

Rockministry

Registered Charity Number: 1175351

ROCKMINISTRY

**Trustees Annual Report and Accounts
For the year ended 31st March 2024**

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for the period ended 31st March 2024

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
for the period ended 31st March 2024**

The trustees present their report and accounts for the year to 31st March 2024. The trustees have opted, under section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Charities Act'), to prepare receipts and payments accounts

Objectives and Aims

Our charitable objects are:

- (a) to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the evangelical alliance basis of faith, in Bideford, Devon and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the directors of the charity may from time to time think fit and to fulfil such other purposes which are exclusively charitable according to the law of England and Wales and are connected with the charitable work of the charity.
- (b) to relieve persons who are in conditions of need or hardship and who are aged or sick and to relieve the distress caused thereby in the said location and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the trustees may from time-to-time think fit.

We do this by

- Sunday services and other Christian meetings for the community.
- Free faith and none based Parent and Children courses in the community.
- Providing food and practical items for the poor and needy.
- Providing a place for worship and Christian teaching of the Bible.
- Providing marriage courses and advice, bereavement courses and Counselling.
- Youth drop in centre
- Community Rockministry Hub Café and volunteer support group which is accessible to all people.
- Coaching and mentoring to all people.
- Children's Sunday School.
- Christmas food hampers to the poor and needy.
- Community building for hire.
- Providing free holidays for those on low incomes and have not had a holiday for 4 years

Public benefit

The Trustees have considered the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit and consider that the activities of the charity meet its charitable objectives and provide a benefit to the public.

Achievement and Performance

Charitable activities

The Rockministry Hub Café is a vital community support venue, hosting local Christian events and providing practical help such as food, lunches, and white goods funded through Acts 435. It offers inspiring Men's breakfasts, church meetings, and Christmas events. It's a storage space for resources and a venue for partnering with other Christian organisations. One of its most exciting aspects is the connections and supportive relationships developed. The Gospel is shared through one-on-one and group conversations, changing lives and building confidence in individuals' Christian faith. This empowers them to reach out and pray for the sick. Practical support, free food, and drinks are freely given by a committed group of volunteers.

The youth drop in isn't happening now. It was popular to begin with, but the support wasn't there, so it was decided to close it.

Leadership and Volunteers

The Rockministry leadership team, guided by pastors Brioney and Peter Simpson, follows their faith and trust in the Lord. We support families and individuals with terminal illnesses, long-term conditions, and concerns about the cost of living. By providing ongoing emotional, spiritual, and practical support, we bring people into a loving, caring family. We walk alongside individuals in their daily challenges and successes, including those suffering from bereavement.

Our pastors and leaders receive pastoral development and training from the International Network of Churches, visiting their headquarters in Brighton. As an independently governed charity, we effectively lead and support the Rockministry team and volunteers. Using Growth Track, we enhance trust and faith within our volunteers, building their skills and preparing them for greater leadership roles within the church community. Every individual is important and unique as we support each other through various life situations, including parenting, marriage, and employment. Together, we do life as a family.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

for the period ended 31st March 2024

This year, Rockministry received donations through weekly memberships from church members and others devoted to supporting the ministry financially. As we aim to pay our pastors for their incredible work, we are seeking core funding this year.

We continue to enjoy wonderful family fun activities and farm days on private farmland. These events, such as church family lunches, activity days, and providing counselling and mentoring, help develop relationships. Mentoring empowers people to find positive wisdom and promote their gifts, skills, strengths, and abilities. Volunteers grow and develop in their faith as they support local church community activities and projects.

Rockministry actively networks with charities like Care for the Family, Acts 435, Northern Devon Food Bank, and Family Holiday Association. We use various training programs supported by social services and professionals to support parents and children in families that have experienced trauma, need teenage support, or require anger management.

With the closing of the Methodist building, we have begun leasing a new building in Bideford. Collaborating with a local community hub in East the Water, we have welcomed new families and individuals, continuing to build the loving family community of Rockministry.

Prayer Meetings and Worship Gatherings

We gather throughout the week for prayer meetings, witnessing how God answers our prayers and guides us, strengthening our faith, friendships, and family bonds as we support each other.

Every Sunday, we hold services where we worship, grow together, and train Rockministry members to become leaders. We seek to follow Christ daily and learn through biblical conversations and teachings, with a Sunday School dedicated to the children.

Financial review

The charity is dependent on donations £23,976 (2023: £42,133).

