



## **CORNERSTONE CHURCH (BOURNEMOUTH)**

### **REPORT**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED**

**31<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2024**



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# CORNERSTONE CHURCH

## CHARITY INFORMATION

The Trustees	Mr Toby Butler (until May 2024) Mrs Susan Frewin (until January 2024) Mr David Fleming (until March 2024) Mrs Lianne Hart (from January 2024) Mrs Emma Taylor (from January 2024) Mr Linford Dunstan (from September 2024) Mr Jonathan Irwin-Sawdon (from September 2024)
Secretary	Mr David Parish
Treasurer	Mr Ian Collier (March till September 2024) Mrs Christina Cashell (from September 2024) Mr David Fleming (until March 2024)
Principal office address	Cornerstone Church Holloway Avenue Bournemouth Dorset BH11 9JR
Registered Charity Number	1163367
Inland Revenue charity number	X95938
Independent Examiner	Mrs Sue Wintle, Oak Accounting
Bank	CAF Bank Ltd, 25 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill West Malling Kent ME19 4JQ

# **CORNERSTONE CHURCH**

## **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**

### **For the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024**

The Trustees have pleasure in presenting their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2024.

#### **Structure, governance and management**

##### **Governing Document**

Cornerstone Church is a self-governing, self-financing congregation within the Baptist Union of Great Britain. The decision-making body, being the Church Meeting, comprises all the members of the Church, and is governed in accordance with the constitution adopted on 25<sup>th</sup> September 2014 (and registered with the Charity Commission on 26<sup>th</sup> October) as part of the process to register with the Charity Commission in accord with the revised rules set out in the Charities Act 2011.

##### **Organisational structure**

The Church membership appoints Ministers, Elders, a Church Secretary, a Treasurer and Trustees to oversee the running of the affairs of the church. The individuals holding these posts also act as Trustees of the charity.

Toby & Hannah Butler left as joint church leaders in May 2024. An Interim Leadership Team was set up, led by the Church Secretary. The process of looking for a new minister was initiated without delay, assisted by the Regional Minister, Rev. Simon Gray.

Christina Cashell works 2 days a week as our Administrator. Libby Marlow, our Children's Worker, continued working two days a week. A new Youth Worker, Charlotte Croucher began in January and left at the end of December.

All the other Trustees and office bearers are non-stipendiary.

Our treasurer, David Fleming, resigned in March – Ian Collier took over until September, when the role was taken on by Christina Cashell on a voluntary basis.

Over 25 members (who are not trustees) operate as volunteers.

##### **Recruitment and appointment of new trustees**

Ministers, Secretary, and Treasurer are all Trustees of the charity, and their appointment is approved by the membership at an Ordinary Members' Meeting, as and when required. Additionally, we have a non-trustee Elder.

#### **Objectives and activities**

Cornerstone Church is a fellowship of Christian people affiliated to the Baptist Union of Great Britain. The mission of the church is summarised by the following statement:

"The principal purpose of the Church is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination. The Church may also advance education and carry out other charitable purposes in the United Kingdom and/or other parts of the world."

#### **Public Benefit**

In undertaking the planning of the many activities undertaken during this year, we have taken into account the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit and in particular in

relation to the guidance relating to the advancement of religion. We have sought to ensure that all our activities are available and open to the whole community in which we serve, both in the provision of services of worship, and in provision of community activity and support.

### **Reviewing Progress in Relation to Priorities Identified Last Year (2023)**

#### **The priorities identified at the end of 2023 were as follows:**

1. To keep our eyes focused on Jesus, lifting Him high above all else.
2. Maintain a regular rhythm of prayer & worship.
3. Grow as a church, as disciples and missionaries - missional disciples, seeing growth in depth and new people coming to Christ.
4. To continue to grow a strong children's ministry, led by our Children's ministry lead and supported by a growing team.
5. To continue to run all of our youth activities, possibly starting new ones and see more young people come to know Jesus and grow in their relationship with Him.
6. To take the young people to Satellites in Summer 2024 and support them in doing this, before and after the event.
7. To develop a strong leadership team in the first half of the year, ready to take on the challenge of a pastoral vacancy for the second half of the year.
8. Develop those with leading and preaching skills, particularly in the younger half of the church.
9. Continue to grow strong disciples, ensuring all those who attend church are able to access a house group for regular accountability, support and spiritual growth.
10. To grow as a church family, developing skills and empowering one another in giftings.
11. To find a new church leader(s), seeking God in prayer as a church family to do this.

