

Brooklands Church Annual General Meeting

Sunday 16 February 2025, 12:00pm

Formal Notice of AGM

8 February 2025

Dear members and friends of Brooklands Church

Under clause 115.7 of the Church of the Nazarene Manual, notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the Brooklands Church of the Nazarene will take place at Brooklands Church on Sunday 16 February 2025, commencing at 12:00 pm.

This information pack contains the following items:

- Agenda
- Minutes of AGM held on 18 February 2024
- Pastor's Report
- Report from the Church Secretary
- Report from the Assistant Pastor - Community
- Report from the Kids' Church Coordinator
- Report from the Nominating Committee
- Trustees Report
- Report from the Church Treasurer

Everyone is welcome to attend the AGM, but only official church members are allowed to cast a vote on any decisions that are to be made. If church membership is something you are interested in learning more about, please discuss this with Pastor Mick.

There will be an opportunity for you to ask questions at the AGM, about any aspect of church. If you would like to ask a question anonymously, please email your question to info@brooklandschurch.uk, and we will present your question to the meeting without giving your name, and we will prepare a response.

We hope you will enjoy reading these reports, which summarise the activities of the church over this last year. Thank you to everyone that has helped in producing this information pack.

Mark Bolton
Church Secretary

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AGENDA

1. Welcome and Prayer
2. Apologies and attendance
3. Minutes of AGM held on 18 February 2024
4. Matters arising from Minutes
5. Election of tellers
6. Election of Trustees
7. Presentation of Annual Reports
8. Adoption of Annual Reports
9. Presentation of Accounts
10. Adoption of Accounts
11. Election of delegates to the District Assembly
12. Any Other Business
13. Closing Remarks

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Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Manchester Brooklands Church of the Nazarene CIO, held on Sunday 18 February 2024 at the church premises at Wendover Road, Manchester, M23 9NF

1. Welcome and Prayer

The business meeting commenced at 12:15 pm. The pastor, Rev Michael Kane chaired the meeting, and welcomed members.

Mick Kane opened the meeting in prayer.

2. Attendance and apologies

There were 43 members and 10 non-members present at the meeting.

Apologies were received from Leah Bolton, Tom Bolton, John Churchman, Sue Churchman, Lesley Dinsdale, Barbara Donnelly, Philomena Evans, Brenda Hambleton, Dean Stanfield, Ingrid Stanfield, Karl Stanfield, Simona Stanfield, Vera Packard, Gert Schwartz.

3. Minutes of AGM held on 26 February 2023

The minutes had been made available to members as part of the AGM pack. The minutes were received and approved.

4. Matters arising from minutes

None.

5. Election of tellers

Will Graham and Tom Patterson were elected.

6. Election of Trustees

Steve Boyd, Bill Graham, Peter Hewitt and Mark Rotheram stood down from the board at this AGM. Mick thanked them for their work on the board this last year, and over recent years. Mick thanked Bill Graham in particular for his faithfulness and dedication to the church, having served on the board for the last 54 years consecutively. The gathering joined Mick in thanking Bill for his work, and wished the church to honour Bill in an appropriate way.

The nominating committee proposed the following members for election to the board: Jack Bolton, Mark Bolton, Daisy Chan, Susan Cooley, Tim Geddes, Charmaine Hamnett, Simona Stanfield, Sheila Strong and Margaret Webb.

The tellers circulated ballot papers, and members were advised they could vote for any number of candidates, from zero to all nine candidates.

There were 43 voting members, with 22 votes required to elect a candidate.

After the votes were counted, it was announced that all nine candidates were elected as trustees.

7. Presentation of reports

The following reports had been circulated to members prior to the meeting in the members pack:

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- Pastor
- Church Secretary
- Associate Pastor – Community
- Kids' Church Coordinator
- Nominating Committee
- Trustees
- Treasurer
- Financial Independent Examiner

Pastor Mick read his report – his fourth as pastor. Mick reflected on the year at Brooklands, highlighting key events in the church year, challenges, and emphasising that “thus far, God has helped us”.

Mick's report was received by members, as were the reports of the two Associate Pastors.

The reports from the Church Secretary and the Trustees were received.

8. Adoption of annual reports

There was an opportunity for members to raise questions about any of the reports.

Vivienne Best and Sheila Strong proposed and seconded the adoption of all the reports. Members voted to adopt the reports.

9. Presentation of accounts

The church treasurer, Sheila Strong presented the accounts and explained them to members. The accounts paint the church in a healthy financial position. Income for the year was £84,430.10 with expenditure at £82,955.93 creating an income surplus of £1,474.17, when added to our opening reserves, leaves a balance at the bank of £49,837.10.

Our budgets to our parent organisation, the British Isles South District of the Church of the Nazarene, have been paid in full and according to schedule. In addition to this, the church has made a donation to support a new Nazarene church – Revelation Community Church in Leyland.

A number of legacies were received during the year. It was confirmed that the board always seeks to use legacy money in a way that honours the memory of the giver. This year, the monies received in legacies were used towards the new chairs in the sanctuary.

Members were thanked for their generous giving, included Gift Aid contributions.

A motion to receive the report was accepted, and members were given the opportunity to ask questions about the report.

10. Adoption of accounts

The accounts have been audited. The financial report was unanimously accepted by members and Mick thanked the treasurer for all her hard work in keeping the church accounts.

11. Election of delegates to the district assembly

The District Assembly will be held on Friday 8 March and Saturday 9 March 2024 in Dukinfield. Pastors Mick Kane and Lucy Frost are ex-officio delegates, and Lauren McGillivray will be the NYI delegate. Tim Geddes, Ingrid Stanfield, Karl Stanfield and Sheila Strong were proposed lay delegates. This delegation was approved by members.

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There might be scope for one further members to attend as a lay delegate. If anyone is available for this, they were invited to speak to Mick.

