



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date
From 1st April 2024 To 31st March 2025
Period end date

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name New Milton Evangelical Free Church

Registered charity number (if any) 1168045

Charity's principal address 24-26 Whitefield Road

New Milton

Hampshire

Postcode

BH25 6DF

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	Rev S Woodcraft	Pastor & Elder		Church Members
2	Mr B Fidler	Elder		Church Members
3	Mr D White	Elder		Church Members
4	Mr A Harvey	Elder		Church Members

Names and addresses of advisers

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Independent examiner	Andrew Clark Carter & Coley Ltd Chartered Accountants & Business Advisors	3 Durrant Road, Bournemouth, Dorset, BH2 6NE

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document	CIO - ASSOCIATION REGISTERED 05 JUL 2016
How the charity is constituted	CHARITABLE TRUST
Trustee selection methods	The trustees of the Church are the Elders, who are the Pastor and other Elders. Elders are nominated by the Pastor and existing Elders, who shall bring names to a Church Business Meeting. An Elder will be elected in a secret ballot for 5 years if at least 75% of the votes recorded at the Meeting are in favour.

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.

Background

NMEFC was established as a CIO, Registered Charity No. 1168045 on 5th July 2016.

The Unincorporated Association and the new CIO were merged at the start of the 2017/18 financial year (1st April 2017) when Fixed Assets were transferred from our holding Trustees (FIEC) and Current Assets transferred from the Unincorporated Association.

Structure, governance and management

The detailed structure, governance and management details are contained in the Church Constitution. In summary: -

- a) The Trustees are the Pastor and the other church Elders.
- b) There must be at least 3 Trustees.
- c) The Trustees shall have the general control and management of the administration of the Church and may, for that purpose, exercise all the powers of the Church subject to the provisions contained in this constitution and the Church Handbook.
- d) The Charity Trustees must hold at least 4 meetings in each 12-month period.
- e) Quarterly Members' meetings are held to keep members informed and to be involved in major decisions.

Governing Documentation:

1. Church Constitution dated 17th May 2016 with amendments dated 3rd February 2023.
2. Church Handbook (Rules) dated 17th May 2016 with amendments dated 24th January 2023.
3. Charity Commission Registration 5th July 2016.
4. Deed of Gift dated 18th July 1934
5. Charity Commission Scheme dated 19 July 2007

Meetings: -

Meetings cover both Church Elder and Charity Trustee responsibilities and there were 11 such meetings during the year.

The Secretarial Deacon as part of his duties attends meetings of the Church Elders / Charity Trustees.

The Church Elders / Charity Trustees are supported by a team of Deacons who serve in practical areas of church life. The Deacons meet separately under the chairmanship of the Pastor.

An Away Day was held during the year facilitating a time of discussion between Elders and Deacons.

There were 5 Church Members' Meetings during the year including the AGM. The average attendance was 39. The 5 meetings with attendance figures were: 23 April 2024 (34), 9 July 2024 (44), 8 October 2024 (37), 28 January 2025 (39) and 13 March 2025 (43).

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

The purposes of the Charity are:

- a) The advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with the Basis of Faith primarily but not exclusively within New Milton and the surrounding neighbourhood; and
- b) Such other charitable purposes as shall, in the opinion of the members of the Church in general meeting, put into practice the teaching of the Lord Jesus Christ in accordance with the Basis of Faith.

Our Sunday Services, morning (10.30am) and evening (6.00pm) have been held throughout the year. Communion is celebrated twice each month (once at 10am & once during the evening Service). An additional Communion Service was held on Maundy Thursday. We have maintained an on-line presence with our website and have also continued with our online ministry of recorded Services available via YouTube or audio on the website.

We have held occasional Sunday evening Café Free events at Bashley Village Hall, consisting of an informal Service with an invited speaker and refreshments.

The Church premises have been used for regular morning and evening mid-week prayer meetings and quarterly Members' Meetings. A week of intensive prayer meetings held in the Church premises and in the homes of members was conducted in January 2025. In seeking to encourage bible study, prayer, and fellowship amongst the congregation numbers of smaller groups meet during each month. These include monthly ladies' and men's groups, and fortnightly home groups with daytime and evening meetings to suit the congregation. Christianity Explored courses were run during the year for those enquiring about the Christian faith.

Our activities for young people on Sunday mornings are Crèche (for those under 5) and Junior Church (for ages 5 to 11), and on Sunday evenings Gravity youth group (for ages 11 to 17). We also run two mid-week clubs 'K'neked' (for school years 3-6) and K'lossal (for school year 7 upwards). Numbers of young people from these clubs attended Christian summer camps in 2024 and the church provided financial assistance to facilitate this.

Other activities during the year included occasional Church Sunday lunches, a Church barbecue, a Harvest Supper, occasional Church sports events, men's breakfasts and social evenings, ladies' breakfasts, and filling shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child.

We have sought to serve the congregation and wider community with the provision of a monthly lunch (Food4Thought), and some members are also involved in a similar venture in Burley. We have also manned a stall at community events and have worked with other evangelical churches to display a Christian witness in the town when appropriate. We have continued a monthly stall at the town's farmers market providing Christian literature and information. A team of church members have also undertaken a regular open-air witness further afield in Bournemouth town centre, working in conjunction with other evangelical churches in the area. A new venture has been the conducting of a bi-monthly afternoon Service at a residential home in Barton on Sea.

We tithe unrestricted income to support Christian work in Malawi, SE Asia, France and in local UK schools. We have an active safeguarding team to ensure the protection of children and vulnerable adults.

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)

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Our membership as at 01/04/2024 was 63 members. During the year we received 8 new members and there was one relocation. We therefore concluded the year at 31/03/2025 with 70 members. It is encouraging to report that we have continued to also see a good number of regular attendees worshipping with us.

Our Sunday Services, morning (10.30am) and evening (6.00pm) have been held throughout the year. Our Pastor has faithfully expounded God's word and has undertaken various series including the books of Habakkuk, Zechariah, Luke and 1 Timothy. Other preachers from within the membership or from other churches have also provided biblical ministry. The attendance at our Sunday Services is approximately 80-100 in the morning, and 35-50 in the evening.

We are blessed by having a gifted music team who significantly enhance our corporate worship, alongside technical and welcoming teams who facilitate Services. Upgrades have been made to some of our technical equipment and further improvements are planned. We are grateful that skilled members have significantly reduced costs in this and other practical areas of church life.

Our activities for young people on Sunday mornings are Crèche and Junior Church, and Gravity youth group on Sunday evenings. Whilst the older group is well attended, we continue to pray for more families with younger children.