#### **Progress made on these priorities:**

1. Despite our joint leaders leaving in May, our membership only reduced slightly during the course of the year with some losses but also some gains.
2. Generally, all events continued at the same level after their departure, apart from Mini Mega Club (for younger children) which had to pause indefinitely in early summer due to a shortage of volunteers.
3. Weekly prayers continued to be a priority throughout 2024, with 3 to 4 sessions a week, as well as monthly Sunday evening gatherings. Prayer & worship of Jesus continues to be a priority in all that we do.
4. We were able to run a monthly Alpha course, as well as one for our youth.
5. Prayer Ministry is offered every Sunday and people will often ask for prayer. We have also prayed in groups during our Sunday gatherings and on Sunday evening gatherings and this has been much appreciated. We would like to see more coming forward for prayer.
6. Our worship team meets on Thursday evenings for prayer, worship and practice for Sunday.

7. We have seen our children and young people growing in their faith in many ways. We now have a fortnightly bible study group for our youth and one of our young people got baptised in December. Our children's groups all include time to ask questions and spend time with Jesus.
8. We look out to our community as we have events such as a Fun Day in the summer, a Messy Church Christingle, Light Party and regular all-age services. Sadly, we could not run our annual Fireworks evening as health and safety rules have changed.
9. We continued to run BLAH (Bible Learning at Home) for our 11 to 17-year-olds.
10. A new men's group, Ignite, was set up and held regular meetings.
11. Financially, we had healthy reserves in the bank at the end of the year, helped by not having to pay two salaries from May onwards, as well as due to a generous gift.
12. With the help of our Regional Minister the Church Profile (for prospective ministers to learn about our church) was completed during the summer and circulated in good time. Towards the end of the year, we appointed Rev. Ben Lucas as Moderator to guide us through the process of appointing a new minister. His assistance was greatly valued.

### **General Overview of the Year**

- In January, after a gap of four months, we welcomed a new Youth Worker. Our children's worker's hours were slightly increased. We also began to prepare for our church leaders' departure.
- In the next two months an Interim Leadership Team was set up led by the Church Secretary. We held a Mission Sunday with a focus on Ukraine – an appeal for finance raised £1400.
- Before the joint leaders left, line management of the children's worker was handed over to a church member (later in the year replaced by a trustee), and two trustees took over the line management of the youth worker and administrator.
- We have a diverse congregation in terms of nationality, age and ability, Sunday attendance being around 40 adults out of around 70 in total, with 12 children and 6 young people. Some watch the live streamed Sunday service online.
- Leadership of the Parents and Toddlers group passed to a new leader in April but with the former leader assisting.
- Toby and Hannah Butler, the joint leaders, left in May, trustees and volunteers stepping up to continue to run the church effectively.
- The manse next door was let out in June under a six-month Assured Shorthold Tenancy agreement which brought in rental income as well as removing the liability for council tax.
- As usual, we had gatherings on Good Friday and again on Easter Sunday with an Easter egg hunt beforehand.
- We held our annual Family Fun Day in August, with up to several hundred people attending. Many from the church volunteered to make it a great success.

- We held the usual Messy Church Light Party in October for local families, which was well attended and enjoyed.
- Over the course of 2024 we held several all-age gatherings, led by members of our church family. These begin with a breakfast and are well attended and received by all ages, some of whom only attend church on these all-age Sundays.
- Christmas events included as usual the Carols by Candlelight service, and the Messy Nativity, which was attended by around 60 children and adults.

### **Activities mainly geared towards adults**

We welcome allcomers to our activities – not just those otherwise involved with the church. All our activities were supported by our placement students from [Moorlands College](#).

- Our Tuesday Sports Group continues successfully – numbers were as high as 20 (often 15) but can vary. The more active sports are table tennis and badminton, but there is pool and table games, so all abilities are catered for. Voluntary contributions add to church funds.
- The informal Wednesday morning café continues to be well supported, especially by the more elderly. One café morning was held in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support. It is followed later in the morning by a keep-fit session.
- The Wednesday afternoon Open Door group for over-50s is attended by some from other local churches. The group went on a holiday together.
- Women's Wellbeing runs on Friday mornings in term time attended by around 15 – it is lots of fun with widely varying activities, and spans generations. At Christmas time around 45 attended for wreath-making. As it was run by one of the joint leaders (till she left) there was a need to hand it over to a volunteer, but this went seamlessly. There was also a monthly Alpha course for those seeking to explore matters around faith.
- The men have their own Ignite group which meets regularly for a friendly chat and Christian fellowship.
- House groups – where the bible and related topics are discussed, and prayed over, continue to be held, usually every two weeks.

