

Stafford Gospel Hall Trust

Report and Financial Statements

Year ended 5 April 2025

Charity number: 1159523

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Legal and administrative information

Trustees

Mr Keith Brewer	Chair
Mr Bruce Bricknell	Appointed 18 September 2024
Mr Gerrard Gates	Resigned 18 September 2024
Mr Grant Godwin	
Mr Robin McMullan	Resigned 18 September 2024
Mr Rolf McMullan	Appointed 18 September 2024
Mr Adrian Pittock	

Title to all freehold properties was held jointly at the report approval date by Adrian Pittock, Grant Godwin, Keith Brewer, Robin McMullan, and Gerrard Gates.

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Stafford Gospel Hall Trust

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 pages 9 and 10, and comply with the Trust Deed and applicable law.

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing document

Stafford Gospel Hall Trust is an unincorporated trust constituted by a Deed of Trust dated 27 March 1983, most recently amended 8 August 2014, and was registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales on 8 December 2014.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The Trustees who have served during the year and since the year end are set out on page 1. No Trustees received remuneration or expenses from the Charity in the year ended 5 April 2025 (2024: none).

The Trust operates four 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. New Trustees 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 Chase Gospel Hall Trust (CGHT), with which it shares members of its congregation. Regular donations are made by Stafford Gospel Hall Trust to cover the maintenance and running expenses of CGHT.

Risk management

The Trustees have examined the major strategic, business and operational risks which the Charity faces and confirm that systems have been established to mitigate those risks.

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. The detail of activities is included under the section 'Main activities and achievements'.

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.

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Objectives and activities (continued)

Main activities and achievements

The Trust provides and maintains four Gospel halls in Stafford, 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's main achievements this year include hosting a Bible Conference in April 2024 using the Trust's recently constructed City Hall with a total of circa 700 attending over the three days the conference was held. Additionally, further outreach work continued during the financial year as detailed below:

- The Trust donated 5 'red tent events' serving hot food to the emergency services / charities as planned events and 90 food boxes to the Staffordshire police force and councils which were subsequently given to persons in need.
- Members of the congregation of Stafford Gospel Hall Trust joined with RRT to serve 100 meals at the Cauldwell All Staff Day.
- Working with Brendan McKeown of Stafford Borough, a group of willing volunteers joined with Hixon residents to tidy up Millenium Green in view of the VE Day 80th Anniversary Fete. Mowing, strimming, edging footpaths, painting benches and fencing around the Boules Court were all tasks on the list that was completed by Trust volunteers.
- Members of the congregation attending Stafford Gospel Hall Trust joined with RRT volunteers to serve 150 meals at the Cauldwell Family Day.
- Members of the congregation attending Stafford Gospel Hall Trust joined with RRT volunteers to serve 60 meals at the Cauldwell Safe & Sound Day.
- Members of the congregation of Stafford Gospel Hall Trust joined with RRT to serve meals at the Multi Agency Event at Swynnerton.

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 350 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 halls and visitors are free to help themselves.

Spreading the Gospel message

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.

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Objectives and activities (continued)

The life of a Christian

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:

- 1 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).
- 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 to all men by faith in Jesus Christ. (2 Tim. 4:2).
- 3 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).
- 4 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.
- 5 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 is reasonable given our abilities and available resources. (Matt. 7:12, Matt. 22:39, Eph. 4:28).

Financial review

In the year ended 5 April 2025 the Trust had net expenditure of £3,113 (year ended 5 April 2024: net income of £375,287 before impairment losses of £1,039,136). Funds at the 5 April 2025 year end were £2,325,921 compared with £2,329,034 at 5 April 2024. All funds were unrestricted. Total voluntary income received this year was £177,444 compared with £450,395 in the previous year.

All funds held were unrestricted funds.

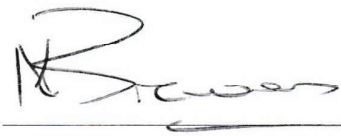
Reserves policy

The Trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain based on the Charity's size and the level of its financial commitments. The Trustees aim for the Charity to hold approximately £25,000 to meet the day to day expenses, plus an allowance for any urgent repairs or capital expenses. Free reserves at the year end were £17,747 (2024: £8,510) which, although improved, remain below this target figure. 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.