We run two mid-week clubs K'neked' (for school years 3-6) meeting on Thursday evenings and K'lossal (for school year 7 upwards) meeting on Friday evenings. Both clubs have a mix of Bible teaching and activities. The aim of the clubs is to give young people a greater understanding of the Christian faith and its practical outworking, as well as providing opportunities for social interaction. There has been a reasonable attendance at both these clubs during the year and we are grateful for all our Church members who are committed to serving the youth of our congregation and community.

Our various midweek prayer meetings, bible study groups and home groups have all been generally well supported. At present we have seven home groups offering a choice of morning and evening meetings and approximately 70 adults are committed to these groups.

The monthly Food4Thought lunches have attracted approximately 30+ attendees and a similar number have attended the occasional men's and ladies' breakfasts.

Our Church Diaconate consisting of six deacons has served the congregation well in undertaking or co-ordinating key practical areas of church life. One of our deacons serves as a salaried part-time church administrator and has provided invaluable support to our Pastor as well as facilitating many church activities.

We own outright our Church premises and the Manse, which we seek to keep in good order, with regular inspections. Our deacons and members carry out maintenance in the grounds and buildings, with tradespeople employed as appropriate. Considerable expense has been incurred in improving the fencing and garden storage at the manse and significant expenditure will be incurred in the coming months as the Manse roof is replaced / repaired.

We have an ongoing programme for the protection of children and vulnerable adults including regular DBS checks overseen by our active safeguarding team. Under the Data Protection regulations, Church members and regular attendees aged 16 and over are asked to read and consider the Data Privacy Notice and to consent to what of their information can be used on Church business.

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

We aim to maintain free reserves sufficient to cover at least 3 month's general expenditure in order to give the church time to respond to unexpected needs. Our target level for the coming year 2025/26 will be increased from £30,000 to £32,500, an amount considered adequate to cover quarterly expenditure.

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.

We budget for unrestricted income and expenditure and review actual figures against the budget monthly.

Unrestricted income was £328,778 and was significantly above budget and the previous year with a large proportion of the increase due to a legacy of £202,554. However, ignoring the one-off gifts there was still an increase of £16,414 due to the generosity of the church family in their giving. Unrestricted expenditure increased by £21,601 including an extra £10,000 of missionary tithes from the legacy.

The overall surplus was £209,852 with the majority being invested in interest earning deposit accounts. As a consequence, investment income increased from £955 to £4,012.

All other unrestricted income comes from the Church family as gift-aided giving (56%), donations (17%), gift aid tax claimed back (17%), GASDS (3.6%) and the offertory box (3%).

We tithe 10% of unrestricted income, making half-yearly donations to the 4 missionaries/missions we support. This included 10% of the legacy so we were able to increase our tithes to £5,433 for each of the 4 missionaries/missions we support.

Our unrestricted expenditure areas as a proportion of the total are 51% ministry (including the Pastor's salary, expenses & accommodation); 17% missions; 12% Church premises; 9.5% discretionary expenditure; 9% administration and 2% other. Discretionary expenditure includes £7,634 on Evangelism & Outreach, an increase of 88%.

Expenditure which was not budgeted in 2024/25 included stage 1 of the replacement of the sound and video equipment in the church and a shed for the Manse at a total cost of £9,000.

Planned work on the Manse flat roofs in 2025/26 has expanded to include work covering all roofs and dormers at a total cost of £23,420.

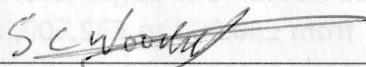
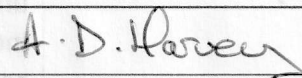
The budget for next year, from 1st April 2025 to 31st March 2026, has most income lines level, although gift aid claims will increase with a change to monthly claims and although interest rates are falling, interest will increase with the deposit accounts holding funds for the complete year.

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)	SIMEON COLIN WOODCRAFT	ALAN DOUGLAS HARVEY
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Pastor, Elder & Chair of Trustees	Elder & Trustee

Date

11/09/2025



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

New Milton Evangelical Free Church

On accounts for the year
ended

31st March 2025

Charity no

11684045

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2025.

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

The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention 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
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

Signed:

Date:

11th September
2025

Name:

Andrew A Clark FCA

Relevant professional
qualification:

Chartered Accountant

Address:

Carter & Coley, 3 Durrant Road, Bournemouth, BH2 6NE



NEW MILTON EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH		Charity No (if any)	1168045
Annual accounts for the period			
Period start date	01/04/2024	To	Period end date 31/03/2025

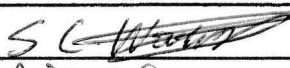
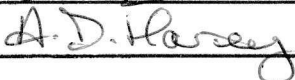
Section A

Statement of financial activities

Recommended categories by activity	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted income funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £	Restated prior year funds £
Incoming resources					
Income and endowments from:					
Offerings	3,965	-	-	3,965	4,163
Offerings (GASDS)	4,595	-	-	4,595	3,912
Gift Aided Offerings	70,952	1,948	-	72,900	63,855
Gift Aid Tax Recovered	19,137	237	-	19,374	20,987
Donations	21,296	7,055	-	28,351	24,992
Investment Income & Interest	10,386	-	-	10,386	955
Ministry Fund	-	1,000	-	1,000	100
Youth Ministry Fund	-	-	-	-	500
Legacies & Bond Sale	212,554	-	-	212,554	47,072
Total	342,885	10,240	-	353,125	166,536
Resources expended					
Expenditure on:					
Ministry Fund	65,282	3,133	-	68,415	58,098
Mission	21,818	391	-	22,209	15,200
Upkeep of Church Premises	8,755	-	-	8,755	12,887
Administration	11,370	-	-	11,370	6,313
Donations & Other Expenses	2,304	-	-	2,304	1,930
Discretionary Expenditure	12,646	2,915	-	15,561	12,300
Total	122,175	6,439	-	128,614	106,728
Net income/(expenditure) before investment gains/(losses)	220,710	3,801	-	224,511	59,808
Net gains/(losses) on investments	-	-	-	-	-
Net income/(expenditure)	220,710	3,801	-	224,511	59,808
Extraordinary items	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
Other recognised gains/(losses):					
Gains and losses on revaluation of fixed assets for the charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-
Other gains/(losses)	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	220,710	3,801	-	224,511	59,808
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward	1,772,557	603	-	1,773,160	1,713,352
Total funds carried forward	1,993,267	4,404	-	1,997,671	1,773,160

NEW MILTON EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH	Charity No	1168045
Annual accounts for the period	01/04/2024	31/03/2025
Section B Balance sheet		

