



# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	1	Sept	2024		31	August	2025

## Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address   
  
  
Postcode

### 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	Richard Colbrook	Chair		
2	David Wong			
3	Joshua Sheard			
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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
None	

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

Type of adviser	Name	Address
None		

### 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 the 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.

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## 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 accordance with our Statement of Faith.

The main activity is the provision of a Christian Church and associated activities.

**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 trustees of Community Church Leeds have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit when overseeing all of the activities of the charity.

The Charity's activities of the advancement of the Christian faith and associated activities are available to the people of Leeds and the wider area to make a positive contribution to the local and wider community. These activities include Sunday services, other weekly group activities, pastoral care, community work, care for the poor, supporting students and international students, supporting asylum seekers and the support of other local charities working in deprived communities through the provision of volunteers and financial giving.

**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.

**Section D**

**Achievements and performance**

## Section D

## Achievements and performance

### Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Over the last year, Community Church Leeds has continued to achieve its charitable objectives of advancing the Christian faith through Sunday services, other group activities and work in the local community.

Community has always been at the heart of who we are as Community Church Leeds. Our vision is to be:

- A church of hope for the whole city, helping people find friendship with God and discover real hope, life and adventure.
- A church of opportunity, where everyone plays a part in the community, growing individually and together into all God has made them to be.
- A church for beyond the city boundaries, as we help start similar communities of people in Yorkshire and in other nations.

We sum up who we are as a church and what is of particular importance to us through our values:

1. We are Christ centred – He is the head of the church, our saviour and our Lord and we worship him.
2. We are family – we are part of the Father's family so are relational. Community is at our heart. There's a place for everyone and all nations. Welcoming, inclusive, open, honest, caring, forgiving, serving, prayerful and giving.
3. We live in the Spirit – the life of God comes to us through the Holy Spirit. He transforms us and we experience God's love through him. He empowers our worship, prayer, ministry and mission.
4. We are founded on scripture – the Bible is our final authority in all matters of belief and practice. It is also the principal way through which God will speak to us.
5. We are apostolic – we look beyond. The church is God's vehicle for his Kingdom expansion to change the world. We look to pioneer and plant.
6. We are missional – introducing people to hope. God loves and values people so we join with Him in his mission of reaching out and transforming lives.
7. We value growth and opportunity – we are each disciples of Christ, growing in our likeness of him. There is opportunity for all to participate, carry responsibility and play our part in God's family and Kingdom expansion.
8. We have a heart for the poor – our heart mirrors God's heart for the poor – he intends for all people to flourish.

During the last 12 months we have run a Leadership Training Programme to continue to build for the future, provided opportunities to explore the Christian faith and celebrated with people as they have discovered faith for themselves and continued to grow as a church (in numbers and spiritual maturity). We have also:

- Provided pastoral care, support, community and opportunities to grow in the Christian faith for a growing number of adults, young people and children.
- Developed community groups in different parts of the city of Leeds which provide care, support and opportunities to work in and for the benefit of local communities.
- Continued to develop a missional Messy Church in Bramley as a

key step towards beginning a second congregation in the city.

- Continued to run our highly successful and important Young Adults and Students Weekend Away (YAASWA) which has become a focal point for commissioning people into the next phase of their growth in leadership.
- Supported individuals in need including helping to feed families facing deprivation.
- Developed opportunities for spiritual growth for an increasing number of people.
- Worked alongside local charities in some of the poorest areas of Leeds. We are committed to provide opportunities for people to make a lasting difference in the lives of others.
- Supported the work of other churches in the UK and overseas particularly through providing on-going advice, coaching and support for community work.

Community Church Leeds is growing. We are delighted that people are finding a home with us and are growing in their faith. We are also encouraged with the growth in income through giving by church members. We received £121,724 in income over the year. Our expenditure was £104,084. On 1 September 2025 we had a total surplus of £73,750.

The Trustees would like to thank all the members of Community Church Leeds who have given so freely of their time and talents as well as their finances to make possible all the activities reported above and more that space doesn't allow us to mention. We feel a genuine sense of privilege and joy to be part of this church community. Without the dedication and commitment of member of the church, Community Church Leeds would be unable to deliver all the services and activities that it does to the people of Leeds, further afield and internationally. The Trustees are delighted that Community Church Leeds is thriving, growing and able to fulfil its charitable objectives.