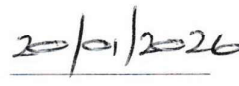
Fundraising

The Charity does not carry out significant public fundraising activities.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



Mr Keith Brewer - Chair of the Trustees



Date

**Independent examiner's report
To the Trustees of Stafford Gospel Hall Trust**

I report to the Charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 5 April 2025 which are set out on pages 6 to 15.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Charity's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act'). I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 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 to believe that in any material respect:

- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act;
- (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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21 January 2026

Stafford Gospel Hall Trust
Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 5 April 2025

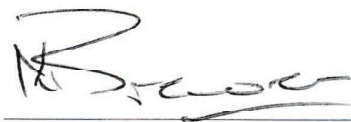
		Year ended 5 April 2025			Year ended
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	5 April 2024
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	3	136,112	41,332	177,444	450,395
Investments		9	-	9	2,892
Other					
Utility charges provision release	12	10,120	-	10,120	-
Sundry		133	-	133	32
		<u>146,374</u>	<u>41,332</u>	<u>187,706</u>	<u>453,319</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	4	190,819	-	190,819	78,032
		<u>190,819</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>190,819</u>	<u>78,032</u>
Net income / (expenditure)		(44,445)	41,332	(3,113)	375,287
Transfers between funds		41,332	(41,332)	-	-
Impairment losses	6	-	-	-	(1,039,136)
Net movement in funds		(3,113)	-	(3,113)	(663,849)
Total funds brought forward	14	2,329,034	-	2,329,034	2,992,883
Total funds carried forward		<u>2,325,921</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,325,921</u>	<u>2,329,034</u>

There were no recognised gains and losses for the Charity for the current or prior years other than those included in the Statement of Financial Activities. All income and expenditure arises from continuing activities. All funds are unrestricted.

Stafford Gospel Hall Trust
Balance Sheet as at 5 April 2025

	Notes	5 April 2025 £	5 April 2024 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	8	2,308,174	2,320,522
Investment	9	2	2
		<u>2,308,176</u>	<u>2,320,524</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	10	3,223	5,704
Cash at bank and in hand		102,417	82,715
		<u>105,640</u>	<u>88,419</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	(87,895)	(69,789)
Net current assets		<u>17,745</u>	<u>18,630</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		2,325,921	2,339,154
Provision	12	-	(10,120)
Net assets		<u>2,325,921</u>	<u>2,329,034</u>
Funds			
Restricted funds	14	-	-
Unrestricted funds	14	2,325,921	2,329,034
		<u>2,325,921</u>	<u>2,329,034</u>

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



Mr Keith Brewer - Chair of the Trustees

20/01/2026.

Date

Stafford Gospel Hall Trust
Cash flow statement for the year ended 5 April 2025

	Year ended 5 April 2025 £	Year ended 5 April 2024 £	
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net (expenditure) / income	(3,113)	375,287	
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation charge for the year	66,169	23,423	
Release of accrued impairment reversal	-	(10,001)	
Loss on transfer of fixed assets	1,975	-	
Decrease in debtors	2,481	27,915	
Increase in creditors	18,106	61,288	
(Decrease) / increase in provisions	(10,120)	1,685	
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Net cash provided by operating activities	75,498	479,597	
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Cash flows from investing activities			
Proceeds from the sale of fixed assets	-	-	
Purchase of fixed assets	(55,796)	(1,427,365)	
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Net cash used in investing activities	(55,796)	(1,427,365)	
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Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year	19,702	(947,768)	
Cash and cash equivalents brought forward	82,715	1,030,483	
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Cash and cash equivalents carried forward	102,417	82,715	
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Analysis of cash and cash equivalents			
Cash at bank	102,417	82,715	
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Analysis of changes in net debt			
	At start of year £	Cash flows £	At end of year £
Cash	82,715	19,702	102,417

Stafford Gospel Hall Trust
Notes forming part of the financial statements
for the year ended 5 April 2025

1 Accounting policies

{a} General information and basis of preparation

Stafford Gospel Hall Trust is an unincorporated trust constituted by a Deed of Trust dated 27 March 1983, most recently amended 8 August 2014, and was registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales on 8 December 2014. The address of the registered office is given in the Charity information on page 1 of these financial statements. The principle activity of the Charity is to provide and maintain Gospel Halls in Stafford for the religious activities of Christians often referred to as 'Brethren'.

The Charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland issued in October 2019, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011, and UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention. The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the Charity and rounded to the nearest £.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

{b} Funds Structure

Unrestricted income funds comprise those funds which the Trustees are free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objects. Unrestricted funds may include designated funds where the Trustees, at their discretion, have created a fund for a specific purpose. Restricted funds are income funds that must be spent on restricted purposes and details of the funds held and restrictions provided are shown in the notes to the accounts.

{c} Income recognition

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Collections are recognised upon receipt. Donations are recognised when the Trust has been notified in writing of both the amount and settlement date. In the event that a donation is subject to conditions that require a level of performance before the Charity is entitled to the funds, the income is deferred and not recognised until either those conditions are fully met, or the fulfilment of those conditions is wholly within the control of the Charity and it is probable that those conditions will be fulfilled in the reporting period.

Grants are recognised at fair value when the Charity has entitlement after any performance conditions have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably. If entitlement is not met then these amounts are deferred.

No amount is included in the financial statements for volunteer time in line with the SORP (FRS 102).

{d} Expenditure recognition

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the Charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. All expenses including support costs and governance costs are allocated or apportioned to the applicable expenditure headings. For more information on this attribution refer to note {f} below.

{e} Irrecoverable VAT

Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the expenditure heading for which it was incurred.

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1 Accounting policies (continued)

{f} Allocation of support and governance costs

All support costs have been attributed to charitable activities. Governance costs comprise all costs involving the public accountability of the Charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

{g} Fixed asset investments

Investments comprising shares in a trading subsidiary are carried at cost.

{h} Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are capitalised above a threshold of £100 per asset and are stated at cost (or deemed cost) less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets, at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset on a systematic basis over its expected useful life as follows:

Freehold land	No depreciation
Freehold buildings	2% straight line
Fixtures & fittings	10% reducing balance
Computer equipment	10% reducing balance

Assets not measured at fair value are reviewed for any indication that the asset may be impaired at each balance sheet date. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated and compared to the carrying amount. Where the carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount, an impairment loss is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities unless the asset is carried at a revalued amount where the impairment loss is a revaluation decrease.

{i} Debtors

Debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid, and accrued income is included at the best estimate of the amounts receivable at the balance sheet date.

{j} Creditors

Creditors are recognised where the Charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will likely result in the transfer of funds to a third party, and the amount due to settle the obligation can be estimated reliably.

{k} Provisions

Provisions are recognised where the Charity deems there to be a likely obligation to settle an amount that can be estimated reliably. Provisions are assessed as of each reporting date.

2 Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the Trustees believe that no material uncertainties exist. The Trustees have considered the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for 12 months from authorising these financial statements. The budgeted income and expenditure are sufficient, given the level of reserves, for the Charity to be able to continue as a going concern.

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3 Income and endowments from donations and legacies

	Year ended 5 April 2025			Year ended 5 April 2024
	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total £	£
Collections	96,160	-	96,160	50,550
Gift aid donations	3,637	3,100	6,737	42,986
Non gift aid donations	35,265	36,915	72,180	270,413
Gift aid tax recoverable	952	775	1,727	10,747
Payroll giving	98	542	640	699
Grant income	-	-	-	75,000
	<u>136,112</u>	<u>41,332</u>	<u>177,444</u>	<u>450,395</u>

4 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Year ended 5 April 2025			Year ended 5 April 2024
	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total £	£
Donations made	5,165	-	5,165	(5,423)
Public outreach expenses	101	-	101	304
Meeting rooms running costs				
Repairs and maintenance	12,714	-	12,714	6,028
Light and heat	35,935	-	35,935	30,415
Telephone	3,680	-	3,680	2,443
Health & safety	2,198	-	2,198	8,239
Insurance	3,366	-	3,366	2,877
	<u>57,893</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>57,893</u>	<u>50,002</u>
Bible Conference hosting	53,015	-	53,015	-
Support costs (note 5)	74,645	-	74,645	33,149
	<u>190,819</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>190,819</u>	<u>78,032</u>

Donations made comprise expenses incurred by Chase Gospel Hall Trust which Stafford Gospel Hall Trust have settled on their behalf. The balance for the year ended 5 April 2024 is the net of expenses of £3,166 less an electricity refund of £7,830.