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted income funds £	Endowment funds £	Total this year £	Restated prior year £
Fixed assets					
Intangible assets	-	-	-	-	-
Tangible assets	1,688,604	-	-	1,688,604	1,680,886
Heritage assets	-	-	-	-	-
Investments	-	-	-	-	-
Total fixed assets	1,688,604	-	-	1,688,604	1,680,886
Current assets					
Stocks	-	-	-	-	-
Debtors	8,738	1,129	-	9,867	4,088
Investments	-	-	-	-	10,000
Cash at bank and in hand	300,636	3,275	-	303,911	91,387
Total current assets	309,374	4,404	-	313,778	105,475
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	4,711	-	-	4,711	3,201
Net current assets/(liabilities)	304,663	4,404	-	309,067	102,274
Total assets less current liabilities	1,993,267	4,404	-	1,997,671	1,783,160
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year	-	-	-	-	-
Provisions for liabilities	-	-	-	-	-
Total net assets or liabilities	1,993,267	4,404	-	1,997,671	1,783,160
Funds of the Charity					
Endowment funds	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted income funds	-	4,404	-	4,404	-
Unrestricted funds	1,993,267	-	-	1,993,267	1,783,160
Revaluation reserve	-	-	-	-	-
Fair value reserve	-	-	-	-	-
Total funds	1,993,267	4,404	-	1,997,671	1,783,160

Signed by one or two trustees/directors on behalf of all the trustees/directors	Print Name	Date of approval dd/mm/yyyy
	Rev Simeon C Woodcraft	11/09/2025
	Alan D Harvey	11/09/2025

NEW MILTON EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH			Charity No (if any)	1168045	
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Period start date	4/1/2024	To	Period end date	3/31/2025	

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Annual accounts for the period		4/1/2024	3/31/2025

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Print Name	Date of approval dd/mm/yyyy
Rev Simeon C Woodcraft	
Alan D Harvey	

Basis of preparation

This section should be completed by all charities.

Basis of accounting

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with:

- and with* ☒ the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014
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- and with the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.*

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Going concern

If there are material uncertainties related to events or conditions that cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, please provide the following details or state "Not applicable", if appropriate:

An explanation as to those factors that support the conclusion that the charity is a going concern;

Disclosure of any uncertainties that make the going concern assumption doubtful;

Not applicable

Where accounts are not prepared on a going concern basis, please disclose this fact together with the basis on which the trustees prepared the accounts and the reason why the charity is not regarded as a going concern.

Not applicable

Change of accounting policy

The accounts present a true and fair view and the accounting policies adopted are those outlined in note 2.

Yes* ☒ No* ☒ *-Tick as appropriate

Please disclose:

<i>(i) the nature of the change in accounting policy;</i>	From cash basis to accruals basis
<i>(ii) the reasons why applying the new accounting policy provides more reliable and more relevant information; and</i>	increased income
<i>(iii) the amount of the adjustment for each line affected in the current period, each prior period presented and the aggregate amount of the adjustment relating to periods before those presented, 3.44 FRS 102 SORP.</i>	Income increased by £4,107, expenditure reduced by £7,880 in current period

Changes to accounting estimates

No changes to accounting estimates have occurred in the reporting period (3.46 FRS 102 SORP).

Yes* ☒ No* ☒ *-Tick as appropriate

Please disclose:

<i>(i) the nature of any changes;</i>	
<i>(ii) the effect of the change on income and expense or assets and liabilities for the current period; and</i>	
<i>(iii) where practicable, the effect of the change in one or more future periods.</i>	

Material prior year errors

No material prior year error have been identified in the reporting period (3.47 FRS 102 SORP).

Yes* ☒ No* ☒ *-Tick as appropriate

Please disclose:

<i>(i) the nature of the prior period error;</i>	
<i>(ii) for each prior period presented in the accounts, the amount of the correction for each account line item affected; and</i>	
<i>(iii) the amount of the correction at the beginning of the earliest prior period presented in the accounts.</i>	

Accounting policies

RECONCILIATION WITH PREVIOUS GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRACTICE

Please provide a description of the nature of each change in accounting policy

Moved from cash accounting to accruals accounting

Reconciliation of funds per previous GAAP to funds determined under FRS 102

	Start of period £
Fund balances as previously stated	101387
<i>Adjustments:</i>	
<i>Fixed assets introduced</i>	1680886
<i>Debtors</i>	4088
<i>Accruals</i>	-3201

Fund balance as restated	<u>1783160</u>
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Reconciliation of net income/(net expenditure) per previous GAAP to net income/(net expenditure) under FRS 102

	£
Net income/(expenditure) as previously stated	38447
<i>Adjustments:</i>	
<i>Gift aid</i>	4088
<i>Capitalised assets from repairs</i>	9674
<i>Movement on accruals and prepayments</i>	7599
Previous period net income/(expenditure) as restated	<u>59808</u>

Note 2

Accounting policies

2.2 INCOME

This standard list of accounting policies has been applied by the charity except for those ticked "No" or "N/a". Where a different or additional policy has been adopted then this is detailed in the box below.

Recognition of income	These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the charity becomes entitled to the resources; it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources; and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability. 	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Offsetting	There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Grants and donations	Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS102 SORP).	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Legacies	In the case of performance related grants, income must only be recognised to the extent that the charity has provided the specified goods or services as entitlement to the grant only occurs when the performance related conditions are met (5.16 FRS 102 SORP). Legacies are included in the SoFA when receipt is probable, that is, when there has been grant of probate, the executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate and any conditions attached to the legacy are either within the control of the charity or have been met.	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Government grants	The charity has received government grants in the reporting period	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Tax reclaims on donations and gifts	Gift Aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor. Any Gift Aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Contractual income and performance related grants	This is only included in the SoFA once the charity has provided the related goods or services or met the performance related conditions.	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Donated goods	Donated goods are measured at fair value (the amount for which the asset could be exchanged) unless impractical to do so.	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	The cost of any stock of goods donated for distribution to beneficiaries is deemed to be the fair value of those gifts at the time of their receipt and they are recognised on receipt. In the reporting period in which the stocks are distributed, they are recognised as an expense at the carrying amount of the stocks at distribution.	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Donated goods for resale are measured at fair value on initial recognition, which is the expected proceeds from sale less the expected costs of sale, and recognised in 'Income from other trading activities' with the corresponding stock recognised in the balance sheet. On its sale the value of stock is charged against 'Income from other trading activities' and the proceeds from sale are also recognised as 'Income from other trading activities'.	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Goods donated for on-going use by the charity are recognised as tangible fixed assets and included in the SoFA as incoming resources when receivable.	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Gifts in kind for use by the charity are included in the SoFA as income from donations when receivable.	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Donated services and facilities	Donated services and facilities are included in the SoFA when received at the value of the gift to the charity provided the value of the gift can be measured reliably.	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Donated services and facilities that are consumed immediately are recognised as income with an equivalent amount recognised as an expense under the appropriate heading in the SoFA.	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Support costs	The charity has incurred expenditure on support costs.	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Volunteer help	The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Income from interest, royalties and dividends	This is included in the accounts when receipt is probable and the amount receivable can be measured reliably.	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Income from membership subscriptions	Membership subscriptions received in the nature of a gift are recognised in Donations and Legacies.	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Memberships subscriptions which gives a member the right to buy services or other	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