12. Any other business

None.

13. Closing remarks

Bill Graham closed the meeting in prayer.

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Pastor's Report

Members and Friends,

“Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel (which means God with us).” – Isaiah 7:14

I always try to bring Scripture into my reports and this year I've gone for Christmas. You may remember that we used this verse, and the truth that it conveys, 'God is with us,' for an inspiring testimony service in December as we reflected on the year together. But as I begin my 5th report as Lead Pastor of Brooklands Church of the Nazarene I want to remind us that 'Immanuel is not just for Christmas.' Because I can say with great certainty that God has, once again been with us this year. There is so much to reflect on and give thanks for.

We began the church year with special celebrations for 60 years as an organised church. A week's worth of events with highlights that included an afternoon together and special meal at Didsbury Golf club, a special service of testimony and thanksgiving, a visit from General Superintendent, Revd. Dr. Carla Sunberg, and Bill Graham being presented with a globally recognised award for distinguished service. It is appropriate once again to recognise the huge efforts from all involved in the celebrations and I feel that we carried much momentum from this in to the past year.

Our Spirit-filled times of worship have seen record attendances both in person and online, and our church as a whole continues to grow in healthy ways. We regularly see new faces; we have received 7 new church members; we celebrated with 4 individuals as they went through the waters of Baptism; we saw one new baby dedicated; we remain faithful to prayer and the study of Scripture; our worship is diverse and participatory; and our times of fellowship are warm and welcoming.

And it is not just on Sundays that we experience the blessing of God together. Our church building is in use every day of the week – alive with ministry, community engagement, and budding local partnerships. We've enjoyed a number of special events too – Summer socials, hosting an evening of worship with national worship leaders Lou and Nathan Fellingham, a special 'remembering service' prior to Advent and Christmas, and our 'Carols in the Park' event saw 400 people gather to hear the Christ-story through Bible readings and song. We also remain a financially healthy church.

But we must be careful with presenting 'numerical and financial' success as indicators of health. We are reminded in the book of Isaiah of a helpful image – as a tent is enlarged, the stakes must be strengthened (Isaiah 54:2). This is why there has also been a focus on the spiritual growth and discipleship of our folks. The Tuesday evening Bible Study has become an important space for deepening faith beyond Sundays. This compliments the Thursday Bible Study led by Pastor Lucy and the Young Adult Bible Study. We are also keen to find ways into service for everyone who is in a place to do so. Please speak to me if you want to know more! Faith really comes alive when it is put into practice, I believe.

All of this does not mean that there hasn't been challenges this year. We lost a number of significant people in our community who have gone on to glory – Anna Holme, Shamal Gosh, Jenny Hearne, Jean Boyd, Gladys Hoolihan and Myra O'Hara. Their race has ended and they join the great cloud of witnesses whose influence continues to surround us. We have walked with individuals through loss, illness, doubt and many other challenges this broken world contains. But the challenges do not change the Scriptural promise that started this report – God has been with us – and it is often in the difficulties of this life that this is most evident.

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We saw changes to the pastoral team this year also. After two and half years of serving as Associate Pastor to children, young people and families, Lauren McGillivray moved back to Scotland to be closer to family. We are so grateful for everything Lauren poured into this church family during her time here and her influence continues to be missed. But, again, God proved his ongoing presence and provision in bringing Sarah Bayliss to us as Kids' Church Coordinator. Sarah has only been in the role for just over a month but her early enthusiasm and excitement fills me with great confidence as she oversees the discipleship of our children on Sundays. We are aware that in the transition from Lauren to Sarah there remains a gap in the leadership of youth ministry in the church and we are looking to address this as soon as possible. If you feel like this is something you could contribute to, please let me know. Lucy Frost remains in her role as Associate Pastor for Community Engagement and Pastoral Care and I am deeply grateful for her partnership in ministry.

This was also a significant year for me as I was privileged to enjoy a mini-sabbatical during the summer. As this was early in my overall tenure at the church it is not missed on me the generosity of the church to grant this. It was an important break for me during which I too was reminded of the truth of Immanuel – God was present with me in powerful ways during this time. Both my family and I would like to take this opportunity again to thank you, the church membership for making it possible. I have been open about the fact that this need for a break arose from my own capacity challenges as I continue to serve in a dual role between here at the church and Nazarene Theological College. In working with the church board I have recently made adjustments in my time which now means I work 3 days here and 2 days at the college – this feels like a better fit for me in this season. It is important that you know that this is an ongoing conversation and both myself and the board are monitoring it closely as we seek to find the best model for me and Brooklands Church of the Nazarene.

Writing this annual report provides an important opportunity for me to look back on the last year, and if I could summarise my emotions in this task I would say that I am deeply thankful. Firstly, I am thankful to you, the reader of this report. There is nothing in this report that I can take credit for. It is only possible because of your partnership in the mission of the local church – your service, giving, participation and openness to the love of God is what makes all of this possible so please know that I am deeply grateful for you. I am thankful to Lucy, Sarah, and Karl, who I get to pastor alongside. I am reminded everytime I spend time with these wonderful people that there is beautiful wisdom in the make-up of the church. Each of us bring unique gifts of leadership to the table and it's only when united as a team we see the best of each other. I am thankful to the church board – we have a GREAT church board! In all my time here I've felt supported and affirmed in my calling by them – thank you! I'm thankful to Debbie and Mikey – my first priority in ministry, although I must admit that I don't always remember that. Pray for me as a husband and father. And finally I am thankful to God, who has been with us this past year, is with us now, and will never leave us nor forsake us.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. Michael Kane

Lead Pastor

Brooklands Church of the Nazarene

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Report from the Church Secretary

I start this report by thanking our pastoral team - Mick, Lucy, Lauren and Karl, together with my fellow members of the church board for their selfless service and hard work over this last year. In 1 Peter 3 verse 8, the apostle exhorts us to *"be like-minded, be sympathetic, love one another, be compassionate and humble"*. This is the spirit in which our church leaders have worked together, to the Glory of God.