## Section E Financial review

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

Community Church Leeds has built sufficient reserves to cover 3 months of typical running costs for the charity which is in line with the intended aims of the trustees.

### 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.

## 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)

Richard Colbrook

David Wong

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair of Trustees

Trustee

Date

20/03/2026

# Accounts for Community Church Leeds

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## Receipts and Payments

Opening Balance	Total Sep-25	Restricted Sep-25	Unrestricted Sep-25	Last Year Sep-24
	50,262	0	50,262	35,595
Account	2025	2025	2025	
<b>Receipts</b>				
Tithes and Offerings	93,599		93,599	81,154
Special Offerings and Missionary Support	4,894	4,894	0	2,735
Gift Aid Returns	18,467	668	17,799	17,698
Support and Payments from Other Churches and Charities	2,350		2,350	8,000
Event Income	2,415	2,415	0	2,135
<b>Total Receipts for Year</b>	<b>121,724</b>	<b>7,976</b>	<b>113,748</b>	<b>111,721</b>
<b>Total Receipts including opening balance</b>	<b>171,985</b>	<b>7,976</b>	<b>164,009</b>	<b>147,316</b>
<b>Payments</b>				
Staff Costs (Salaries, Pensions, Employers National Insurance)	52,961		52,961	52,406
Travel in UK	852		852	1,493
Travel Overseas	954		954	4,520
Hall Hire	22,585		22,585	21,808
Community Work and Mission	2,469	705	1,764	2,140
Catering	1,414		1,414	1,037
Work with Students	5,842	2,415	3,427	5,887
Children and Youth	838		838	1,454
Pastoral Costs	659		659	564
Gifts to those in need, other churches and missionary support	10,183	3,773	6,411	3,139
Equipment and Filming of Training Videos	1,099		1,099	766
Conferences and Training	1,290		1,290	0
Admin Expense, Printing and Postage	308		308	318
Books and Resources	359		359	98
Insurance	514		514	514
Accounting and Banking Fees (including accounting software)	374		374	376
Website and other IT costs	1,383		1,383	536
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>104,084</b>	<b>6,893</b>	<b>97,191</b>	<b>97,055</b>
<b>Surplus / Closing Balance</b>	<b>67,902</b>	<b>1,084</b>	<b>66,818</b>	<b>50,262</b>

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## Statement of Assets and Liabilities

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At the end of the accounting period, Community Church Leeds owned the following assets:

Assets	Value
Cash Funds (Restricted)	1,084
Cash Funds (Unrestricted)	66,818
Gift Aid Returns (Restricted)	229
Gift Aid Returns (Unrestricted)	5,619
<b>Total Value of Assets</b>	<b>73,750</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>	
Uncleared Lodgements	836
<b>Total Value of Liabilities</b>	<b>836</b>

## Notes to the Accounts

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During the year, one of the trustees has been paid remuneration or has received other benefits from an employment with Community Church Leeds. In his capacity as pastor of the church, and as permitted within the governing documents of the charity, Richard Colbrook received remuneration of £39,424 and £2,787 in expenses in respect of travel, hospitality and resources in relation to Charitable activities.  
There was no other remuneration or expenses paid to the trustees.

In accordance with the Charitable Incorporated Organisations (General) Regulations 2012, the trustees of Community Church Leeds can confirm that:

- a) no guarantees have been given by the Community Church Leeds CIO during the accounting period and therefore there is no potential liability under any guarantee that is outstanding at the date of the statement of assets and liabilities; and
- b) there are no debts outstanding at the date of the statement of assets and liabilities which are owed by the CIO and which are secured by an express charge on any of the assets of the CIO.

Signed on behalf of the trustees of Community Church Leeds:



Dr Richard Colbrook  
Date: 10 March 2026



Dr David Wong  
Date: 10 March 2026



## **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Community Church Leeds**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Community Church Leeds (the Charity) for the 12 months ending 31 August 2025. Community Church Leeds is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, entered on the Register of Charities on 2 March 2017 (registered charity number: 1171861).

### **Responsibilities and Basis of the Report**

As the charity trustees of the Charity 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 Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with those records.

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

Signed:



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Date: 20 March 2026