



# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date			Period end date				
From	Day 02	Month January	Year 2023	To	Day 01	Month January	Year 2024

## Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Church About the Dale

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1163531

Charity's principal address

The Vicarage,

Patrick Brompton,

Bedale.

Postcode

DL8 1JN

### 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	Kathleen Wood			The Trustees
2	Chris Lawton			The Trustees
3	Andrew Maude			The Trustees
4	Penelope Yeadon			Ex-Officio – Wensley Deanery
5	Michael Hepper			The Trustees
6	Jeremy Burchill			The Trustees
7	Rowland Dent			Ex-Officio – North Yorkshire Dales Methodist Circuit
8	Gareth Baron			Ex-Officio – Ripon and Lower Dales Methodist Circuit
9	Rob Mathews			Ex-Officio – Wensley Deanery
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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
NA	

### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
NA		

### 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)

The current Trustee appointments have been and are to be made by the Trustee body, in line with ex officio and skill requirements.

### 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.

The trustees are aware of the significant need to build up enough reserves to cover the cost of replacing the trailer at the end of its working life. Reserves in the accounts seek to inter alia reflect the estimated depreciation on the trailer over its remaining useful life.

## Section C Objectives and activities

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

- (1) to advance the Christian religion in Wensleydale and elsewhere in the UK for the benefit of the public through the holding of prayer meetings, lectures, public celebration of religious festivals, producing and/or distributing literature on Christianity to enlighten others about the Christian religion
- (2) for the benefit of persons in Wensleydale and elsewhere in the UK to relieve poverty, sickness and distress particularly by providing information, advice and support to persons faced with rural isolation and poverty.



**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)**

- (i) Continuing a distinctive presence at public events within the Wensleydale area, where people will know that they can access pastoral support
  - (ii) Providing information relating to both secular and church established support services;
  - (iii) Lending a listening ear to those experiencing any of the issues associated with social isolation or indeed any other life difficulty; and
  - (iv) Proclaiming the Christian faith in a contextually relevant manner at a wide range of open-air public events.
- The Trustees kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when planning our activities for the period under review. As a matter of course, reference was made to our agreed objectives to aid decision making.
- The charity does not make grants.
- All work on behalf of the charity has been undertaken exclusively to unremunerated volunteers, who are reimbursed expenses if claimed.

### **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 trailer is normally used to take the project around communities within the Charity's sphere of operation.

The 2023 season saw us back at our usual shows including

The Wensleydale Show  
Reath Show  
Hunton Steam Gathering  
Masham Sheep Fair  
Eggelston Fair



Along with supporting church outreach services on a number of occasions sadly Semerwater Beach Service was rained off.

The trustees continue to develop and extend the deployment of the project.

## Section E

## Financial review

**Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves**

We continue to build up a capital reserve (a) equal to six months operational expenditure, and (b) to meet the anticipated cost of replacing vehicles and other equipment at the end of their useful life.

**Details of any funds materially in deficit**

None

### 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.

The Charity's principal source of funds has been donations from local church bodies and individual supporters.

## 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)

Andrew A. Maudie



Full name(s)

ANDREW A MAUDIE

ROD LAWTON

Position)

TRUSTEE

CHAIR

Date

26/09/2024





# RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS

Church About The Dale - Registered Charity No. 1163531

**Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2023**

## Receipts and Payments Accounts

	£
<b>RECEIPTS</b>	
Wensley Deanery Synod	1,000
Donations	40
<b>Total receipts</b>	<u>1,040</u>
 <b>PAYMENTS</b>	
Insurance	625
Web domain renewal	86
Bank Charges	66
<b>Total payments</b>	<u>777</u>
 <b>Excess of Receipts over Payments</b>	 <b>263</b>
 Cash at bank at 1 January 2023	 <u>6,984</u>
Cash at bank at 31 December 2023	<u>7,247</u>

**Statement of Assets and Liabilities  
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023**

	Notes	£
<b>Cash Funds</b>		
Unity Trust Bank account		7,247
<b>Assets retained</b>		
Church About The Dale Trailer	1	6,577
Sound system	2	51
Generator	3	118
<b>Liabilities</b>		-
		<hr/> <b>13,992</b> <hr/>

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the receipts and Payments basis.

**Notes**

- 1 The trailer is being depreciated at an annual rate of £548 calculated over a 20-year period, ending in 2035.
- 2 The sound system is being depreciated at an annual rate of £51 calculated over a 5-year period, ending in 2024.
- 3 The generator is being depreciated at an annual rate of £118 calculated over a 5-year period, ending in 2024.