

Thornhill Vineyard Church Reference and Administrative Details

Charity name Thornhill Vineyard Church

Charity registration number 1173226

Principal office

59 Tatwin Crescent
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SO19 6JN

Registered office

59 Tatwin Crescent
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Trustees

Mr Joshua Crandon
Mr Duncan James House
Mr Adam James Clark
Mr Matthew James Evans

Bankers

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Accountant

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Trustees' Report

The trustees present their report and accounts for the period ended 31 December 2023.

Structure, governance and management

Thornhill Vineyard Church (the Church) was registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation with the Charity Commission on 31 May 2017. Its constitution (dated 31st May 2017) is in accordance with the Charitable Incorporated Organisations (General) Regulations 2012 which provides trustees with limited legal liability and that trustees manage its affairs and exercise all of its powers.

Objectives and activities

The church's charitable objects are to advance the Christian religion for the public benefit in Thornhill and the world through:

- the organisation and provision of Christian worship;
- the provision of such facilities and services as are appropriate for the church, to enable it to fulfil its mission to the members of the church, visitors to the church and the local community and the wider community;
- the provision of facilities for Christian training and service;
- the support and provision of Christian evangelism and outreach;
- the provision of assistance to the wider Christian church in its ministries.



Trustees' report

Activities and Performance

It has been another fruitful year for Thornhill Vineyard Church.

We have continued with our pattern of worship and meeting together, with two Sundays a month in Kanes Hill Primary school and the other Sundays being in homes or at various outdoor locations. Our weekday small groups have met each week on Wednesday and Thursday nights, providing touch points for the community, discipleship, encouragement, support, prayer and the bedrock of relationship, which is key to any Church community.

Our leadership team has had its monthly meetings on Monday nights, to pray, plan and facilitate the community to achieve Kingdom pursuits. Also on Monday nights every 3 months or so, our Trustees have met to exercise their Governance on our Charity and check all policies and procedures, dealing with situations as they arise.

It has been a delight to co-lead the Encounter monthly Youth Service with our partners at Thornhill Baptist Church. This has seen secondary age young people from 6 or 7 churches meet monthly for games, snacks, worship, testimony, input and prayer ministry. This has been a real encouragement to the young people in Thornhill Vineyard. The Annual Encounter weekend away 10th to 12th February was a highlight with around 40 young people enjoying outdoor adventure activities at Avon Tyrell, as well as discussion and devotion times.

Church members continued to facilitate the Friends of Hinkler Green Community Allotment. As well as enabling local residents to grow their own veg and flowers, there were several 'allotment Sundays' in the year when the whole church undertook maintenance and repairs to the space.

On the 14th January, Kay Bowen led a day of Godly Play training to enable existing and new GP storytellers to learn and practice some stories. It was good to have a couple of teenagers stepping forward to lead these wondering approaches to scripture.

We held two Leadership Vision days during the year to look back at where God has taken us and look forward to what the next steps might be. This led to the Church wide discussions in the Autumn.

We continued to partner with other local Christian friends: at Monty's community hub in Sholing, with St Christophers Anglican Church and with the Thornhill Baptists. It was wonderful to conduct a 'Love Thornhill' 24 hour prayer space with these friends at the St Christopher's Vicarage.

Duncan appreciated his attendance at a Soul Spa retreat in Oxfordshire and both Emma and Duncan attended the Vineyard Leadership Gathering in Nottingham as usual in April.

For our Church Weekend away in May this year we tried a new, local venue near Botley at the YMCA. It was a great success and a huge joy to have old friends and young adults return to join in the community fun.

Another joy was to be able to baptise one of the teenagers on 3rd September in the Solent at Netley. A large number of friends and family attended to cheer Charles on, pray for him and enjoy the picnic afterwards.

While there was no visit to our friends at Bethesda Children's home in Tamil Nadu, India this year, our financial and prayer support remains strong and we look forward to Pastor Sam & Laisha visiting us when they are on a trip to the UK in 2024.

Finally, our supportive relationship with Kanes Hill Primary school remains strong, we were pleased to run several RE days in Kanes Hill Primary school and Hightown primary school with the help of Southampton City Mission.



Financial review

Financially the charity is secure. During the period the church experienced a surplus of £4,960 which has been added to reserves. The unrestricted fund balance of £27,685 exceeds the reserves policy of between three and six months' expenditure as agreed by the trustees. This will be reviewed in 2024.

The trustees continue to review the major risks to which the company is exposed in order to establish systems to manage those risks.