	membership subscriptions which gives a member the right to buy our food or other benefits are recognised as income earned from the provision of goods and services as income from charitable activities.	<table> <tr><td>✓</td><td>✓</td><td>✓</td></tr> <tr><td>Yes</td><td>No</td><td>N/a</td></tr> </table>	✓	✓	✓	Yes	No	N/a
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Yes	No	N/a						
Settlement of insurance claims	Insurance claims are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS102 SORP) and are included as an item of other income in the SoFA.	<table> <tr><td>✓</td><td>✓</td><td>✓</td></tr> <tr><td>Yes</td><td>No</td><td>N/a</td></tr> </table>	✓	✓	✓	Yes	No	N/a
✓	✓	✓						
Yes	No	N/a						
Investment gains and losses	This includes any realised or unrealised gains or losses on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.	<table> <tr><td>✓</td><td>✓</td><td>✓</td></tr> <tr><td>Yes</td><td>No</td><td>N/a</td></tr> </table>	✓	✓	✓	Yes	No	N/a
✓	✓	✓						
Yes	No	N/a						
2.3 EXPENDITURE AND LIABILITIES								
Liability recognition	Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.	<table> <tr><td>✓</td><td>✓</td><td>✓</td></tr> <tr><td>Yes</td><td>No</td><td>N/a</td></tr> </table>	✓	✓	✓	Yes	No	N/a
✓	✓	✓						
Yes	No	N/a						
Governance and support costs	Support costs have been allocated between governance costs and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.	<table> <tr><td>✓</td><td>✓</td><td>✓</td></tr> <tr><td>Yes</td><td>No</td><td>N/a</td></tr> </table>	✓	✓	✓	Yes	No	N/a
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Yes	No	N/a						
	Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, eg allocating property costs by floor areas, or per capita, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.	<table> <tr><td>✓</td><td>✓</td><td>✓</td></tr> <tr><td>Yes</td><td>No</td><td>N/a</td></tr> </table>	✓	✓	✓	Yes	No	N/a
✓	✓	✓						
Yes	No	N/a						
Grants with performance conditions	Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service or output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specified service or output.	<table> <tr><td>✓</td><td>✓</td><td>✓</td></tr> <tr><td>Yes</td><td>No</td><td>N/a</td></tr> </table>	✓	✓	✓	Yes	No	N/a
✓	✓	✓						
Yes	No	N/a						
Grants payable without performance conditions	Where there are no conditions attaching to the grant that enables the donor charity to realistically avoid the commitment, a liability for the full funding obligation must be recognised.	<table> <tr><td>✓</td><td>✓</td><td>✓</td></tr> <tr><td>Yes</td><td>No</td><td>N/a</td></tr> </table>	✓	✓	✓	Yes	No	N/a
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Yes	No	N/a						
Redundancy cost	The charity made no redundancy payments during the reporting period.	<table> <tr><td>✓</td><td>✓</td><td>✓</td></tr> <tr><td>Yes</td><td>No</td><td>N/a</td></tr> </table>	✓	✓	✓	Yes	No	N/a
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Yes	No	N/a						
Deferred income	No material item of deferred income has been included in the accounts.	<table> <tr><td>✓</td><td>✓</td><td>✓</td></tr> <tr><td>Yes</td><td>No</td><td>N/a</td></tr> </table>	✓	✓	✓	Yes	No	N/a
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Yes	No	N/a						
Creditors	The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts	<table> <tr><td>✓</td><td>✓</td><td>✓</td></tr> <tr><td>Yes</td><td>No</td><td>N/a</td></tr> </table>	✓	✓	✓	Yes	No	N/a
✓	✓	✓						
Yes	No	N/a						
Provisions for liabilities	A liability is measured on recognition at its historical cost and then subsequently measured at the best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date	<table> <tr><td>✓</td><td>✓</td><td>✓</td></tr> <tr><td>Yes</td><td>No</td><td>N/a</td></tr> </table>	✓	✓	✓	Yes	No	N/a
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Yes	No	N/a						
Basic financial instruments	The charity accounts for basic financial instruments on initial recognition as per paragraph 11.7 FRS102 SORP. Subsequent measurement is as per paragraphs 11.17 to 11.19, FRS102 SORP.	<table> <tr><td>✓</td><td>✓</td><td>✓</td></tr> <tr><td>Yes</td><td>No</td><td>N/a</td></tr> </table>	✓	✓	✓	Yes	No	N/a
✓	✓	✓						
Yes	No	N/a						
2.4 ASSETS								
Tangible fixed assets for use by charity	These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least <input type="text"/>	<table> <tr><td>✓</td><td>✓</td><td>✓</td></tr> <tr><td>Yes</td><td>No</td><td>N/a</td></tr> </table>	✓	✓	✓	Yes	No	N/a
✓	✓	✓						
Yes	No	N/a						
	They are valued at cost.							
	The depreciation rates and methods used are disclosed in note 9.2.							
Intangible fixed assets	The charity has intangible fixed assets, that is, non-monetary assets that do not have physical substance but are identifiable and are controlled by the charity through custody or legal rights. The amortisation rates and methods used are disclosed in note 9.5	<table> <tr><td>✓</td><td>✓</td><td>✓</td></tr> <tr><td>Yes</td><td>No</td><td>N/a</td></tr> </table>	✓	✓	✓	Yes	No	N/a
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Yes	No	N/a						
	They are valued at cost.	<table> <tr><td>✓</td><td>✓</td><td>✓</td></tr> <tr><td>Yes</td><td>No</td><td>N/a</td></tr> </table>	✓	✓	✓	Yes	No	N/a
✓	✓	✓						
Yes	No	N/a						
Heritage assets	The charity has heritage assets, that is, non-monetary assets with historic, artistic, scientific, technological, geophysical or environmental qualities that are held and maintained principally for their contribution to knowledge and culture. The depreciation rates and methods used as disclosed in note 9.6.1.4.	<table> <tr><td>✓</td><td>✓</td><td>✓</td></tr> <tr><td>Yes</td><td>No</td><td>N/a</td></tr> </table>	✓	✓	✓	Yes	No	N/a
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Yes	No	N/a						
	They are valued at cost.	<table> <tr><td>✓</td><td>✓</td><td>✓</td></tr> <tr><td>Yes</td><td>No</td><td>N/a</td></tr> </table>	✓	✓	✓	Yes	No	N/a
✓	✓	✓						
Yes	No	N/a						
Investments	Fixed asset investments in quoted shares, traded bonds and similar investments are valued at initially at cost and subsequently at fair value (their market value) at the year end. The same treatment is applied to unlisted investments unless fair value cannot be measured reliably in which case it is measured at cost less impairment.	<table> <tr><td>✓</td><td>✓</td><td>✓</td></tr> <tr><td>Yes</td><td>No</td><td>N/a</td></tr> </table>	✓	✓	✓	Yes	No	N/a
✓	✓	✓						
Yes	No	N/a						
	Investments held for resale or pending their sale and cash and cash equivalents with a maturity date of less than 1 year are treated as current asset investments	<table> <tr><td>✓</td><td>✓</td><td>✓</td></tr> <tr><td>Yes</td><td>No</td><td>N/a</td></tr> </table>	✓	✓	✓	Yes	No	N/a
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Yes	No	N/a						
Stocks and work in progress	Stocks held for sale as part of non-charitable trade are measured at the lower of cost or net realisable value.	<table> <tr><td>✓</td><td>✓</td><td>✓</td></tr> <tr><td>Yes</td><td>No</td><td>N/a</td></tr> </table>	✓	✓	✓	Yes	No	N/a
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Yes	No	N/a						
	Goods or services provided as part of a charitable activity are measured at net realisable value based on the service potential provided by items of stock.	<table> <tr><td>✓</td><td>✓</td><td>✓</td></tr> <tr><td>Yes</td><td>No</td><td>N/a</td></tr> </table>	✓	✓	✓	Yes	No	N/a
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Yes	No	N/a						
	Work in progress is valued at cost less any foreseeable loss that is likely to occur on the contract.	<table> <tr><td>✓</td><td>✓</td><td>✓</td></tr> <tr><td>Yes</td><td>No</td><td>N/a</td></tr> </table>	✓	✓	✓	Yes	No	N/a
✓	✓	✓						
Yes	No	N/a						