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5 Allocation of support costs

All support costs associated with charitable activities are allocated to the principal charitable activity of the Charity being the provision and maintenance of Gospel Halls for the local Brethren community.

Support cost	Year ended	Year ended
	5 April 2025	5 April 2024
	£	£
Legal fees	4,772	4,008
Depreciation	66,169	23,423
Governance costs	3,704	5,718
	<u>74,645</u>	<u>33,149</u>

Governance costs include £2,275 in respect of the Independent Examination fee (2024: £2,950 in respect of the Audit fee). No other fees were payable to the Independent Examiner or Auditor for either year.

6 Impairment losses

In January 2025 the Trustees undertook professional (RICS) valuations of all their freehold properties. As a result of these valuations, an impairment loss of £1,048,708 was recognised in respect of the Hixon meeting hall in the year ended 5 April 2024. In addition, there was a partial impairment reversal of £19,573 recognised in the year ended 5 April 2024 in respect of an historic impairment loss for the Acton Gate meeting hall.

7 Trustee remuneration and staff costs

No Trustees received remuneration or reimbursement of expenses from the Charity in the year ended 5 April 2025 (2024: none). The Charity employs no staff (2024: none).

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8 Tangible fixed assets	Freehold land and buildings £	Fixtures & fittings £	Computer equipment £	Total £
Cost				
At 6 April 2024	3,750,909	34,034	2,886	3,787,829
Additions	55,796	-	-	55,796
Transfer	(1,975)	-	-	(1,975)
At 5 April 2025	<u>3,804,730</u>	<u>34,034</u>	<u>2,886</u>	<u>3,841,650</u>
Depreciation				
At 6 April 2024	154,176	18,348	284	172,808
Annual charge	64,338	1,570	261	66,169
Disposals	-	-	-	-
At 5 April 2025	<u>218,514</u>	<u>19,918</u>	<u>545</u>	<u>238,977</u>
Impairment				
At 5 April 2025 & 5 April 2024	<u>1,294,499</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,294,499</u>
Net book value				
At 5 April 2025	<u>2,291,717</u>	<u>14,116</u>	<u>2,341</u>	<u>2,308,174</u>
At 5 April 2024	<u>2,302,234</u>	<u>15,686</u>	<u>2,602</u>	<u>2,320,522</u>

Freehold land and buildings at 5 April 2025 includes £587,867 (2024: £587,867) in respect of land not depreciated. In January 2025 the Trustees undertook professional (RICS) valuations of all their freehold land and buildings. As a result of these valuations, the carrying values of the Acton Gate and Hixon meeting halls were impaired by £245,791 and £1,048,708 respectively during the year ended 5 April 2024.

9 Fixed asset investment

The fixed asset investment comprises the entire share capital of Greenmere Limited, a company registered in England and Wales. Greenmere Limited finances and manages building projects for the Charity. Results for Greenmere Limited, which have not been consolidated with those of Stafford Gospel Hall Trust, are as follows:

	Year ended 5 April 2025 £	Year ended 15 April 2024 £
Income from Stafford Gospel Hall Trust	53,821	1,425,026
Other income	106,850	1,222
Cost of sales	(139,176)	(1,381,758)
Administrative costs	(19,537)	(52,886)
Tax on profit	(2,170)	-
	<u>(212)</u>	<u>(8,396)</u>
	5 April 2025 £	15 April 2024 £
Assets	195,462	375,471
Liabilities	(170,536)	(350,333)
Capital and reserves	<u>(24,926)</u>	<u>(25,138)</u>
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Stafford Gospel Hall Trust
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for the year ended 5 April 2025

10 Debtors	5 April 2025	5 April 2024
	£	£
Prepayments and accrued income	3,223	5,704
No debtors are due after more than one year.		