Trustees' Responsibilities in relation to accounting records, financial statements, annual reports, returns and register maintenance

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records; preparing the trustees' annual report and financial statements and all other requirements in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and that such reports and returns to be submitted to the Charity Commission must be sent, regardless of the level of income, within 10 months of the financial year end

Approved by the Board and signed on its behalf by:



Mr Joshua Crandon
Chair of Trustees

Date: 28/05/2024

Thornhill Vineyard Church
Statement of Financial Activities (Receipts and Payments Accounts)
For the Year ended 31st December 2023

	Note	General Funds £	Designated Sabbatical Funds	Total Funds year ended 31st December 2023	Total Funds year ended 31st December 2022 £
Incoming resources from generated funds					
Voluntary Income	2	£40,520		£40,520	£34,966
Resources expended					
Resources expended	3	£35,560		£35,560	£39,459
Net Income		£4,960		£4,960	-£4,493
Transfer of funds		-£612	£612	£0	
Reconciliation of funds					
Total Funds brought forward		£23,337	£2,666	£26,003	£30,496
Total Funds carried forward		£27,685	£3,278	£30,963	£26,003

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Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2023

	31-Dec-23	31-Dec-22
	Notes	
Current Assets	£	£
Debtors and Prepayments		£5,116
Cash at bank and in hand	£30,963	£20,887
	<u>£30,963</u>	<u>£26,003</u>
Current Liabilities	£0	
	<u>£30,963</u>	<u>£26,003</u>
Net Current Assets		
	<u>£30,963</u>	<u>£26,003</u>
Net Assets	<u>£30,963</u>	<u>£26,003</u>
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General Funds	£27,685	£23,337
Designated Funds	£3,278	2666
Total Charity Funds	<u>£30,963</u>	<u>£26,003</u>

Approved by the Trustees and signed on its behalf by:



Chair of Trustees

Date: 28/05/2024

The notes on pages 3 to 6 form an integral part of these financial statements.

Thornhill Vineyard Church **Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2023**

1. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

Thornhill Vineyard is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation and as such is a charity registered as a body corporate under Part 11 of the Charities Act 2011 and has elected under S133 of the 2011 Act to prepare Receipts and Payments Accounts and a Statement of Assets and Liabilities

Fund accounting policy

Any unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees' discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Incoming resources

Donations are recognised where there is entitlement, certainty of receipt and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the statement of financial activities at the same time as the gift to which they relate.

Resources expended

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to the expenditure.

Taxation

Thornhill Vineyard Church is a registered charity and is, therefore, exempt from taxation.

2 Voluntary Income

	Total Funds Year Ended 31st Dec 2023	Total Funds Year Ended 31st Dec 2022
	£	£
General Funds		
Donations	£33,646	£34,096
Event Income	£75	£821
Bank Interest	£223	£49
Gift Aid Tax reclaim	£6,576	
	£40,520	£34,966

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3 Total Resources Expended

		Total Funds Year Ended 31st Dec 2023	Total Funds Year Ended 31st Dec 2022
	Notes		
Charitable Activities			
Activities Undertaken Directly	4	£32,167	£35,601
Support Costs	5	£3,393	£3,858
		<u>£35,560</u>	<u>£39,459</u>

4 Activities Undertaken Directly

	Total Funds Year Ended 31st Dec 2023	Total Funds Year Ended 31st Dec 2022
Employee costs	£19,946	£25,042
Sunday Meeting costs	£3,312	£1,722
Meeting costs	£380	£451
Teaching Resources		£130
Outreach	£295	
Subscriptions	£514	£500
Events Costs	£259	£1,400
Gifts To Organisations	£5,659	£3,036
Support gifts to Individuals	£1,803	3320
	<u>£32,167</u>	<u>£35,601</u>

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5 Support Costs

	Total Funds Year Ended 31st Dec 2023	Total Funds Year Ended 31st Dec 2022
Telephone & Internet	£43	£43
Travel Costs	£110	£91
Conference Costs	£1,607	£1,216
Office costs	£95	£132
Book Keeping	£1,089	£1,202
Legal and Professional	£158	£158
Insurance	£209	£365
Bank charges and interest	£60	£81
General Expenses	22	
Training Costs		£570
	<u>£3,393</u>	<u>£3,858</u>

6 Employees' remuneration

The average number of persons employed by the charity (including trustees) during the year was ONE.

The remuneration for the Senior Pastor, Duncan House, was £19,946

Wages	£16,533
Pension	£2,634
Insurance	£779
TOTAL	£19,946

7 Debtors and Prepayments

Gift Aid owed	<u>£0</u>	<u>£5,116</u>
	<u>£0</u>	<u>£5,116</u>
Current liability	<u>£0</u>	
	<u>£0</u>	

8 Analysis of Funds

	2022	Income	Resources expended	As At Dec 31st 2023
General Funds	<u>£26003</u>	<u>£40,520</u>	<u>£35560</u>	<u>£30963</u>

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9 Net Assets by fund

	General Funds	Designated Funds	Total Funds 31st December 2023 £	Total Funds 31st December 2022 £
CAF Current Account	£18,481	£1,997	£20,478	£11,202
Sabbatical Account		£1,281	£1,281	£650
Savings	£9,204		£9,204	£9,035
Gift Aid Owed				5116
	£27,685	£3,278	£30,963	£26,003

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Report to the Trustees of Thornhill Vineyard Church
Charity No. 1173226

I report to the trustees of Thornhill Vineyard Church on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st December, 2023

Respective responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commissioners 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 which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records.

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



Signed:

Date 17th June 2024

John Robert Eke
Fellow of the Association of Charity Independent Examiners

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