Debtors	Debtors (including trade debtors and loans receivable) are measured on initial recognition at settlement amount after any trade discounts or amount advanced by the charity. Subsequently, they are measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be received.	Yes	No	N/a
		✓	✓	✓
Current asset investments	The charity has investments which it holds for resale or pending their sale and cash and cash equivalents with a maturity date less than one year. These include cash on deposit and cash equivalents with a maturity date of less than one year held for investment purposes rather than to meet short term cash commitments as they fall due.	Yes	No	N/a
		✓	✓	✓
	They are valued at fair value except where they qualify as basic financial instruments.	Yes	No	N/a
		✓	✓	✓

Section C	Notes to the accounts
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Details of certain items of expenditure

Fees for examination of the accounts

Please provide details of the amount paid for any statutory external scrutiny of accounts and other services provided by your independent examiner. If nothing was paid please enter '0' in the appropriate box(es).

Independent examiner's fees

Assurance services other than audit or independent examination

Tax advisory fees

Other fees (for example: financial advice, consultancy, accountancy services) paid to the independent examiner

This year £	Last year £
900	750
-	-
-	-
-	-

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Grantmaking

Please complete this note if the charity made any grants or donations which in aggregate form a material part of the charitable activities undertaken.

This year:

Analysis of grants paid (included in cost of charitable activities)

Analysis	Grants to institutions	Grants to individuals	Support costs	Total
			£	£
Lansdowne - Africa	5,910	0	0	5,910
PACE	5,433	0	0	5,433
IMJP	5,433	0	0	5,433
Frontiers	5,433	0	0	5,433
Total	22,209	-	-	22,209

Last year:**Analysis of grants paid (included in cost of charitable activities)**

Analysis	Grants to institutions	Grants to individuals	Support costs £	Total £
Lansdowne - Africa	3800	0	0	3800
PACE	3800	0	0	3800
IMJP	3800	0	0	3800
Frontiers	3800	0	0	3800
Total	15200	0	0	15200

Please enter "Nil" if the charity does not identify and/or allocate support costs.

Section C**Notes to the accounts****(cont)****Tangible fixed assets***Please complete this note if the charity has any tangible fixed assets***Cost or valuation**

	Freehold land & buildings	Other land & buildings	Plant, machinery and motor vehicles	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
At the beginning of the year	-	-	-	-	-
Additions	-	-	7,718	-	7,718
Revaluations	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
Arising on change of accounting basis	1,658,038	-	22,848	-	1,680,886
At end of the year	1,658,038	-	30,566	-	1,688,604

Depreciation and impairments

	On buildings element from 31/3/2025	SL or RB	SL from 31/03/2025	SL or RB	SL or RB
	2%		25%		
At beginning of the year	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
Depreciation	-	-	-	-	-
Impairment	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers*	-	-	-	-	-
At end of the year	-	-	-	-	-

Net book value

Net book value at the beginning of the year	-	-	-	-	-
Net book value at the end of the year	1,658,038	-	30,566	-	1,688,604

Impairment

This year: Please provide a description of the events and circumstances that led to the recognition or reversal of an impairment loss.

N/A

Last year: Please provide a description of the events and circumstances that led to the recognition or reversal of an impairment loss.

N/A

Revaluation

If an accounting policy of revaluation is adopted, please provide:

the effective date of the revaluation

the name of independent valuer, if applicable

the methods applied and significant assumptions

the carrying amount that would have been recognised had the assets been carried under the cost model.

This year	Last year
As at 31/03/2025	N/A
Internal valuation	N/A
Insurance values	N/A
-	-

Other disclosures

(i) Please state the amount of borrowing costs, if any, capitalised in the construction of tangible fixed assets and the capitalisation rate used.

(ii) Please provide the amount of contractual commitments for the acquisition of tangible fixed assets.

(iii) Details of the existence and carrying amounts of property, plant and equipment to which the charity has restricted title or that are pledged as security for liabilities.

This year	Last year
£	£
None	None
None	None
None	None

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Debtors and prepayments

Please complete this note if the charity has any debtors or prepayments.

Analysis of debtors

Trade debtors

Prepayments and accrued income

Other debtors

Total

This year	Last year
£	£
-	-
-	-
9,867	4,088
9,867	4,088

Section C**Notes to the accounts****(cont)****Creditors and accruals**

Please complete this note if the charity has any creditors or accruals.

