

Trustees' Annual Report for the period						
From	Period start date			To	Period end date	
	Day 01	Month 04	Year 2024		Day 31	Month 03

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	Sladebrook Evangelical Church
Other names charity is known by	Sladebrook Church
Registered charity number (if any)	1163375
Charity's principal address	239 Englishcombe Lane
	BATH
	BA2 2ER

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Paul Brind			
2	Timothy Tappenden			
3	Christopher Martin	Chair		
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by existing trustees

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The object of the CIO is, for the public benefit, the advancement of the Christian faith in Somerset and such other parts of the United Kingdom as the charity trustees may from time to time decide.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The church at Sladebrook exists to:

- Promote the Christian faith within our immediate area
- Provide opportunities for people to gather to worship
- Assist understanding of the faith through teaching of the Bible
- Support outreach and missionary work in our local area, more broadly across the UK, and also around the world

The trustees have these objectives in mind when considering and planning activities, giving consideration to the Charity Commission’s guidance on public benefit and in particular the advancement of religion.

The main activities of the charity towards these goals are:

- Christian services held weekly for the local community, including the main Sunday morning worship service and various prayer meetings.
- Weekly home groups for prayer, Bible study and discussion.
- Seasonal special events (e.g. Christmas and Easter)
- Weekly coffee morning
- Building awareness of Christian ministries in the UK and overseas through visiting speakers and video/DVD, and supporting these ministries by prayer and financial gifts.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The pattern of our Sunday morning services has continued as before, with the formal service time preceded by an opportunity to welcome visitors and talk over a cup of coffee. The monthly Cafe Church format has enabled us to be more informal and allows for varied presentations and speakers, as well as discussion of issues raised in an informal setting. Our regular mid-week gatherings have included home groups (supporting one another in fellowship and prayer, alongside Bible study) and an online prayer meeting (seeking God's guidance and help both locally and for the wider world situation). The weekly coffee morning at the church has welcomed folk from the wider community for a time of chatting and friendship. A monthly Men's Group has explored various topics and provided further opportunity for mutual support and encouragement. The bi-monthly Messy Church afternoon has seen children and their parents take part in various craft activities, listen to a story from the Bible, and then share a hot meal together.

The major development for Sladebrook this year was the appointment of a new pastor, who has moved to Bath and started working on our revitalisation project with support from our brothers and sisters at Widcombe Baptist Church. This will come to fruition on September 2025 and has brought a fresh sense of excitement and optimism about the future.

Overall giving through the year increased slightly, and was also bolstered by Gift Aid and generous gifts from Widcombe Baptist Church towards the cost of employing our new pastor. These costs were frontloaded as the church paid for a house rental up-front, but this will not be a recurring cost. Other expenditure stayed broadly the same, and we were again able to support Genesis Trust (working with the homeless and disadvantaged in Bath) and Lux Youth Project, as well as national Christian charities such as Tearfund and the Bible Society. We also continued to have a monthly collection of food items which were donated to the Bath Foodbank.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The church does not have a formal policy on reserves, but aims to keep sufficient funds in the General Fund to support expected expenditure for the next few months. Reserves are allowed to accumulate when exceptional future expenditure is anticipated.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F

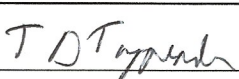
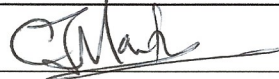
Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	TIMOTHY DESMOND TAPPIN	CHRISTOPHER JOHN MARTIN
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)		CHAIR
Date	21/1/2025	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Sladebrook Evangelical Church

No (if any)
1163375

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
01/04/2024

To

Period end date
31/03/2025

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Voluntary giving	26,731	-	-	26,731	24,961
Income tax refunds	8,708	-	-	8,708	-
Interest income	1,548	-	-	1,548	981
Gift from Widcombe Baptist Church	13,109	-	-	13,109	-
Room hire	575	-	-	575	500
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	50,671	-	-	50,671	26,442
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	50,671	-	-	50,671	26,442
A3 Payments					
Heat and light	2,343	-	-	2,343	3,365
Insurance	1,711	-	-	1,711	1,710
Water rates	184	-	-	184	178
Cleaning	1,938	-	-	1,938	2,026
Preachers expenses	2,165	-	-	2,165	2,350
Sundry operating expenses	1,426	-	-	1,426	3,638
Support of Christian ministries and relief	9,086	-	-	9,086	9,125
Repairs and maintenance	592	-	-	592	-
Pastor salary and expenses	34,887	-	-	34,887	-
Rounding error	-	-	-	-	1
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	54,331	-	-	54,331	22,393
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	54,331	-	-	54,331	22,393
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 3,660	-	-	- 3,660	4,049
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	94,933	-	-	94,933	90,884
Cash funds this year end	91,273	-	-	91,273	94,933

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	General Fund	9,054	-	-
	Church Worker Fund	80,495	-	-
	Maintenance & Decoration Fund	1,724	-	-
	Total cash funds	91,273	-	-
CCXX R1 accounts (SS)		OK	OK	OK
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))				



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

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

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

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

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	P.M. BRIND	21. 9. 2025
	T D APPENDER	21/9/2025



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

SLADEBROOK EVANGELICAL CHURCH

On accounts for the year
ended

31 MARCH 2025

Charity no
(if any)

1163375

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 / 03 / 2024**.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 (~~other than that disclosed below~~ *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Keith E. Gammon.

Date:

10/11/2025.

Name:

KEITH E. GAMMON.

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

Address:

34, SOUTHSTOKE ROAD
COMBE DOWN
BATH, BA2 5SN.

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.