Brooklands Church is a registered charity, and the church board works hard to make sure we meet our charitable objectives, which are the advancement of the Christian faith as part of the Global Church of the Nazarene and the Church of the Nazarene British Isles South District, and to serve and enhance the local community.

Our main Sunday ministry has seen increases in personal attendance and increases in online viewing. It is pleasing to see advances in discipleship, with our two midweek Bible studies led by Pastor Mick and Pastor Lucy, and our Young Adults Bible study being well attended. We continue to hold weekly Zoom prayer meetings, and a monthly prayer breakfast. Our Community Café continues to flourish, as it provides a safe space for people to meet. We also run a digital inclusion group for church and community members to learn about digital technologies.

Children's work has been coordinated by Lauren McGillivray, and it was sad to say goodbye to her in December. We wish her well back home in Scotland. Sarah Bayliss has taken over responsibility for running Kids Church. In addition to this, we were able to hold fellowship meetings for secondary school aged children, and a weekly group for toddlers and their parent or carers.

We have again worked closely with Kings Church and Grace Church to communicate the gospel to Wythenshawe residents this year.

Church membership currently stands at 107. This is a net gain of four members, with seven joining us, and three members having gone to be with their Lord.

The second aspect of our charitable aims is to serve and enhance our local community. We do this in a variety of ways. We have strong links with a number of community partners, including FoodCycle, String of Hearts, local residents' associations, the NHS, Brooklands Brownies and Guides, and Manchester City Council. We also run our own Food Pantry, providing low priced food to vulnerable and needy people from the estate. Brooklands Church continues to be a well-used facility within the community.

Our treasurer will report a healthy financial position, and we are so grateful to the whole church community for your generous, sacrificial giving, so vital to help us continue with our ministries. We do have several financial challenges ahead as we implement changes to the working arrangements of members our pastoral team. We also have some necessary improvements to our church premises to consider soon. Please pray for your church leaders as they address these issues.

I want to place on record my thanks and appreciation to everyone that contributes to the safe operation of Brooklands Church. Many people carry out many different jobs, very often unseen. The Lord blesses those who serve with a gracious heart, and it is wonderful to see His blessings being multiplied for the members of the church, and into the community in which we serve.

Thanks be to God.

Mark Bolton

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Report from the Associate Pastor - Community

In the past year I have been so encouraged by the progress of our church. I have continued to develop my ministry and am progressing well with my post-graduate ordination studies. I have stayed on schedule completing two college modules this year. I have just two units left to complete towards ordination. These academic units are challenging sometimes but give Nazarene ministers a fantastic foundation for their ministries. At the end of last year I was pleased to go before the Board of Ministry and update them on the growth of our church and how my ministry is developing. It is always helpful to receive encouragement and advice from them and to have my district license renewed for another year. I am thankful to our District Superintendent Carl McCann, Pastor Mick and other ministers on the district for sharing their wisdom and experience. I have regular meetings with my ordination mentor and other pastors and ordination candidates. One area I am being encouraged to develop is to preach more in other churches across the district.

In terms of my ministry this year I have enjoyed developing my preaching and leading services, teaching my weekly Bible study and conducting pastoral visits. I was honoured to take on more responsibility while Pastor Mick enjoyed a six-week sabbatical. Thank you to our church secretary Mark Bolton, our technical team and musicians who are so talented and committed to their ministries.

Our Thursday community café has grown to be an important space for community engagement and evangelism. It is a key focus of my ministry, providing a warm space and food, building friendships and helping people enjoy new hobbies. Our local councillors conduct their surgeries in this space, and we are also joined frequently by different community leaders. This past year we have partnered with other groups and publications who have promoted our cafe. This has resulted in many new people attending. As we hoped our craft group has grown and people have been sent to us by way of 'social prescribing.' It has proved to be a real blessing to many people struggling with their mental and physical health to build their self-esteem and form friendships.

Our community pantry, run by Charmaine and Holly operates alongside. This continues to be an important ministry, helping those struggling with the cost-of-living crisis and feeding in to our other ministries. The past few months we have really seen our midweek activities bear fruit with many people attending church services over the Christmas period and continuing to attend.

For the past two and a half years part of my work each week has been at our Salford church-Broughton Community Church and Centre. I work there two days a week as the Food Pantry Coordinator. It has been very helpful to build a ministry in a context very different to Brooklands, looking after a diverse group of people. It has been wonderful to pray with people and share my faith. A real community has grown there with English classes, a craft group, gardening and cooking classes as well as community art projects flourishing. It is exciting to see people build connections and start to attend Bible study and the church services there. It has provided me with a lot of experience and inspiration for my ministry at Brooklands and I'm grateful to Rev Louise Kenyon for everything she is teaching me.

As always, I feel so blessed by all your support and prayers.

Grace and Peace,

Lucy Frost

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Report from the Kids' Church Coordinator

I'm so grateful for being a part of Brooklands Church of the Nazarene and have loved getting to know so many people in the past few months. I instantly felt so welcomed and have also really appreciated the encouragement so many people have given me in the past few weeks since starting this new role. I'm so thankful for this church community and am excited and hopeful for what the coming months will bring.

Having only recently started my role at Brooklands, my primary focus at the moment is getting to know both the children and their families as well. We've been playing a lot of 'get to know you' games which has been great fun but will look to start some more structured discipleship in the coming weeks. As part of putting this in place, I intend on intentionally chatting to the children to get a greater understanding of what aspects of their Sunday group they really enjoy. I can then begin to put together a weekly structure that disciples them well and is also a time they genuinely look forward to.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sarah Bayliss

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Report from the Nominating Committee

The nominating committee has received nominations from the following people, who are all willing to serve the board as trustees for the coming church year.

