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OASIS CHURCH (BIRMINGHAM)
Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

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Oasis Church (Birmingham)

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for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

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Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Oasis Church (Birmingham) is a charitable company limited by guarantee and is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association, adopted on 9 August 2017.

The trustees are responsible for the overall governance of the charity. New trustees are appointed through consultation with the elders and the board of trustees. They normally serve a term of three years, after which they may be reappointed for a further term if willing and with the agreement of both the elders and the board.

The board of trustees meets at least four times a year to oversee strategy, compliance, and the stewardship of resources. Day-to-day management of the church's activities is delegated to the staff team and volunteers, who are responsible for the delivery of ministry, community engagement, and operational support.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Oasis Church (Birmingham) exists to advance the Christian faith and provide support to those most in need within our local community. We gather a congregation of up to 250 people weekly, with additional households engaging online. In planning our activities, trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Our ministry includes Sunday worship, teaching, prayer, and pastoral care, alongside a wide range of activities designed to serve the wider community. This is centred in our church building in Harborne, now owned by the charity following its purchase in September 2024.

During the year we hosted:

- regular youth groups, Alpha groups, and prayer groups;
- a weekly community café, a co-working space, English conversation classes, a "Stay and Play" group, and a new sensory space, all open to the public;
- our annual carol service, a significant point of connection with the local community; and
- external groups including an after-school club, generating a modest rental income.

Beyond the building, we facilitate small mid-week groups across the city, and weekly "Monday Night Football" sessions, which provide opportunities for community, wellbeing, and connection.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

This year has been particularly significant for the life of the church.

- Acquisition of the building: After leasing the Grade II listed Methodist church building since 2017, we successfully purchased the property in summer 2024. This was made possible through the generosity of our congregation (who together gave in the region of £400,000 including Gift Aid), a grant from the Government's Community Ownership Fund, and a small mortgage.
- Establishment of the South Street Community Hub: The Community Ownership Fund grant also provided resources to launch this new venture. We appointed a Community Hub Manager, who has strengthened existing initiatives (community café, co-working hub, Stay and Play, and English conversation classes) and started new projects to ensure the building is a welcoming place for all.
- Sustaining core ministries: Alongside these developments, we continued to deliver the full range of church and community activities described above, maintaining strong levels of engagement across worship, discipleship, and outreach.
- Community engagement highlights: Our carol service once again attracted significant attendance from local residents, while Monday Night Football and the National Christian Football Festival gave further opportunities for relationship building across Birmingham.

The trustees are encouraged by the generosity, resilience, and growth demonstrated in this year, and look forward to building on this momentum.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

Income this year was significantly higher than in previous years, reflecting extraordinary congregational giving towards the building purchase (approx. £400,000 across this year and the previous year) and the grant awarded from the Community Ownership Fund. Regular giving has also increased, enabling the trustees to support the ongoing mortgage repayments.

A portion of funds has been set aside for known essential repairs to the roof and structure of the building. The trustees recognise that fundraising for these works, as well as for the long-term sustainability of the South Street Community Hub (including the salary of the Hub Manager), will be key priorities going forward. To support this, a Fundraising Co-ordinator has been appointed to explore external grant opportunities.

The trustees confirm that the charity remains a going concern and has sufficient reserves to continue operating in the foreseeable future.

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

In the coming year, Oasis Church (Birmingham) intends to:

- complete essential roof and structural repairs to the building;
- continue to develop and expand the South Street Community Hub, ensuring its sustainability through a combination of grants, donations, and income-generating activities;
- make greater use of the building's rooms for external bookings, conferences, and events, to provide further income and community connection; and
- maintain and strengthen the core ministry of worship, discipleship, and pastoral care.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered charity number
1174200

Registered office and principal address

Oasis Church
South Street
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Trustees

M K Wort
D M Gooding
J D Newbold
J Fox
R Blaber (appointed in May 2024)

Accountants

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**Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland".

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 27 Nov 25 and signed on its behalf by:



D M Gooding - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Oasis Church (Birmingham)**

We report on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025 set out on pages 5 to 10.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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

Having satisfied ourselves that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is our responsibility to:

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

Basis of the independent examiner's report

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission.

An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statements below.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- (1) which gives us reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of Sections 394 and 395 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities have not been met; or
- (2) to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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3 December 2025

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**Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

		Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Year to 31 March 2025 Total funds £	Year to 31 March 2024 Total funds £
	Notes				
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	307,315	50,989	358,304	421,187
Incoming resources from charitable activities		17,879	-	17,879	16,046
Investment income		-	-	-	-
Total		325,194	50,989	376,183	437,233
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities	3				
Direct charitable expenditure		23,118	-	23,118	11,630
Donations		13,200	-	13,200	14,450
Other		246,036	24,525	270,561	239,053
Total		282,354	24,525	306,879	265,133
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		42,840	26,464	69,304	172,100
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		42,840	26,464	69,304	170,100
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		101,075	391,553	492,628	320,528
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		143,915	418,017	561,932	492,628

CONTINUING OPERATIONS

All income and expenditure has arisen from continuing activities.