### **Activities geared mainly towards children and young people**

- The Parents and Toddlers group continued to be highly successful, despite the change of leader during the course of the year (the church leader who left in May helped out). The previous leader had been running it for over 20 years. More help is still needed. It provides a great service to the community, attended by both new people and regulars. Activities varied from being able to go outside to enjoy a new gazebo in summer to a bring-and-share lunch toward the end of the year.
- Children's work continues to thrive, led by our Children's Worker, Libby. More volunteer help is needed, however, especially on Sundays. There were two community events during the year – a Light Party at the end of October and a 'Messy Church Nativity' in Advent. Links with local schools were initiated.

Mini Mega Club (ages 4-7) was initially paused in the summer, then discontinued for the time

being, due to lack of volunteers.

Mega Club (ages 7-11) was attended mostly by children with no connection to the church, numbers being frequently over 20 on a Friday evening, and helpers have to sometimes deal with challenging behaviour. Activities varied from dodgeball to looking at simple faith questions. There was also a bowling evening. On Easter Sunday an egg hunt in the grounds was thoroughly enjoyed.

These children sometimes joined in Sunday sung worship and would attend for the occasional all-age gatherings, otherwise they would go out to Kids' Church.

- Regarding youth activities, a new employed youth leader, Charlotte, began in January. The number of volunteers quickly grew to 13, and they would meet each term for a social evening and a separate Vision Evening. Relationships were built with a local secondary school in partnership with [PACE](#).
- On Friday evenings attendance at Youth Club (ages 11-17) rose during the year to 25-30 and continued to grow - a full programme with a wide range of activities. Some of the older ones would help and take responsibility.
- On Sunday mornings, as many as 8 would attend, and on occasion, youth would be involved in music worship.
- On Tuesdays after school a drop-in was set up where young people would prepare, then eat, a meal and clear up afterwards.
- There was a full programme of Christmas activities.
- A group of young people attended the national Satellites Christian Youth Camp in August (along with thousands of others). This is camping with seminars to attend. There was a fundraising Quiz Night to enable as many as possible to attend.

### **Maintaining the provision of facilities at Cornerstone Church**

The church relies on volunteers to deal with a number of housekeeping tasks but employs the following contractors on a regular basis:

- a) Leaf Contract Clean continue to do our weekly four-hour clean.
- b) Ace of Spades mows the lawn on a fortnightly basis.
- c) Canford Drains deal with drain problems
- d) DFP Global maintain fire precaution equipment
- e) Giles Heating maintain all gas installations
- f) NICEIC inspect electrical systems
- g) Additional contractors are employed on an ad hoc basis as required.

### **Links with other Community Agencies**

It has been encouraging to receive positive feedback on our activities during the year from



the community, schools and community organisations, and to continue to be recognised as being active in supporting the local community.

Before Christmas, the church supported the “Samaritan’s Purse” charity by purchasing shoe boxes for members to fill with toys and gifts for distribution to needy children in various countries around the world.

The church continued to support the Kinson Food Bank based at St. Andrew’s Church by referring suitable cases and issuing vouchers.

A coffee morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support was held

We allow the hire of parts of the building to known organisations such as Narcotics Anonymous – this generates income. It is also hired to known and trusted individuals.

The Kinson MSDC dancing group hired the hall throughout 2024 as in previous years.

A weekly badminton group hires the hall every Monday.

### **Looking Ahead**

As we have no minister, our 2025 priorities are based on those for 2024:

1. To keep our eyes focused on Jesus, lifting Him high above all else.
2. Maintain a regular rhythm of prayer & worship.
3. Grow as a church, as disciples and missionaries - missional disciples, seeing growth in depth and new people coming to Christ.
4. To continue to grow a strong children’s ministry, led by our Children’s ministry lead and supported by a growing team.
5. To continue to run all our youth activities, expanding them if possible and to see more young people come to know Jesus and grow in their relationship with Him.
6. To take the young people to Satellites in Summer 2025 and support them in doing this, before and after the event.
7. To effectively continue leadership with the increased number of trustees until the pastoral vacancy is filled.
8. Develop those with skills such as leading and preaching, with emphasis on the younger people in the church.
9. Continue to grow strong disciples, ensuring all those who attend church can access a house group for regular fellowship, support and spiritual growth.
10. To grow together as a church family, developing skills, encouraging more to volunteer and empowering one another in giftings.
11. To find a new church leader (or leaders), seeking God prayerfully as a church family to achieve this.
12. We will have to budget for the renovation of the church manse to bring it up to date for a new minister and family.

## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 1st January 2024	Period end date 31st December 2024
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### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Designated funds to nearest £	Restricted Funds to nearest £	Total funds to nearest £	Last year to nearest £	Notes
<b>A1 Receipts</b>						
Income from Offerings & Gift Aid	117,642	-	-	117,642	70,553	2 (ii)
Tax Recovery	13,845	-	-	13,845	12,255	
Cafe	3,091	-	-	3,091	3,256	
Other Income	21,293	-	3,000	24,293	23,417	
Building/ Development Fund	-	-	-	-	2,520	2 (ii)
Income received and paid out to others	-	-	2,008	2,008	149	2 (iii)
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>155,870</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,008</b>	<b>160,878</b>	<b>112,150</b>	
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>						
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>£155,870</b>	<b>£0</b>	<b>£5,008</b>	<b>£160,878</b>	<b>£112,150</b>	
<b>A3 Payments</b>						
Ministers' expenses	26,366	-	-	26,366	46,051	
Administration:	20,249	-	-	20,249	18,782	
Children's Ministry	27,701	-	-	27,701	16,355	
Evangelism	528	-	-	528	735	
Premises	21,640	-	-	21,640	22,415	
Ministry	1,529	-	-	1,529	734	
Missionary support	-	9,979	-	9,979	6,850	2 (ii)
Music Group	-	-	-	-	-	
Other Exp.	-	-	3,115	3,115	1,185	
Building/ Development Fund	-	-	-	-	-	2 (ii)
Payment of income received for others	-	-	-	-	-	2 (iii)
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>98,014</b>	<b>9,979</b>	<b>3,115</b>	<b>111,109</b>	<b>113,108</b>	
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>						
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>£98,014</b>	<b>£9,979</b>	<b>£3,115</b>	<b>£111,109</b>	<b>£113,108</b>	
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>57,856</b>	<b>- 9,979</b>	<b>1,893</b>	<b>49,770</b>	<b>- 958</b>	
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>69,309</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>69,309</b>	<b>70,267</b>	
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>127,165</b>	<b>-£9,979</b>	<b>£1,893</b>	<b>£119,079</b>	<b>£69,309</b>	

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

Categories	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted Funds to nearest £	Total funds to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>					
CAFbank	82,239	-	-	82,239	22,644
Redwood Bank	-	-	-	-	-
Baptist Together/ Loans Fund	36,211	-	-	36,211	45,288
Cash in hand	886	-	-	886	1,375
Petty Cash	3	-	-	3	3
Lloyds	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>£119,339</b>	<b>£0</b>	<b>£0</b>	<b>£119,339</b>	<b>£69,310</b>



	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Designated funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>				
		£0	£0	£0

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Designated funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>				
		£0	£0	£0

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Designated funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
<b>B4 Assets retained for charity's own</b>				
Church Buildings	At Insurance Valuation		1,781,346	1,724,454
Church Manse	At Insurance Valuation		437,500	332,776
Church Contents	At estimated realisable value	82,215		8,000
<b>Total Capital Asset Value</b>		<b>£82,215</b>	<b>£2,218,846</b>	<b>£2,065,230</b>

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Designated funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>				
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Signed by two Trustees on behalf of all the Trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	D. R. PARISH	21/04/2025
	E.S. Kenneth-Taylor	21/04/2025



## 1 Accounting Policies

- The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011, on the Receipts and Payments basis.

- Grants, gifts and donations were made to various organisations in the furtherance of the charity's objectives. Monies donated from general funds to Missionary causes are detailed below. Monies received for specific causes are held in a Restricted Fund pending remittance of monies to the appropriate beneficiary.

- Assets and property, which are retained for or are occupied by Church purposes and which are non-investment assets, are valued at insured values and are listed on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities as non-monetary assets.

(i) **UNRESTRICTED FUNDS** may be used by the Church for any of its ordinary purposes. The movement in the funds are given in the Receipts & Payments Account

- (ii) **DESIGNATED FUNDS** represent funds set aside by the Trustees, out of ordinary unrestricted general funds, for specific purposes or projects, but they can be transferred back into general funds at any time.

(iii) **RESTRICTED FUNDS** represent donations or grants received or invited for specific purposes. Any balance remaining unspent must be carried forward as a balance on that fund and cannot be absorbed into general funds.