Those nominated, in alphabetical order:

- Jack Bolton
- Mark Bolton
- Daisy Chan
- Susan Cooley
- Tim Geddes
- Charmaine Hamnett
- Sheila Strong
- Margaret Webb

The church is reminded that Revd. Mick Kane, Lucy Frost and Lauren McGillivray are paid employees of the church, and are not eligible for election as trustees. By virtue of their paid positions, they are ex-officio (automatically) members of the church board.

Mark Bolton
Secretary to Nominating Committee
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Report of the Board of Trustees

OPENING STATEMENT

The Board of the Manchester Brooklands Church of the Nazarene Charitable Incorporated Organisation (Brooklands Church) presents its report and financial statements for the period from 01 October 2023 to 30 September 2024.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity Name: Manchester Brooklands Church of the Nazarene
Registration Number: 1159881
Principal Address: Wendover Road, Brooklands, Manchester, M23 9NF
Correspondence Address: 5 Ashcroft Road, Lymm, Cheshire, WA13 9HX
Website: www.brooklandschurch.uk

CHURCH BOARD

EMPLOYEES

Name	Position	Date Appointed
Rev Michael Kane	Lead Pastor	01 January 2021
Lucy Frost	Associate Pastor	26 February 2017
Lauren McGillivray	Associate Pastor	01 August 2022

ELECTED TRUSTEES

Name	Position	Date Appointed
Andrew Mark Bolton	Trustee / Secretary	15 February 2015
Sheila Strong	Trustee / Treasurer	15 February 2015
Jack Benjamin Bolton	Trustee	26 February 2017
Simona Stanfield	Trustee	23 February 2020
Daisy Chan	Trustee	18 February 2024
Susan Cooley	Trustee	18 February 2024
Tim Geddes	Trustee	18 February 2024
Charmaine Hamnett	Trustee	18 February 2024
Margaret Webb	Trustee	18 February 2024

Name	Position	Date Resigned
William T Graham	Trustee	18 February 2024
Steve Boyd	Trustee	18 February 2024
Mark Rotheram	Trustee	18 February 2024
Peter Hewitt	Trustee	18 February 2024

The pastor and associate pastors are ex-officio members of the church board by virtue of their offices. The NYI, NMI and Children's Ministry representatives (where appointed) are also ex-officio by virtue of their office within the Church.

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HOLDING/CUSTODIAN TRUSTEE

Church of the Nazarene British Isles South District
(A Charitable Company Limited by Guarantee: Company No 7028764)
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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

STRUCTURE AND ORGANISATION

The Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) was set up on 09 January 2016 with registration number 1159881.

Brooklands Church is overseen by a Church Board, which at present comprises paid employees and elected trustees. There are currently three paid employees and nine trustees. The number of trustees is subject to change at each annual general meeting.

The Lead Pastor chairs the church board.

APPOINTMENTS

The position of Lead Pastor of Brooklands Church was reviewed in 2023, which was two years after the appointment was made. The next review is due to take place in 2027

The Associate Pastors are ex-officio non-voting member of the Church Board.

The Lead Pastor and both Associate Pastors are part time employees.

GOVERNANCE AND WIDER NETWORK

The church board meets monthly to consider the work and management of Brooklands Church and assess and plan the financial and other aspects of the work and direction of the Charity.

Brooklands Church is one of the Churches within the Church of the Nazarene British Isles South District (a Charitable Company Limited by Guarantee, Company No 7028764; Charity No 1133336), which in turn is a member of the Eurasia Region of the global Church of the Nazarene which has its headquarters at Church of the Nazarene, Global Ministry Center, 17001 Prairie Star Parkway, Lenexa, Kansas, USA, 66220.

The governing documents of Brooklands Church are:

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- The Constitution of the Manchester Brooklands Church of the Nazarene (as approved by the Charity Commission of England & Wales, latest edition, presently dated 12 December 2014)
- The rules and provisions of the Church of the Nazarene Manual as updated from time to time (currently: Church of the Nazarene Manual 2017-2021, Kansas City: Nazarene Publishing House, Kansas City, Missouri, U.S.A., 2017) insofar as these rules and provisions are not inconsistent with any provision of the Constitution of the Manchester Brooklands Church of the Nazarene, or UK Charity Law.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The risk management strategy of Brooklands Church is in a continual process of formulation – in line with the Constitution – and in response to the changing circumstances that could impact upon the work of Brooklands Church.

The church board, in considering this important task, takes direction from ongoing discussions with members both internally and through meetings with Brooklands Church of the Nazarene British Isles South District and other advisers, adopting appropriate policies as required or as they become necessary to the ongoing work of Brooklands Church.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

CHARITABLE OBJECTIVES

The Charity has the following objectives:

- a. The advancement of the Christian faith as part of the Global Church of the Nazarene and the Church of the Nazarene British Isles South District, principally, but not exclusively in northern England.
- b. To serve and enhance the local community.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

The Trustees have had due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit reporting in deciding what activities the Charity should undertake. This report illustrates some of the activities undertaken to support the public benefit requirement.

REVIEW OF THE YEAR

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

Our activities for the year included:

- a. Continuation of weekly Christian worship meetings and promotion of the Christian faith in accordance with the principles of the Church of the Nazarene, led by our Lead Pastor, Revd Michael Kane, and assisted by our Associate Pastors and other leaders.
- b. Provision of online worship sessions through the broadcasting of our Sunday services, for the benefit of housebound and distant friends of the church.
- c. Development of roles of Associate Pastors.
- d. Work with children and young people to promote the Christian faith and provide local social benefit.
- e. Continuation of midweek meetings for adults.

