

OLD TRAFFORD CHRISTADELPHIAN CHURCH
Report of the Trustees
for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025.

The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The charity was established to advance the Bible based Christian faith to the glory of God and the honour of Jesus Christ for the benefit of the public, through the holding of meetings for worship, prayer and the preaching of the gospel, providing religious teaching and publications (both printed and electronic), the promotion of charitable works, acts of service to the community and the provision of pastoral care.

Public benefit

The charity fulfilled its public benefit aims during the year by way of its worship, prayer, preaching, and teaching in public and online. The provision of pastoral care and charitable works (including acts of service) to the local and wider community were provided during the year.

When planning activities for the year, the Trustees have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Volunteers

The trustees are grateful for the contribution made by volunteers in assisting the charity to carry out its activities. Because of the difficulties in quantifying economic value to the volunteers' time their contribution has not been included in the statement of financial activities.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

The charity has continued to preach and teach the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. At the 31 March 2025, the active church membership was 134. During the year, 2 members transferred to other churches, 7 joined from another church, 2 fell asleep in Christ and 13 were baptised.

The charity used the church building for Sunday morning and evening services in accordance with its aims and objectives. Audio visual technology continues to be used to benefit vulnerable members and non-members whose personal circumstances and health issues prevented them attending the church in person. This also benefited individuals living at a distance who could attend these services together with Bible Reading groups and Bible Study classes online via Zoom. Weekly youth clubs for junior school and senior school (and above) aged children continued to be held.

Pastoral care was provided (including financial support) to a number of the charity's members, local community charities as well as national charities.

Other weekly activities for the benefit of the local community include a Parent and Toddler group.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

The net outgoing resources of the unrestricted and restricted funds for the year amounted to £29,206 and £1,613 respectively and the total fund balance carried forward at 31 March 2025 is £30,819. The Income of the charity exceeded its expenditure by £11,707. Compared to the previous year cash funds had increased by £22,385.

The surplus has arisen from several factors particularly a significant increase in members donations and financial grants to assist with providing support such as travelling costs for new international refugee arrivals to attend church services.

Reserves policy

The reserves held are £29,206. The trustees have reviewed the reserves of the charity. This review included an assessment of the probable future levels of income and expenditure and the size and nature of the reserves.

The Trustee's view is that the investment made in digital technology as a means of how church is offered has been of benefit to the wider public as these facilities have been used to extend the reach of its services and events to international members and visitors and the virtual community across the country and internationally.

The review concluded that it was likely that there would be greater demands on the charity in the future and despite the improvement in the size of the reserves the finance team will continue to monitor church finances to meet financial calls on the charity.

FUTURE PLANS

The trustees' view is that the steps taken to increase the charities income and reduce expenditure has improved its financial position from the previous year. The church will continue to review ways to make sure it makes effective use of members donations, and explore ways of increasing the charities future income, so it can continue the works of the church for the public benefit.

Significant structural work is required to the church building to fix drainage and other issues. Plans are being considered to remodel the rear of the church in the most cost-effective manner for the charity. The Trustees in conjunction with the church elders intend to seek professional architectural information and detailed costings before seeking approval from the church members to undertake any work.

The overriding aim of any refurbishment would be to produce a larger useable space to host Bible classes and Sunday Evening Services for the public benefit. In addition, the Trustees would be looking to reduce current utility costs by making the church building more energy efficient.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The charity is a Charitable Incorporated Association, registered as a Charity, number 1166491 since 12 April 2016.

The trustees who served during the year are shown below. The trustees are appointed by the Board of Trustees. The trustees hold meetings, where they agree the charity's overall strategy and areas of activity such as preaching, worship, teaching, financial reserves, pastoral care, promotion of charitable works and acts of service.

The day-to-day administration of finances is carried out by the Finance Team. The day-to-day administration of the charity is conducted by the Church Elders.

New trustees are provided with an induction pack which contains key information about the charity.

They are also given information published by the Charity Commission on the duties and responsibilities of trustees.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number 1166491

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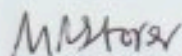
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 9 September 2025 and signed on its behalf by:



M R Storer - Trustee



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Old Trafford Christadelphian Church

No (if any)
1166491

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/04/2024	To	Period end date 31/03/2025
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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					
Donations (General Funds)	36,240	-	-	36,240	21,230
Donations (Other Funds)	-	-	-	-	-
Gift Aid (Repayment)	4,290	-	-	4,290	3,991
Church Events	1,462	-	-	1,462	1,095
CBF & CARA Grants	-	3,260	-	3,260	1,025
Miscellaneous Donations	314	500	-	814	1,831
Interest	350	-	-	350	369
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	42,656	3,760	-	46,416	29,541
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	42,656	3,760	-	46,416	29,541
A3 Payments					
Preaching & Public Outreach	1,329	-	-	1,329	974
All utility services & insurance	10,563	-	-	10,563	10,449
Loan Repayments to CHBS	1,866	-	-	1,866	1,866
Repairs & Building Expenses	4,787	-	-	4,787	5,359
Youth Church & Youth Clubs	3,077	-	-	3,077	2,783
Welfare/ Pastoral Payments	421	7,326	-	7,747	10,144
Charity Funds (Christadelphian)	1,760	-	-	1,760	1,200
Charity Funds (Non Christadelphian)	1,090	-	-	1,090	3,076
Appeals	-	-	-	-	1,500
Miscellaneous (Camps, Magazines etc)	2,490	-	-	2,490	2,868
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	27,383	7,326	-	34,709	40,219
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	27,383	7,326	-	34,709	40,219
Net of receipts/(payments)	15,273	- 3,566	-	11,707	- 10,678
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	13,933	5,179	-	19,112	29,790
Interest on cash Funds	350	-	-	350	369
Cash funds this year end	29,206	1,613	-	30,819	19,112

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				
	Triodos	16,233	1,613	-
	Virgin Money	12,973	-	-
		-	-	-

Total cash funds	29,206	1,613	-
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(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

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

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	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	Loan due to CHBS- Roof	Unrestricted	3,133	
			-	
			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on
behalf of all the trustees

Signature _____

Print Name _____

Date of approval

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Malcolm Storen

11/7/25

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Old Trafford Christadelphian Church.

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is required.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 statements below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Signed 

Date 05/07/2025