Analysis of creditors

	Amounts falling due within one year		Amounts falling due after more than one year	
	This year £	Last year £	This year £	Last year £
Accruals for grants payable	-	-	-	-
Bank loans and overdrafts	-	-	-	-
Trade creditors	-	-	-	-
Payments received on account for contracts or performance-related grants	-	-	-	-
Accruals and deferred income	4,711	3,201	-	-
Taxation and social security	-	-	-	-
Other creditors	-	-	-	-
Total	4,711	3,201	-	-

Section C	Notes to the accounts	(cont)
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Cash at bank and in hand

Short term cash investments (less than 3 months maturity date)
Short term deposits
Cash at bank and on hand
Other
Total

This year £	Last year £
-	-
-	10,000
303,911	91,387
-	-
303,911	101,387

Transactions with trustees and related parties

If the charity has any transactions with related parties (other than the trustee expenses explained in guidance notes) details of such transactions should be provided in this note. If there are no transactions to report, please enter "True" in the box or "False" if there are transactions to report.

Trustee remuneration and benefits

This year

In the period the charity has paid trustees remuneration and benefits. Please give the amount of, and legal authority for, any remuneration or other benefits paid to a trustee by the charity or any institution or company connected with it.

Name of trustee	Legal authority (eg order, governing document)	Amounts paid or benefit value			
		Remuneration			TOTAL
		£			£
S Woodcraft	Trustee	32,478			32,478
		-			-
		-			-
		-			-

Please give details of why remuneration or other employment benefits were paid.

Paid to Pastor
N/A

Where an ex gratia payment has been made to a trustee, provide an explanation of the nature of the payment.

Last year

In the period the charity has paid trustees remuneration and benefits. Please give the amount of, and legal authority for, any remuneration or other benefits paid to a trustee by the charity or any institution or company connected with it.

Name of trustee	Legal authority (eg order, governing document)	Amounts paid or benefit value			
		Remuneration			TOTAL
		£			£
S Woodcraft	Trustee	30,669			30,669
		-			-
		-			-
		-			-

Please give details of why remuneration or other employment benefits were paid.

Paid to Pastor
N/A

Where an ex gratia payment has been made to a trustee, provide an explanation of the nature of the payment.

28.2 Trustees' expenses

If the charity has paid trustees expenses for fulfilling their duties, details of such transactions should be provided in this note. If there are no transactions to report, please enter "True" in the box below. If there are transactions to report, please enter "False".

Type of expenses reimbursed	This year	Last year
	£	£
Travel	3,626	2,736
Subsistence	-	-
Accommodation	22,003	15,166
Other (please specify):	-	-
	-	-
TOTAL	25,629	17,902

Please provide the number of trustees reimbursed for expenses or who had expenses paid by the charity

One	One
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28.3 Transaction(s) with related parties

This year

Name of the trustee or related party	Relationship to charity	Description of the transaction(s)	Amount	Balance at period end	Provision for bad debts at period end	Amounts written off during reporting period
			£	£	£	£
None						

In relation to the transactions above, please provide the terms and conditions, including any security and the nature of any payment (consideration) to be provided in settlement.

For any related party, please provide details of any guarantees given or received.

Last year

There have been no related party transactions in the reporting period (True or False)

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Name of the trustee or related party	Relationship to charity	Description of the transaction(s)	Amount	Balance at period end	Provision for bad debts at period end	Amounts written off during reporting period
			£	£	£	£

In relation to the transactions above, please provide the terms and conditions, including any security and the nature of any payment (consideration) to be provided in settlement.

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For any related party, please provide details of any guarantees given or received.

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Paid employees

Staff Costs

Salaries and wages

Social security costs

Pension costs (defined contribution scheme)

Other employee benefits

Total staff costs

This year £	Last year £
27,326	24,616
5,152	6,053
-	-
32,478	30,669

This year:

Please provide details of expenditure on staff working for the charity whose contracts are with and are paid by a related party

None

Last year:

Please provide details of expenditure on staff working for the charity whose contracts are with and are paid by a related party

None

Please give details of the number of employees whose total employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) fell within each band of £10,000 from £60,000 upwards. If there are no such transactions, please enter 'true' in the box provided.

No employees received employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) for the reporting period of more than £60,000

Band	Number of employees	
	This year	Last year
£60,000 to £69,999	Nil	Nil

Please provide the total amount paid to key management personnel (includes trustees and senior management) for their services to the charity. For specific amounts paid to trustees, see Note 28.

This year £	Last year £
-	-

Average head count in the year

The parts of the charity in which the employees work

	This year Number	Last year Number
Fundraising	-	-
Charitable Activities	1	1
Governance	-	-
Other	-	-
Total	1	1

Ex-gratia payments to employees and others (excluding trustees)

Please complete if an ex-gratia payment is made.

Please explain the nature of the payment

This year	Nil
Last year	Nil

Please state the legal authority or reason for making the payment

This year	N/A
Last year	N/A

Please state the amount of the payment (or value of any waiver of a right to an asset)

This year £	Last year £
N/A	N/a



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date
From 1st April 2024 To 31st March 2025
Period end date

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name New Milton Evangelical Free Church

Registered charity number (if any) 1168045

Charity's principal address 24-26 Whitefield Road

New Milton

Hampshire

Postcode

BH25 6DF

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	Rev S Woodcraft	Pastor & Elder		Church Members
2	Mr B Fidler	Elder		Church Members
3	Mr D White	Elder		Church Members
4	Mr A Harvey	Elder		Church Members

Names and addresses of advisers

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Independent examiner	Andrew Clark Carter & Coley Ltd Chartered Accountants & Business Advisors	3 Durrant Road, Bournemouth, Dorset, BH2 6NE

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document	CIO - ASSOCIATION REGISTERED 05 JUL 2016
How the charity is constituted	CHARITABLE TRUST
Trustee selection methods	The trustees of the Church are the Elders, who are the Pastor and other Elders. Elders are nominated by the Pastor and existing Elders, who shall bring names to a Church Business Meeting. An Elder will be elected in a secret ballot for 5 years if at least 75% of the votes recorded at the Meeting are in favour.

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.

Background

NMEFC was established as a CIO, Registered Charity No. 1168045 on 5th July 2016.

The Unincorporated Association and the new CIO were merged at the start of the 2017/18 financial year (1st April 2017) when Fixed Assets were transferred from our holding Trustees (FIEC) and Current Assets transferred from the Unincorporated Association.