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- f. Continuing to develop links with the local community, enhance the involvement of Brooklands Church with relevant local agencies to support the local community, where necessary taking account of recent changes in government regulations.
- g. Continue to partner with and make the church building available to relevant local agencies seeking to benefit the local community. Such agencies include but are not restricted to Manchester City Council, NHS, charities.
- h. Engagement with children through Sunday meetings to promote Christian values and ethical education.
- i. Weekly parent and child group.
- j. Regular prayer breakfasts and other counselling services.
- k. A weekly Community Café, jointly hosted by Manchester City Council councilors for the Brooklands ward.
- l. Weekly prayer meeting (including online) to consider the needs of the congregation and community.
- m. Weekly Bible study groups at the church premises and at private homes.
- n. Weekly free meal provided for local residents, hosted by partners FoodCycle – a charity.
- o. Close working relationships with the Brooklands Tenants and Residents Association, and local Manchester City Councilors.
- p. Provision of a weekly Food Bank, in association with other groups.
- q. Provision of education with basic IT instruction.
- r. Hosting of Guides and Brownies groups.
- s. Hosting of a choir.
- t. Siting of a defibrillator for community use.
- u. Management of the church manse, which is tenanted by a private individual and his family.

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

- a. Continued growth of the membership and Church attendance.
- b. Increased community engagement.
- c. Strengthened relationship with partners.
- d. The development of equipment and training to provide a virtual online Church to both the housebound and wider community near and far.
- e. Improvements to the church premises.

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FUTURE PLANS

The church board meets on a regular basis to plan and look to the future of the charity. Current proposals include:

- a. Continued practical improvements to our church premises and the manse.
- b. Strengthening of the faith of our membership through in-person and online worship, pastoral visitation and other means of communication – including the provision of online editions of the weekly newsletters being sent by request to members and friends of Brooklands Church.
- c. Seek opportunities for Christian expression.
- d. To develop ways of 'loving our neighbour' by supporting and reaching out to our local community.
- e. Development and improvement of premises and facilities.

VOLUNTEERS

The work planned, activities undertaken and achievements attained would not have been possible without the active involvement and hard work of all of the members and friends of Brooklands Church, without whom the substantial work of the charity could not be realised. The church board is grateful for the work and support of all the members and friends of Brooklands Church.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

RESERVES

The Charity does not have a policy on reserves as the expenditure and work of the charity is reliant upon the ongoing support, tithes and offerings of the members and friends received at the weekly meetings. The church board holds regular reviews of the anticipated income and expenditure for the few months in order to ensure the ongoing work of the charity.

FINANCIAL REVIEW OF THE YEAR

The Charity has continued throughout the year to meet and tailor the expenditure it incurs to the income received through rent from use of the building (or Manse) and through the tithes, offerings and donations received. There is much more that the Board of Trustees would like to do, and we continue to explore these and the use of possible grants that may be available to enable these plans to become a reality.

The Receipts and Payment Account shows that there was a net deficit in income over expenditure during the year of £3,041.01.

DECLARATION

The trustees declare that they have approved the report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees on 16 February 2025.



Revd Michael Kane
Chairman



Andrew Mark Bolton
Secretary

MANCHESTER BROOKLANDS CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

(REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 1159881)

TREASURER'S REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD 01 OCTOBER 2023 TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

Annual Income and Expenditure Accounts for the period 01 October 2023 to 30 September 2024 are attached for our perusal and acceptance.

MANCHESTER BROOKLANDS CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

INCOME

Tithes, Offerings and Covenants (Note A) are up 12.8% (£5,218) compared to 10% (3,794) last year, with Gift Aid (Note B) increasing by 14.6% (£1,098) compared to 9% (603) last year

The Manse Rent (Note C) has increased by 2.5% (£250) in line with rents in our area.

Use of Premises (Note D) has remained constant as we are almost at capacity. This is, as I mentioned last year, being monitored and managed by Mark Bolton and Simona Stanfield.

Last year the District granted Churches £250 per Ordained Elder(s) or Licenced Pastor(s) to "*financially bless all the serving Pastoral households*" (Note E). It should be noted that the Board agreed that all three of our Pastors should be appreciated, and therefore added the additional £250 to the contribution.

The Food Pantry continues on a weekly basis, and a donation was received at the beginning of the year (Note F) to be used as the organisers deemed necessary.

Note G highlights various collections that were taken during the year. In June and July we had Raising Futures, in August 2024 missionaries Philip and Katy Rodebush from Jordan joined us, and in December the annual Pastors' Christmas Love Gifts. Obviously the Pastors were paid their gifts at Christmas, but the other two will be sent to the appropriate bodies in due course.

SAVINGS ACCOUNT

During the year funds are transferred to and from the Savings Account to accommodate cashflow requirements. Due to unexpected expenses, including the 60th Birthday celebrations and repairs and maintenance required on The Manse, £1,800 was transferred from the Savings Account (Note H).

EXPENDITURE

All Pastors are paid in accordance with British Isles South District Remuneration Policy. The income received from The Naz Salford (Note I) covers the salary paid on their behalf to Pastor Lucy.

The cost of Church Cleaning (Note J) has increased due to the additional usage of the premises, which is covered by the amount charged to the various Community groups.

Once again this year Manchester City Council granted Brooklands Church of the Nazarene £1,130.99 towards a community project. Last year it was the Community Digital Inclusion programme (Note K), with this year it going towards Community Crafting (Note L). Should you wish to join in with this please speak to Pastor Lucy.

In April we received an email from our energy supplier advising the Church almost £4,000 as they had not taken any Direct Debits for a few months, hence the low Gas/Electricity charge for this year (Note M). Simona has been negotiating with them, and we will be correcting this in the next month or two.

Kitchen Equipment Repairs (Note N) includes a new coffee machine and repairs to the dishwasher.

BISD Budgets increased by 5.8% (£447), and all Budgets have been paid in full.

