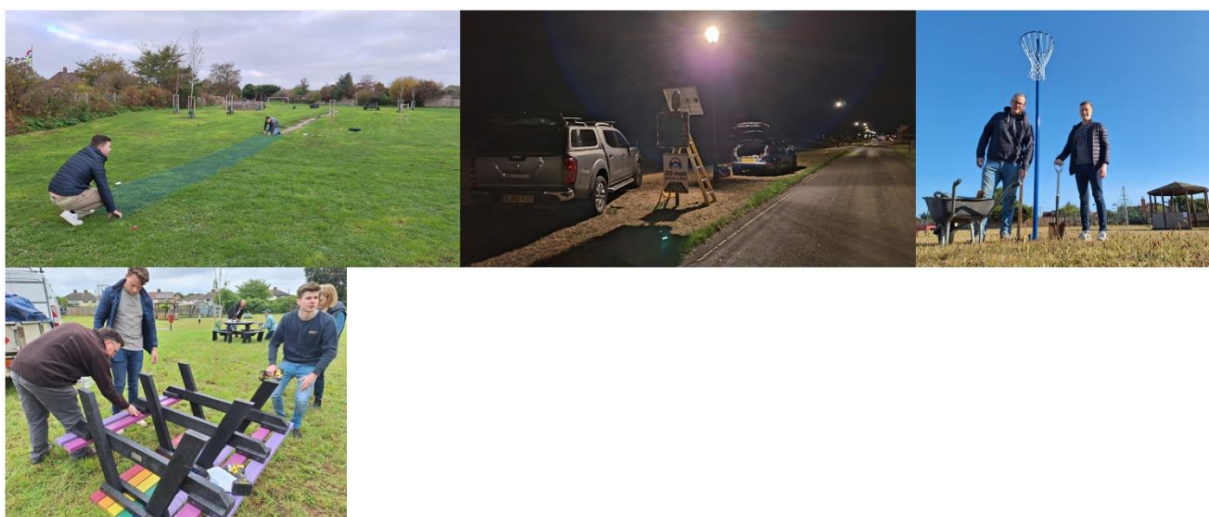
In Support of this Charity, every month we purchase short dated goods from a local grocery store and donate the Food and Drink to find. Below are some pictures of the various foods donated.



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WORKING WITH OTHER CHARITIES – RRT

We now have over 40 Rapid Relief Team volunteers in Aldeburgh and the surrounding area, all of whom have gone through specific training and checks before being able to join the team. The past year has been another busy year of events, donations and other ad hoc support for the local communities we live in, demonstrating our Christian values of care and compassion for the benefit of all.



It was a real pleasure to work with the Mayor and other councillors during last year on some of the new equipment in the Kemps Field park and then to support with a free burger meal. Other areas that we have worked together on installing the Vehicle-Activated Signs in Saxmundham, Leiston and Thorpeness roads, and collaborating with the council on the emergency plan so that we are well-prepared in the event of flooding and emergency centre management etc.

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Jul 24 – Aldeburgh Park Re-Opening Event

Following collaboration with the Aldeburgh council and Mayor, local volunteers provided a free BBQ meal at a local park where RRT had also assisted with installing some new play equipment and planters. Many of the local children were in attendance, with their parents, and over 80 meals were served, providing a great way for the local community to come together and enjoy the new space.



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IP17 Good Neighbour - Open Day & Burger Meal - Nov 24

Volunteers provided a free BBQ meal at the IP17 Good Neighbour Scheme facilities in Saxmundham, acting as a draw card to bring local people to see the services and support of this local charity who support with homelessness, poverty relief and other social support.



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Food box donations

Food boxes with essential supplies for families in need continue to be distributed across the local area, including some direct deliveries to local residents' homes, and also in partnership with one of the local schools, Aldeburgh Primary School, who have now taken two deliveries of food boxes for children most in need in their school.



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Snape Path Clearing Event – Feb 25

Following weeks of organisation, volunteers supported Snape residents to clear a frequently used village path. Several RRT volunteers supported with the path clearing, while the rest of the team cooked bacon rolls and provided refreshments for all to enjoy. This was an excellent opportunity for RRT to support with resolving a local issue, and was highly praised by the local community. The following testimonial is from Paul, the Chairman of the Snape Council: “Special thanks to the Rapid Relief Team for all of their support today. It’s been great to work with you, both doing digging and pushing wheelbarrows and all that heavy duty work, but also to enable us to meet up together afterwards and have a cup of tea and a sandwich! We’re extremely grateful, thanks very much for all of your support!”