11 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	5 April 2025	5 April 2024
	£	£
Trade creditors	4,200	-
Amounts owed to group undertakings	80,646	59,941
Accruals and deferred income	3,049	9,848
	87,895	69,789

- 12 Provision**
The provision relates to utility charges for the property at Acton Gate. The electricity meter for the property was not registered on the national database of National Grid, nor did the property have a contract with a water provider. During the year ending 5 April 2026, new meters were installed but no charges for historic usage have been received. As a consequence of these events, the provision has been released in the year ended 5 April 2025.

	Year ended 5 April 2025
	£
Carrying amount at 6 April 2024	10,120
Unused amounts reversed during the period	(10,120)
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- 13 Capital Commitment**
On 3 March 2020, Greenmere Ltd was contracted by Stafford Gospel Hall Trust to design and build a new meeting hall in Hixon. Expected costs to completion at 5 April 2025 are £55,000 (2024: £83,000).

Stafford Gospel Hall Trust
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14 Funds

	Balance at 6 April 2024	Income	Expenditure	Transfer	Balance at 6 April 2025
General fund	2,329,034	146,374	(190,819)	41,332	2,325,921
Restricted fund	-	41,332	-	(41,332)	-
	<u>2,329,034</u>	<u>187,706</u>	<u>(190,819)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,325,921</u>

The restricted fund arose as a result of a funds appeal for the purpose of constructing a new meeting hall at New Road, Hixon. As all the funds were used for the intended purpose during the year ended 5 April 2025, the balance of the restricted fund was transferred to the unrestricted general fund.

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
Fixed assets	2,308,176	-	2,308,176
Current assets	105,640	-	105,640
Current liabilities	(87,895)	-	(87,895)
Fund balance	<u>2,325,921</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,325,921</u>

15 Related party transactions

During the financial year, aggregated donations of £55,635 (2024: £103,226) were received from the Trustees and their related parties.

Stafford Gospel Hall Trust (SGHT) also provided support in the form of donated services to Chase Gospel Hall Trust (CGHT). Rolf McMullan (Trustee of SGHT) is the brother of Mark McMullan (Trustee of CGHT). The amount of donated services was £5,165 (2024: -£5,423).

There were no other related party transactions during either the year ended 5th April 2025, or the year ended 5th April 2024 that require disclosure.

16 Controlling party and ultimate controlling party

The controlling party and ultimate controlling party of the Charity is the Board of Trustees of Stafford Gospel Hall Trust.

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Additional information which does not form part of the financial statements
for the year ended 5 April 2025

1 Analysis of freehold land and buildings

	Eccleshall Road £	Acton Gate £	Baswich Lane £	Hixon £	Total £
Cost					
At 6 April 2024	307,707	574,368	317,606	2,551,228	3,750,909
Additions	-	-	-	55,796	55,796
Transfer	(1,975)	-	-	-	(1,975)
At 5 April 2025	<u>305,732</u>	<u>574,368</u>	<u>317,606</u>	<u>2,607,024</u>	<u>3,804,730</u>
Depreciation					
At 6 April 2024	40,989	78,577	32,090	2,520	154,176
Annual charge	4,115	9,573	5,620	45,030	64,338
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
At 5 April 2025	<u>45,104</u>	<u>88,150</u>	<u>37,710</u>	<u>47,550</u>	<u>218,514</u>
Impairment					
At 5 April 2025 & 5 April 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>245,791</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,048,708</u>	<u>1,294,499</u>
Net book value					
At 5 April 2025	<u>260,628</u>	<u>240,427</u>	<u>279,896</u>	<u>1,510,766</u>	<u>2,291,717</u>
At 5 April 2024	<u>266,718</u>	<u>250,000</u>	<u>285,516</u>	<u>1,500,000</u>	<u>2,302,234</u>
Land registry references:					
Eccleshall Road	SF541897				
Acton Gate	SF337138				
Baswich Lane	SF615852				
Hixon	SF498322				

2 Fund movements for the prior year

	Balance at 6 April 2023	Income	Expenditure	Impairment	Transfer	Balance at 6 April 2024
General fund	2,992,883	82,639	(78,032)	(1,039,136)	370,680	2,329,034
Restricted fund	-	370,680	-	-	(370,680)	-
	<u>2,992,883</u>	<u>453,319</u>	<u>(78,032)</u>	<u>(1,039,136)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,329,034</u>

The restricted fund arose as a result of a funds appeal for the purpose of constructing a new meeting hall at New Road, Hixon. As all the funds were used for the intended purpose during the year ended 5 April 2024, the balance of the restricted fund was transferred to the unrestricted general fund.