Total income for the period was £24,976 (2023: £46,298) and expenditure £33,338 (2023: £45,980) leaving a deficit of £8,362 (2023: Surplus £308)

We have a Rockministry hub café facility and have Sunday services where it is well attended with families and children. We have maintained and paid all our outgoings and have invested in our equipment and resources to be able to have socials and meals together and have an equipped resource for the community to use.

We have a Rockministry Hub Café facility where we have provided hundreds of meals and drinks to the community. We have been leasing a Methodist Chapel in the community where we have held our Sunday Worship and Word services and other events. We have invested in our maintenance programmes and upgraded our leased buildings. We have continued to upgrade and invest in our resources and equipment.

Reserves policy

We have a policy not to borrow finance so where possible we stick to a very tight budget; we do not hold reserves currently as we do not have the finance coming in to do this. We plan to hold a reserve fund of three months for day to day bills coming in.

Unrestricted cash reserves at the year-end were £1,173

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing document

Rockministries is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation registered on 25th October 2017.

The charity associated with the International Network of Churches (INC) but is governed independently.

New members are elected by the existing trustees to the board after nomination and interview.

Financial reports are presented to the board at each meeting. Minutes of each meeting are taken and subsequently distributed.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
for the period ended 31st March 2024

Reference and Administration Details

Registered name
Rockministry

Registered Charity number
1175351

Other names
Rock Café
Assembly on the Rock

Principal address
12 Grenville Street
Bideford
Devon
EX39 2EA

Trustees

Name	Position
Jane Butler	Chair
Peter Simpson	
Ruth Ward	
Ivor Davies	

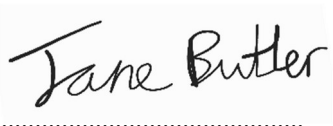
Appointments/Resignations

Appointed 9th September 2021
Appointed 4th November 2022

Independent Examiner

Magnus Proctor FFA
Lindisfarne
Landkey Road
Barnstaple
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Approved by the board of trustees on 22nd September 2024 and signed on its behalf by:



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Jane Butler Chair

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF ROCKMINISTRY

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Rockministries

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Rockministry (the Trust) for the year to 31st March 2024.

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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do 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 confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Magnus Proctor FFA
Fellow of the Institute of Financial Accountants
Lindisfarne
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Date: 22nd September 2024

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
for the year to 31st March 2024

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Receipts				
Donations and gifts	23,976	0	23,976	42,133
Café church	0	0	0	0
Event Income	0	0	0	0
Rental income	0	0	0	4,165
Grants received	0	1,000	1,000	0
Total receipts	23,976	1,000	24,976	46,298
Payments				
Café church:				
Purchases	0	0	0	6,877
Volunteer expenses	422	0	422	862
Training	0	0	0	96
Rent	7,950	0	7,950	7,990
Rates	0	0	0	123
Utilities	2,515	0	2,515	1,560
Cleaning and Maintenance	2,126	0	2,126	2,948
Donations and giving	860	0	860	594
INC tithe	0	0	0	0
Resources	155	0	155	2,179
Events	0	0	0	255
Dare to Care (Free food and clothes)	3,325	1,000	4,325	1,457
Pastoral costs	9,400	0	9,400	15,152
Travel costs	2,241	0	2,241	2,365
Conference expenses	0	0	0	255
Office costs	230	0	230	0
Bank charges	393	0	393	295
Equipment	203	200	403	600
Insurance	236	0	236	227
Advertising	368	0	368	573
Subscriptions	1,318	0	1,318	1,346
Website	396	0	396	226
Total payments	32,138	1,200	33,338	45,980
Net receipts / (payments)	(8,162)	(200)	(8,362)	308
Reconciliation of funds				
Transfer between funds				
Total Funds brought forward	9,335	200	9,535	9,227
Total Funds carried forward	1,173	0	1,173	9,535

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
At 31st March 2024

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Fixed Assets				
	0	0	0	0
Current Assets				
Debtors	0	0	0	0
Cash at bank	1,173	0	1,173	9,535
Current Liabilities				
Creditors	0	0	0	0
Total Assets less Liabilities	1,173	0	1,173	9,535

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 22nd September 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:


Jane Butler, Chair

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of preparing the financial statements and assessment of going concern

These accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis as permitted by law for smaller charities.

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

2. Trustee remuneration and benefits

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any benefits from an employment with the charity or a related entity.