Structure, governance and management

The detailed structure, governance and management details are contained in the Church Constitution. In summary: -

- a) The Trustees are the Pastor and the other church Elders.
- b) There must be at least 3 Trustees.
- c) The Trustees shall have the general control and management of the administration of the Church and may, for that purpose, exercise all the powers of the Church subject to the provisions contained in this constitution and the Church Handbook.
- d) The Charity Trustees must hold at least 4 meetings in each 12-month period.
- e) Quarterly Members' meetings are held to keep members informed and to be involved in major decisions.

Governing Documentation:

1. Church Constitution dated 17th May 2016 with amendments dated 3rd February 2023.
2. Church Handbook (Rules) dated 17th May 2016 with amendments dated 24th January 2023.
3. Charity Commission Registration 5th July 2016.
4. Deed of Gift dated 18th July 1934
5. Charity Commission Scheme dated 19 July 2007

Meetings: -

Meetings cover both Church Elder and Charity Trustee responsibilities and there were 11 such meetings during the year.

The Secretarial Deacon as part of his duties attends meetings of the Church Elders / Charity Trustees.

The Church Elders / Charity Trustees are supported by a team of Deacons who serve in practical areas of church life. The Deacons meet separately under the chairmanship of the Pastor.

An Away Day was held during the year facilitating a time of discussion between Elders and Deacons.

There were 5 Church Members' Meetings during the year including the AGM. The average attendance was 39. The 5 meetings with attendance figures were: 23 April 2024 (34), 9 July 2024 (44), 8 October 2024 (37), 28 January 2025 (39) and 13 March 2025 (43).

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

The purposes of the Charity are:

- a) The advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with the Basis of Faith primarily but not exclusively within New Milton and the surrounding neighbourhood; and
- b) Such other charitable purposes as shall, in the opinion of the members of the Church in general meeting, put into practice the teaching of the Lord Jesus Christ in accordance with the Basis of Faith.

Our Sunday Services, morning (10.30am) and evening (6.00pm) have been held throughout the year. Communion is celebrated twice each month (once at 10am & once during the evening Service). An additional Communion Service was held on Maundy Thursday. We have maintained an on-line presence with our website and have also continued with our online ministry of recorded Services available via YouTube or audio on the website.

We have held occasional Sunday evening Café Free events at Bashley Village Hall, consisting of an informal Service with an invited speaker and refreshments.

The Church premises have been used for regular morning and evening mid-week prayer meetings and quarterly Members' Meetings. A week of intensive prayer meetings held in the Church premises and in the homes of members was conducted in January 2025. In seeking to encourage bible study, prayer, and fellowship amongst the congregation numbers of smaller groups meet during each month. These include monthly ladies' and men's groups, and fortnightly home groups with daytime and evening meetings to suit the congregation. Christianity Explored courses were run during the year for those enquiring about the Christian faith.

Our activities for young people on Sunday mornings are Crèche (for those under 5) and Junior Church (for ages 5 to 11), and on Sunday evenings Gravity youth group (for ages 11 to 17). We also run two mid-week clubs 'K'neked' (for school years 3-6) and K'lossal (for school year 7 upwards). Numbers of young people from these clubs attended Christian summer camps in 2024 and the church provided financial assistance to facilitate this.

Other activities during the year included occasional Church Sunday lunches, a Church barbecue, a Harvest Supper, occasional Church sports events, men's breakfasts and social evenings, ladies' breakfasts, and filling shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child.

We have sought to serve the congregation and wider community with the provision of a monthly lunch (Food4Thought), and some members are also involved in a similar venture in Burley. We have also manned a stall at community events and have worked with other evangelical churches to display a Christian witness in the town when appropriate. We have continued a monthly stall at the town's farmers market providing Christian literature and information. A team of church members have also undertaken a regular open-air witness further afield in Bournemouth town centre, working in conjunction with other evangelical churches in the area. A new venture has been the conducting of a bi-monthly afternoon Service at a residential home in Barton on Sea.

We tithe unrestricted income to support Christian work in Malawi, SE Asia, France and in local UK schools. We have an active safeguarding team to ensure the protection of children and vulnerable adults.

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)

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Our membership as at 01/04/2024 was 63 members. During the year we received 8 new members and there was one relocation. We therefore concluded the year at 31/03/2025 with 70 members. It is encouraging to report that we have continued to also see a good number of regular attendees worshipping with us.

Our Sunday Services, morning (10.30am) and evening (6.00pm) have been held throughout the year. Our Pastor has faithfully expounded God's word and has undertaken various series including the books of Habakkuk, Zechariah, Luke and 1 Timothy. Other preachers from within the membership or from other churches have also provided biblical ministry. The attendance at our Sunday Services is approximately 80-100 in the morning, and 35-50 in the evening.

We are blessed by having a gifted music team who significantly enhance our corporate worship, alongside technical and welcoming teams who facilitate Services. Upgrades have been made to some of our technical equipment and further improvements are planned. We are grateful that skilled members have significantly reduced costs in this and other practical areas of church life.

Our activities for young people on Sunday mornings are Crèche and Junior Church, and Gravity youth group on Sunday evenings. Whilst the older group is well attended, we continue to pray for more families with younger children.

We run two mid-week clubs K'neked' (for school years 3-6) meeting on Thursday evenings and K'lossal (for school year 7 upwards) meeting on Friday evenings. Both clubs have a mix of Bible teaching and activities. The aim of the clubs is to give young people a greater understanding of the Christian faith and its practical outworking, as well as providing opportunities for social interaction. There has been a reasonable attendance at both these clubs during the year and we are grateful for all our Church members who are committed to serving the youth of our congregation and community.

Our various midweek prayer meetings, bible study groups and home groups have all been generally well supported. At present we have seven home groups offering a choice of morning and evening meetings and approximately 70 adults are committed to these groups.

The monthly Food4Thought lunches have attracted approximately 30+ attendees and a similar number have attended the occasional men's and ladies' breakfasts.

Our Church Diaconate consisting of six deacons has served the congregation well in undertaking or co-ordinating key practical areas of church life. One of our deacons serves as a salaried part-time church administrator and has provided invaluable support to our Pastor as well as facilitating many church activities.

We own outright our Church premises and the Manse, which we seek to keep in good order, with regular inspections. Our deacons and members carry out maintenance in the grounds and buildings, with tradespeople employed as appropriate. Considerable expense has been incurred in improving the fencing and garden storage at the manse and significant expenditure will be incurred in the coming months as the Manse roof is replaced / repaired.

We have an ongoing programme for the protection of children and vulnerable adults including regular DBS checks overseen by our active safeguarding team. Under the Data Protection regulations, Church members and regular attendees aged 16 and over are asked to read and consider the Data Privacy Notice and to consent to what of their information can be used on Church business.