CURRENT BANK BALANCES

Bank balances at the end of the Financial Year are as follows:

	2024	2023
Current Account	£6,959.69	£8,200.70
Savings Account	£37,838.71	£39,095.88
NYI/Kids Church Account	£1,569.44	£1,931.02

I respectfully submit this report and trust it meets with the Boards approval

Shila Strong MAAT

Treasurer

MANCHESTER BROOKLANDS CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

(REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 1159881)

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE PERIOD 01 OCTOBER 2023 TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

	Notes	September 2024	September 2023
BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD		8,200.70	4,325.83
INCOME		77,010.09	83,911.05
Tithes & Offerings		14,964.63	18,362.08
Covenants	A	30,891.50	22,276.40
Gift Aid Rebate	B	8,617.52	7,519.40
Manse Rent	C	10,200.00	9,950.00
Use of Premises	D	5,468.77	5,348.25
Amazon Smile			122.26
BISD Clergy Appreciation	E	500.00	
Chairs Fund			4,350.70
Drum Kit			600.00
Food Pantry Donation	F	1,000.00	
Gifts & Donations		885.00	2,891.10
Helping Hands		988.00	
Lebanon/Cyprus/Syria Earthquake Gifts			550.00
Legacies			10,001.00
Manchester City Council Christmas Grant			800.00
Mission Collection		245.00	
Pastors Love Gifts	G	1,095.00	680.00
Raising Futures		2,054.67	
Social Relief Fund		100.00	
Toddle In Donation			143.86
Youth Work Donation			100.00
Sundry			216.00
		85,210.79	88,236.88
SAVINGS ACCOUNT	H	1,800.00	(5,800.00)
Transferred from Savings Account		9,000.00	12,400.00
Transferred to Savings Account		(7,200.00)	(18,200.00)
		87,010.79	82,436.88
EXPENDITURE		80,051.10	74,755.23
PASTORS			
LEAD PASTOR		19,109.36	16,846.31
Salary		17,502.54	15,649.24
Pension		525.12	469.52
BISD Clergy Appreciation		250.00	
Christmas Love Gift		400.00	350.00
Expenses		431.70	377.55
ASSISTANT PASTORS		21,752.06	19,780.95
Salary		28,912.65	26,667.93
The Naz Salary Secondment	I	(8,904.76)	(7,454.48)
Expenses		56.25	90.70
Pension		367.92	116.80
BISD Clergy Appreciation		500.00	
Christmas Love Gift		750.00	330.00
Personal Development		70.00	30.00
CHURCH		26,953.48	28,973.58
60th Birthday Celebrations (Note 9)		2,187.44	
Administration Fees		516.00	508.50
Church / Garden Maintenance (Note 1)		5,312.92	5,750.56
Church Cleaning	J	5,059.97	2,143.25
Community		12.50	225.47
Community Digital Inclusion Grant (Note 6)	K	(119.05)	
Community Crafting Grant (Note 10)	L	(917.71)	
DBS Checks		24.50	195.25
Editorials/ Brochures			22.00
Food Pantry (Note 2)			480.66
Gas / Electricity	M	1,464.21	3,945.45
Gifts & Donations (Note 7)		988.00	1,100.00
Insurance		2,532.83	2,175.74
Kitchen Consumables		894.38	1,111.17
Kitchen Equipment Repairs	N	1,124.18	263.16
Licences (Note 3)		938.18	733.78
New Chairs			3,338.50
NTC Social Theology Prize		100.00	100.00
Office Supplies / Postage		633.07	453.17
Piano Tuner		140.00	130.00
Social Relief		100.00	100.00

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Technical Equipment (Note 4)	2,745.00		2,097.17	
Telephone / Broadband	948.00		1,158.00	
Water	206.62		520.64	
Sundry (Note 5)	2,043.39		2,421.11	
MANSE		3,500.85		778.40
Insurance	1,007.36		485.38	
Maintenance (Note 8)	2,493.49		293.02	
' KIDS CHURCH		608.35		695.99
Allowance - Kids Church	240.00		240.00	
Allowance - NYI Account	275.10		250.00	
Literature / Materials	93.25		128.83	
Snacks			77.16	
BISD		8,127.00		7,680.00
District Budgets	8,127.00		7,680.00	
BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD		6,959.69		7,681.65

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

	September 2024	September 2023
1 Church / Garden Maintenance		
A Wilson - Electrical Safety Repairs		282.00
B-Secure - fitting of 2 CCTV Cameras		642.00
Cable Trunking/Wood Filler		83.25
Church Electrical Repairs	1,449.60	
Church Lighting	1,089.36	46.76
Co2 Alarms		123.96
Fire Alarm/Extinguishers Service	140.43	666.00
Fire Escape Doors Repositioning	1,085.00	
Fire Safety Audit	312.00	
Gas Safety Inspection		274.80
Kitchen Lighting	234.33	
Klevio Locking System Installation		430.00
Klevio Locking System	144.00	1,676.20
New Clock for Back Hall		6.99
New Keys		122.00
P Ludlaim - Lawn Mower Service		220.00
Parking Cones	18.49	
Thompson Catering Supplies		473.00
Toilet Sensor Lights	396.00	
Trolley	117.57	
TV Bracket & Adaptors		34.98
UK Safety Management	326.14	668.62
	5,312.92	5,750.56
2 Food Pantry		
Purchases		327.49
Soup Warmer		135.17
Storage Boxes		18.00
		480.66
3 Licences		
CCLI	350.00	327.00
Ofcom	135.00	
Proclaim	297.30	262.90
Zoom	155.88	143.88
	938.18	733.78
4 Technical Equipment		
Drum Kit		1,890.00
Ethernet Cable		7.19
Mobile Phone for Security Alarm		52.99
New TV for Sanctuary	454.00	
New Sound Equipment	1,871.00	
New Printer	420.00	
New Routers		146.99
	2,745.00	2,097.17