Stafford Gospel Hall Trust - Public Benefit Report 2024/2025

One of the Trust's principal activities that furthers its objects 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.

2024/25 Summary

The trustees of the Stafford 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.

Street Preachings

There have been regular open air preachings in Stafford since at least the mid 20th Century, sharing the message of Gods heart of love to mankind. Any enquiries received by the trustees or made to central office have been followed up, and where applicable people have been directed to the following website where literature can be purchased or downloaded for reading in multiple languages.

<https://christiandocctrineandgospelpublishing.org/>



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2024/25 statistics

- Total tracts given out 618no.
- Total bibles given out 5no.
- Total Street Preaching sessions 96no.
- Total Street Preachings given 211no.

In addition to the above and in support of the community in which we operate Stafford Gospel Hall Trust have donated the below:-

- 5 'red tent events' serving hot food to the emergency service / charities as planned events.
- 90no. food boxes to the Staffordshire police force and councils which were subsequently given to persons in need

Other Stafford Gospel Hall Trust Public Benefit

Cauldwell All Staff Day - September 2024

Members of the congregation of Stafford Gospel Hall Trust joined with RRT to serve 100no. meals at the Cauldwell All Staff Day.



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Millenium Green, Hixon - May 2025

Working with Brendan McKeown of Stafford Borough a group of willing volunteers worked joined with Hixon residents to tidy up Millenium Green in view of the VE Day 80th Anniversary Fete.

Mowing, strimming, edging footpaths, painting benches and fencing around the Boules Court were all tasks on the list that was completed by SGHT volunteers.





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Staffordshire Response Day - July 2024



Date: 28th August 2024

Staffordshire Police HQ
Executive Office, Block 8
Weston Road
Stafford
ST18 0YY

Ben Gates,
Rapid Relief Team
Sent by email: stafford.uk@rrtglobal.org

Reference: Thank you

Dear Ben,

I wanted to personally write and thank you for your kind offer of support to Staffordshire Police on the 7th August 2024, that was forwarded to me by Commissioner Ben Adams.

It is with regret that due to extraordinary operational demand we didn't contact you - please accept my sincere apologies for this oversight and my gratitude for your kind offer to our staff.

I am also very grateful for your kind words regarding our officers' efforts and bravery during the recent disorder and I will ensure that this is passed on accordingly.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'JR'.

DCC Jonathan Roy
Deputy Chief Constable Jonathan Roy, Staffordshire Police

Cauldwell Family Day - August 2024

Members of the congregation attending Stafford Gospel Hall Trust joined with RRT volunteers to serve 150no meals at the Cauldwell Family Day.

Cauldwell Safe & Sound Day - August 2024

Members of the congregation attending Stafford Gospel Hall Trust joined with RRT volunteers to serve 60no meals at the Cauldwell Safe & Sound Day.

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Multi Agency Event - February 2025

Members of the congregation of Stafford Gospel Hall Trust joined with RRT to serve meals at the Multi Agency Event at Swynnerton. Photos were not permitted during the work carried out.

Ben, Brendan

We'd like to send you a big thank you for your help and time in supporting our training week at Swynnerton. Please also pass on our thanks to the additional team that gave their time to come to site and feed our people.

The support from RRT was invaluable to helping us achieve our training aims. The food was delicious and everyone lapped it up.

As I previously mentioned to Brendan we need to arrange payment, Steve (cc'd) holds our works credit card so can we get a POC within RRT to allow card payment over a telephone?

We'd like to use your support on future training evolutions should you be willing to do so. Going forward we'll be in touch to discuss what this may look like if this is an ongoing opportunity?

Kind Regards

Lloyd

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