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**Balance Sheet
At 31 March 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Year to 31 March 2025 Total funds £	Year to 31 March 2024 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	7	3,003	514,607	517,610	308
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	8	1,044		1,044	13,368
Cash at bank		<u>151,336</u>	<u>98,659</u>	<u>249,995</u>	<u>485,284</u>
		152,380	98,659	251,039	498,652
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(11,468)	-	(11,468)	(6,332)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>140,912</u>	<u>98,659</u>	<u>239,571</u>	<u>492,320</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		143,915	613,266	757,181	492,628
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due after one year	10		<u>(195,249)</u>	<u>(195,249)</u>	
NET ASSETS		<u>143,915</u>	<u>418,017</u>	<u>561,932</u>	<u>492,628</u>
FUNDS	11				
Unrestricted funds:					
General fund				143,915	101,075
Restricted funds:					
Building Fund				418,017	391,553
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>561,932</u>	<u>492,628</u>

For the financial year ending 31 March 2025 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Trustees responsibilities

The members have not required the charity to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476; and

The trustees acknowledge their responsibility for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 27 NOV 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

R A Blaber - Trustee

J D Newbold - Trustee

J Fox - Trustee

M K Wort - Trustee

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

Income

Income is brought into account when it is more likely than not that the economic benefit of the income will accrue to the charity.

Expenditure

This is recognised when a liability is incurred, or a constructive obligation arises, that results in the payment being unavoidable. Liabilities are recognised as soon as an outflow of economic benefit is considered more likely than not under the legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

Governance costs

These are the costs associated with the general running of the charity and its strategic management, rather than the costs of its charitable activities and day to day management.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Public benefit entity

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy/note.

Going concern

Based on the monetary assets and human resources available at 31 March 2025, the trustees believe that the charity is a going concern.

VAT

Since the charity is not VAT registered, all input VAT is charged with the expenses to which it refers.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	Year to 31 March 2025 £	Year to 31 March 2024 £
Other donations	307,315	230,533
Building Fund	<u>50,989</u>	<u>190,654</u>
	<u>358,304</u>	<u>421,187</u>

3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Funding of activities £	2024 Totals £
Direct charitable expenditure	23,118	11,630
Donations	13,200	14,450
Other	<u>270,561</u>	<u>239,053</u>
	<u>306,879</u>	<u>265,133</u>

4. SUPPORT COSTS

	Management £	Governance costs £	Totals £
Other resources expended	<u>268,569</u>	<u>1,992</u>	<u>270,561</u>

Support costs, included in the above, are as follows:

	Year to 31 March 2025 Other resources expended £	Year to 31 March 2024 Total activities £
Salaries and associated costs	193,756	161,219
Premises running costs	31,024	15,998
Premises acquisition costs	-	11,221
Administration, telephone, travel etc	3,227	2,898
Other expenses	31,590	44,435
Professional fees	1,992	1,932
Depreciation	935	1,350
Mortgage interest	<u>8,037</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>270,561</u>	<u>239,053</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
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5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

During the period ended 31 March 2025 there were no trustee expenses.

6. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the period, calculated in the basis of full time equivalents, was 5 (2024 : 7).

7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Buildings	Fixtures & Fittings
	£	£
COST OF VALULATION		
At 1 April 2024	-	11,073
Additions	<u>514,607</u>	<u>3,630</u>
At 31 March 2025	<u>514,607</u>	<u>14,703</u>
DEPRECIATION		
At 1 April 2024	-	10,765
Providing during the year	<u>-</u>	<u>935</u>
At 31 March 2025	<u>-</u>	<u>11,700</u>
NET BOOK VALUE		
At 31 March 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>308</u>
At 31 March 2025	<u>514,607</u>	<u>3,003</u>

8. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	Year to 31 March 2025 £	Year to 31 March 2024 £
Other debtors	<u>1,044</u>	<u>13,368</u>

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Year to 31 March 2025	Year to 31 March 2024
	£	£
Taxation and social security	3,733	3,162
Other creditors	<u>7,735</u>	<u>3,170</u>
	<u>11,468</u>	<u>6,332</u>

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

This relates to the mortgage taken out on the purchase of the property.

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.24	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds	At 31.3.25
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	101,075	42,840	-	143,915
Restricted funds:				
Building fund	391,553	26,464	-	418,017
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>492,628</u>	<u>69,304</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>561,932</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	325,194	282,354	-	42,840
Restricted funds:				
Building Fund	50,989	24,525	-	26,464
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>376,183</u>	<u>306,879</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>69,304</u>

12. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

During the year a grant of £250,000 was received to facilitate the purchase of the building. The terms of the grant are such that should the property be sold within the first seven years of advance, a proportion of the proceeds on sale equivalent to the original proportion of the acquisition cost is repayable (33%). The value of this cannot be defined as it relates to potential sales proceeds. There are no plans for sale of the building within this timeframe.

There were no contingent liabilities during the year ended 31 March 2024.

Oasis Church (Birmingham)**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025**

	Year to 31 March 2025 £	Year to 31 March 2024 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Other donations	307,315	230,533
Building Fund	<u>50,989</u>	<u>190,654</u>
	358,304	421,187
Incoming resources from charitable activities	17,879	16,046
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total incoming resources	376,183	437,233
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Direct charitable expenditure	23,118	11,630
Raising funds		
Donations	13,200	14,450
Support costs		
Salaries and associated costs	193,756	161,219
Premises running costs	31,024	15,998
Building acquisition costs	-	11,221
Administration, telephone, travel etc	3,227	2,898
Other expenses	31,590	44,435
Depreciation	935	1,350
Mortgage interest	<u>8,037</u>	<u>-</u>
	304,887	263,201
Governance costs		
Accountancy	<u>1,992</u>	<u>1,932</u>
Total resources expended	306,879	265,133
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net income	<u>69,304</u>	<u>172,100</u>