5 Sundry		
Bank Charges		0.20

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Bible Study Materials		21.32
Board Meal	135.80	78.33
"Carols in the Park"	115.00	
Chocolates for Christmas Sermon		19.28
Christmas Expenses	355.13	
Church Outings	114.80	
Community Christmas Market		800.00
Costco Membership Renewal	15.00	
Dedication Bibles		42.56
District Assembly Delegates Meals	126.00	76.00
First Aid Supplies		14.65
Llay Church of the Nazarene Booklets	366.00	
Mr W T Graham Long Service Award	99.22	
New Vacuum Cleaner	249.99	
Pastors Lunch	35.60	
Prayer Activity Materials		35.13
Signage		508.74
Table Trolley		417.60
Toddle In Chairs		143.86
Toddle In Storage Box		8.99
Toolbox and Tools	80.15	
Toys for Creche	30.95	154.45
Visiting Speaker	250.00	100.00
Work Morning Breakfast	69.75	
	2,043.39	2,421.11
6 Digital Inclusion Project		
Manchester City Council Community Grant	(1,130.99)	(1,130.99)
Sale of iPads	(150.00)	611.94
Christmas Voucher	50.00	
Hire of Premises	500.00	
Purchase of 6 iPads	611.94	
	(119.05)	(519.05)
7 Gifts & Donations		
Helping Hands	988.00	
Manchester Choir		100.00
Revelation Community Church		1,000.00
	988.00	1,100.00
8 Manse Maintenance		
Gas Safety Check and Boiler Service	290.00	
Maintenance incl Guttering and Roof Work	2,080.00	
Garden Maintenance	41.00	215.00
Repair of Taps	82.49	
		78.02
	2,493.49	293.02
9 60th Birthday Celebrations		
Congregation Contributions	(1,033.00)	
Didsbury Golf Club	1,987.00	
Birthday Booklets	224.00	
Birthday Cake	15.49	
Venue Balloons	180.00	
Ladies Meal	244.36	
Comedian	500.00	
Kids Meal and Activities	69.59	
	2,187.44	
10 Community Crafting		
Manchester City Council Community Grant	(1,130.99)	
Community Crafting	213.28	
	(917.71)	

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE PERIOD 01 SEPTEMBER 2024 TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

	September 2024		September 2023	
BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD		7,359.21		17,169.87
INCOME		6,186.99		6,061.33
Tithes & Offerings	1,868.36		1,579.83	
Covenants	2,850.00		1,938.50	
Manse Rent	850.00		850.00	
Use of Premises	618.63		613.00	
Chairs Fund			30.00	
Gifts & Donations			50.00	
Legacies			1,000.00	
		13,546.20		23,231.20
SAVINGS ACCOUNT		(100.00)		(7,100.00)
Transferred from Savings Account				
Transferred to Savings Account	(100.00)		(7,100.00)	
		13,446.20		16,131.20
EXPENDITURE		6,486.51		7,930.50
PASTORS				
LEAD PASTOR		1,573.84		1,544.62
Salary	1,528.00		1,389.09	
Pension	45.84		41.68	
Expenses			113.85	
ASSISTANT PASTORS		2,529.73		1,831.74
Salary	2,497.61		2,452.99	
Pension	32.12		29.20	
The Naz Salary Secondment			(650.45)	
CHURCH		1,582.20		4,167.14
Administration Fees	28.00		28.00	
Church Cleaning	656.57		167.50	
Church / Garden Maintenance (Note 1)	370.77			
Community			16.66	
DBS Checks			145.00	
Gas / Electricity	344.54			
Kitchen Consumables			128.33	
NTC Social Theolgy Prize	100.00		100.00	
Telephone / Broadband	54.00		204.00	
Water	28.32		17.83	
Sundry (Note 5)			3,359.82	
MANSE		780.74		
Insurance	490.74			
Maintenance (Note 8)	290.00			
NYI / KIDS CHURCH		20.00		20.00
Kids Church Allowance	20.00		20.00	
BISD				367.00
District Budgets			367.00	
BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD		6,959.69		8,200.70

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1	<u>Church / Garden Maintenance</u>		
	Church Lighting	136.44	
	Kitchen Lighting	234.33	
		<u>370.77</u>	<u></u>
5	<u>Sundry</u>		
	Bible Study Materials		21.32
	Chairs		3,338.50
			<u>3,359.82</u>
8	<u>Manse Maintenance</u>		
	Gas Safety Inspection and Boiler Service	290.00	
		<u>290.00</u>	<u></u>

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SAVINGS ACCOUNT			
		September 2024	September 2023
01/10/2023	Opening Balance	39,095.88	43,283.13
30/09/2024	Transferred from Current Account	1,200.00	19,200.00
30/09/2024	Interest Received	542.83	262.75
		40,838.71	62,745.88
30/09/2024	Tfrd to Current Account	(9,000.00)	(12,400.00)
	Roshile Furnishings		(11,250.00)
		(9,000.00)	(23,650.00)
30/09/2024	Balance per Cash Book/Statement	31,838.71	39,095.88

NYI/KIDS CHURCH ACCOUNT			
		September 2024	September 2023
BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD		1,931.02	1,555.56
INCOME			
	Kids Church Allowance	240.00	240.00
	NYI Allowance	250.00	250.00
	Sundry	0.00	
		2,421.02	2,045.56
EXPENDITURE			
	Youth Club Expenses	(93.25)	
	Kids Church Expenses	(758.33)	(114.54)
BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD		1,569.44	1,931.02

FOOD PANTRY RECONCILIATIONS			
DATE	DETAILS	AMOUNT	BALANCE
27/03/2018	Manchester City Ci	1,051.24	1,051.24
11/05/2018	Food Pantry - Dona	200.00	1,251.24
14/05/2018	Donations	18.55	1,269.79
12/06/2018	Miss H Dale - Purc	(130.00)	1,139.79