### 3 Sundry Accounts

### Sundry Funds held by connected Groups and Funds

21/04/2025



## Cornerstone Church, Bournemouth

Notes to Financial Statements for year ended 31st December 2024

### 4 Analysis of Receipts and Payments Items

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Designated funds to nearest £	Restricted Funds to nearest £	Total funds to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
<b>Receipts</b>					
Offerings (non- Gift-aided)	88,685	-	-	88,685	32,281
Gift Aided Donations	28,957	-	-	28,957	38,272
Tax Recovery	13,845	-	-	13,845	12,255
Rents	11,016	-	-	11,016	6,909
Interest	1,523	-	-	1,523	1,510
Café	3,091	-	-	3,091	3,256
Other Income	8,754	-	3,000	11,754	14,998
Development Fund	-	-	-	-	2,520
Income received to pay to others	-	-	2,008	2,008	149
<b>Total income</b>	<b>£155,870</b>	<b>£0</b>	<b>£5,008</b>	<b>£160,878</b>	<b>£112,150</b>

#### Payments

##### Ministers' Expenses:

Salary, Pension & NI	23,543	-	-	23,543	42,050
Pension Deficit Contribution	10	-	-	10	12
Car Allowance	3	-	-	3	364
Conferences & Book Allowance	-	-	-	-	737
Council Tax	812	-	-	812	1,946
Manse Water/ Sewage/ Insurance	1,998	-	-	1,998	943
<b>Total</b>	<b>26,366</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>26,366</b>	<b>46,052</b>

##### Administration:

Postage & Stationery	474	-	-	474	386
Fees & Subscriptions	2,204	-	-	2,204	2,433
Household Goods	3,604	-	-	3,604	3,424
Sundries	1,329	-	-	1,329	4
Administrator Salary, Pension & NI	10,196	-	-	10,196	9,657
Event & Activities expenditure	2,442	-	-	2,442	2,878
<b>Total</b>	<b>20,249</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>20,249</b>	<b>18,782</b>

##### Children's Ministry

Youth Worker	14,329	-	-	14,329	14,474
Children's Worker	9,423	-	-	9,423	-
Youth & Children's Work	2,409	-	-	2,409	-
Offsite events/festivals	704	-	-	704	99
Children's worker travel, training etc	22	-	-	-	-
Youth & Childrens Outreach	815	-	-	815	1,783
<b>Total</b>	<b>27,701</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>27,679</b>	<b>16,356</b>

##### Evangelism Group

General Evangelism	528	-	-	528	735
<b>Total</b>	<b>528</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>528</b>	<b>735</b>

##### Premises Group

Electricity	1,934	-	-	1,934	4,686
Gas	2,702	-	-	2,702	1,627
Water & Sewerage	561	-	-	561	2,478
Church Insurance	2,193	-	-	2,193	2,279
Telephone	462	-	-	462	406
Cleaning	2,916	-	-	2,916	2,597
Repair & Maintenance	7,213	-	-	7,213	6,658
Buildings & Equipment	3,660	-	-	3,660	1,685
<b>Total</b>	<b>21,640</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>21,640</b>	<b>22,416</b>

##### Ministry Group

Visiting Ministry/ Moorlands	874	-	-	874	-
Teaching Materials	131	-	-	131	191
Training/ Retreats	400	-	-	400	480
Pastoral	124	-	-	124	63
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,529</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,529</b>	<b>734</b>

##### Missionary Group

Home Mission	-	3,120	-	3,120	2,200
BMS	-	3,120	-	3,120	2,200
Other Mission Support	-	3,740	-	3,740	2,450
<b>Total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9,979</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9,979</b>	<b>6,850</b>

##### Other Expenditure

Building/ Development Fund	-	-	3,115	3,115	1,185
Income paid out to others	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>98,014</b>	<b>9,979</b>	<b>3,115</b>	<b>111,087</b>	<b>113,110</b>

### 5 Paid Employees

	This year to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
Gross Salary, NIC & pension costs	57,492	66,180
Pension Deficit Contributions	10	12
<b>Total Staff Costs</b>	<b>57,502</b>	<b>66,192</b>
Average number of employees for the year	3.83	3.58

1<sup>st</sup> April 2025

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## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS**

**Report to the Trustees of Cornerstone Church, on accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024**

### **Respective responsibilities of Trustees and examiner**

The Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Act);
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Act), and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### **Basis of independent examiner's statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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**

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the Trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that:
  - a. Proper accounting records are kept (in accordance with section 41 of the Act); and
  - b. Accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act; or
2. To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed...*Sue W*.....

Date... 1/4/2025.....

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