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

We aim to maintain free reserves sufficient to cover at least 3 month's general expenditure in order to give the church time to respond to unexpected needs. Our target level for the coming year 2025/26 will be increased from £30,000 to £32,500, an amount considered adequate to cover quarterly expenditure.

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.

We budget for unrestricted income and expenditure and review actual figures against the budget monthly.

Unrestricted income was £328,778 and was significantly above budget and the previous year with a large proportion of the increase due to a legacy of £202,554. However, ignoring the one-off gifts there was still an increase of £16,414 due to the generosity of the church family in their giving. Unrestricted expenditure increased by £21,601 including an extra £10,000 of missionary tithes from the legacy.

The overall surplus was £209,852 with the majority being invested in interest earning deposit accounts. As a consequence, investment income increased from £955 to £4,012.

All other unrestricted income comes from the Church family as gift-aided giving (56%), donations (17%), gift aid tax claimed back (17%), GASDS (3.6%) and the offertory box (3%).

We tithe 10% of unrestricted income, making half-yearly donations to the 4 missionaries/missions we support. This included 10% of the legacy so we were able to increase our tithes to £5,433 for each of the 4 missionaries/missions we support.

Our unrestricted expenditure areas as a proportion of the total are 51% ministry (including the Pastor's salary, expenses & accommodation); 17% missions; 12% Church premises; 9.5% discretionary expenditure; 9% administration and 2% other. Discretionary expenditure includes £7,634 on Evangelism & Outreach, an increase of 88%.

Expenditure which was not budgeted in 2024/25 included stage 1 of the replacement of the sound and video equipment in the church and a shed for the Manse at a total cost of £9,000.

Planned work on the Manse flat roofs in 2025/26 has expanded to include work covering all roofs and dormers at a total cost of £23,420.

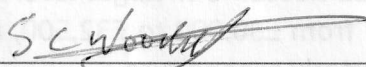
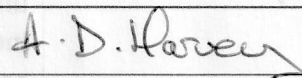
The budget for next year, from 1st April 2025 to 31st March 2026, has most income lines level, although gift aid claims will increase with a change to monthly claims and although interest rates are falling, interest will increase with the deposit accounts holding funds for the complete year.

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)	SIMEON COLIN WOODCRAFT	ALAN DOUGLAS HARVEY
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Pastor, Elder & Chair of Trustees	Elder & Trustee

Date

11/09/2025



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

New Milton Evangelical Free Church

On accounts for the year
ended

31st March 2025

Charity no

11684045

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2025.

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

The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention 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
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

Signed:

Date:

11th September
2025

Name:

Andrew A Clark FCA

Relevant professional
qualification:

Chartered Accountant

Address:

Carter & Coley, 3 Durrant Road, Bournemouth, BH2 6NE



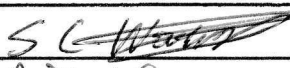
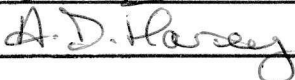
NEW MILTON EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH		Charity No (if any)	1168045
Annual accounts for the period			
Period start date	01/04/2024	To	Period end date 31/03/2025

Section A Statement of financial activities

Recommended categories by activity	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted income funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £	Restated prior year funds £
Incoming resources					
Income and endowments from:					
Offerings	3,965	-	-	3,965	4,163
Offerings (GASDS)	4,595	-	-	4,595	3,912
Gift Aided Offerings	70,952	1,948	-	72,900	63,855
Gift Aid Tax Recovered	19,137	237	-	19,374	20,987
Donations	21,296	7,055	-	28,351	24,992
Investment Income & Interest	10,386	-	-	10,386	955
Ministry Fund	-	1,000	-	1,000	100
Youth Ministry Fund	-	-	-	-	500
Legacies & Bond Sale	212,554	-	-	212,554	47,072
Total	342,885	10,240	-	353,125	166,536
Resources expended					
Expenditure on:					
Ministry Fund	65,282	3,133	-	68,415	58,098
Mission	21,818	391	-	22,209	15,200
Upkeep of Church Premises	8,755	-	-	8,755	12,887
Administration	11,370	-	-	11,370	6,313
Donations & Other Expenses	2,304	-	-	2,304	1,930
Discretionary Expenditure	12,646	2,915	-	15,561	12,300
Total	122,175	6,439	-	128,614	106,728
Net income/(expenditure) before investment gains/(losses)	220,710	3,801	-	224,511	59,808
Net gains/(losses) on investments	-	-	-	-	-
Net income/(expenditure)	220,710	3,801	-	224,511	59,808
Extraordinary items	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
Other recognised gains/(losses):					
Gains and losses on revaluation of fixed assets for the charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-
Other gains/(losses)	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	220,710	3,801	-	224,511	59,808
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward	1,772,557	603	-	1,773,160	1,713,352
Total funds carried forward	1,993,267	4,404	-	1,997,671	1,773,160

NEW MILTON EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH	Charity No	1168045
Annual accounts for the period	01/04/2024	31/03/2025
Section B Balance sheet		

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted income funds £	Endowment funds £	Total this year £	Restated prior year £
Fixed assets					
Intangible assets	-	-	-	-	-
Tangible assets	1,688,604	-	-	1,688,604	1,680,886
Heritage assets	-	-	-	-	-
Investments	-	-	-	-	-
Total fixed assets	1,688,604	-	-	1,688,604	1,680,886
Current assets					
Stocks	-	-	-	-	-
Debtors	8,738	1,129	-	9,867	4,088
Investments	-	-	-	-	10,000
Cash at bank and in hand	300,636	3,275	-	303,911	91,387
Total current assets	309,374	4,404	-	313,778	105,475
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	4,711	-	-	4,711	3,201
Net current assets/(liabilities)	304,663	4,404	-	309,067	102,274
Total assets less current liabilities	1,993,267	4,404	-	1,997,671	1,783,160
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year	-	-	-	-	-
Provisions for liabilities	-	-	-	-	-
Total net assets or liabilities	1,993,267	4,404	-	1,997,671	1,783,160
Funds of the Charity					
Endowment funds	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted income funds	-	4,404	-	4,404	-
Unrestricted funds	1,993,267	-	-	1,993,267	1,783,160
Revaluation reserve	-	-	-	-	-
Fair value reserve	-	-	-	-	-
Total funds	1,993,267	4,404	-	1,997,671	1,783,160

Signed by one or two trustees/directors on behalf of all the trustees/directors	Print Name	Date of approval dd/mm/yyyy
	Rev Simeon C Woodcraft	11/09/2025
	Alan D Harvey	11/09/2025