MANCHESTER BROOKLANDS CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
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DISTRICT BUDGETS
FOR THE PERIOD 01 OCTOBER 2023 TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2024

	2023/24	2022/23
District Budget Due	3,454.00	3,264.00
District Budget Paid	(3,454.00)	(3,264.00)
District Budget o/s	0.00	0.00
Benevolent Budget Due	813.00	768.00
Benevolent Budget Paid	(813.00)	(768.00)
Benevolent Budget o/s	0.00	0.00
SS Ministries Paid	203.00	192.00
SS Ministries o/s	(203.00)	(192.00)
SS Ministries Budget o/s	0.00	0.00
College Budget Due	1,422.00	1,344.00
College Budget Paid	(1,422.00)	(1,344.00)
College Budget o/s	0.00	0.00
NMI WEF 2012 Due	2,235.00	2,112.00
NMI WEF 2012 Paid	(2,235.00)	(2,112.00)
NMI WEF o/s	0.00	0.00
Total Budgets Due	8,127.00	7,679.00
Total Budgets Paid	(8,127.00)	(7,680.00)
	0.00	(1.00)

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BANK BALANCES MONTH-ON-MONTH

October 2023					November 2023				
	CURRENT ACCOUNT	NYI ACCOUNT	KIDS CHURCH ACCOUNT	SAVINGS ACCOUNT		CURRENT ACCOUNT	NYI ACCOUNT	KIDS CHURCH ACCOUNT	SAVINGS ACCOUNT
Balance Brought Forward	8,200.70	1,910.00	21.02	39,095.88		6,125.12	1,910.00	(36.46)	39,195.88
Monthly Transactions	(2,075.58)		(77.48)			294.61	(168.25)		
Transferred from Current Account			20.00	100.00			250.00	20.00	100.00
Interest Earned									
	6,125.12	1,910.00	(36.46)	39,195.88		6,419.73	1,991.75	(16.46)	39,295.88
		1,873.54					1,975.29		
December 2023					January 2024				
	CURRENT ACCOUNT	NYI ACCOUNT	KIDS CHURCH ACCOUNT	SAVINGS ACCOUNT		CURRENT ACCOUNT	NYI ACCOUNT	KIDS CHURCH ACCOUNT	SAVINGS ACCOUNT
Balance Brought Forward	6,419.73	1,991.75	(16.46)	39,295.88		5,560.84	1,991.75	(514.49)	39,532.19
Monthly Transactions	(858.89)		(518.03)			(1,412.26)			
Transferred from Current Account			20.00	100.00				20.00	100.00
Interest Earned				136.31					
	5,560.84	1,991.75	(514.49)	39,532.19		4,148.58	1,991.75	(494.49)	39,632.19
		1,477.26					1,497.26		
February 2024					March 2024				
	CURRENT ACCOUNT	NYI ACCOUNT	KIDS CHURCH ACCOUNT	SAVINGS ACCOUNT		CURRENT ACCOUNT	NYI ACCOUNT	KIDS CHURCH ACCOUNT	SAVINGS ACCOUNT
Balance Brought Forward	4,148.58	1,991.75	(494.49)	39,632.19		2,439.36	1,991.75	(474.49)	39,732.19
Monthly Transactions	(1,709.22)					2,305.17			(6,000.00)
Transferred from Current Account			20.00	100.00				20.00	100.00
Interest Earned									148.00
	2,439.36	1,991.75	(474.49)	39,732.19		4,744.53	1,991.75	(454.49)	33,980.19
		1,517.26					1,537.26		
April 2024					May 2024				
	CURRENT ACCOUNT	NYI ACCOUNT	KIDS CHURCH ACCOUNT	SAVINGS ACCOUNT		CURRENT ACCOUNT	NYI ACCOUNT	KIDS CHURCH ACCOUNT	SAVINGS ACCOUNT
Balance Brought Forward	4,744.53	1,991.75	(454.49)	33,980.19		5,136.61	1,991.75	(522.31)	31,080.19
Monthly Transactions	392.08		(87.82)	(3,000.00)		3,949.55			
Transferred from Current Account			20.00	100.00				20.00	100.00
Interest Earned									
	5,136.61	1,991.75	(522.31)	31,080.19		9,086.16	1,991.75	(502.31)	31,180.19
		1,469.44					1,489.44		
June 2024					July 2024				
	CURRENT ACCOUNT	NYI ACCOUNT	KIDS CHURCH ACCOUNT	SAVINGS ACCOUNT		CURRENT ACCOUNT	NYI ACCOUNT	KIDS CHURCH ACCOUNT	SAVINGS ACCOUNT
Balance Brought Forward	9,086.16	1,991.75	(502.31)	31,180.19		8,201.22	1,991.75	(482.31)	37,403.12
Monthly Transactions	(884.94)					(1,088.39)			
Transferred from Current Account			20.00	6,100.00				20.00	100.00
Interest Earned				122.93					
	8,201.22	1,991.75	(482.31)	37,403.12		7,112.83	1,991.75	(462.31)	37,503.12
		1,509.44					1,529.44		
August 2024					September 2024				
	CURRENT ACCOUNT	NYI ACCOUNT	KIDS CHURCH ACCOUNT	SAVINGS ACCOUNT		CURRENT ACCOUNT	NYI ACCOUNT	KIDS CHURCH ACCOUNT	SAVINGS ACCOUNT
Balance Brought Forward	7,112.83	1,991.75	(462.31)	37,503.12		7,359.21	1,991.75	(442.31)	37,603.12
Monthly Transactions	246.38					(399.52)			
Transferred from Current Account			20.00	100.00				20.00	100.00
Interest Earned				135.59					135.59
	7,359.21	1,991.75	(442.31)	37,603.12		6,959.69	1,991.75	(422.31)	37,838.71
		1,549.44					1,569.44		