

Vine Review 2023-24

Thank you to the Vine for your continued giving over the financial year 23/24. Our vision this year was **"To be with 'Jesus'".** Your generosity has meant that we have continued to impact our local community with the gospel and provide a space for ourselves and others to be together and worship God.

Vine Spaces

Throughout the period of April to December 2023 we continued to rent East Dorset Tennis Club and Lagland Street (owned by Poole Christian fellowship) for our Sunday morning services.

From September 2023 we started to hire Lagland Street for all our Sunday morning services as it became available every Sunday. We also hired it out for prayer meetings and other church events including a ladies breakfast and 'Closer gatherings' where we gathered for reflective worship and prayer.

We carried on our work on Turin moor at the 'Vine Hub' by providing a space for the community and a weekly 'Tea and Toast'. These have been successful and always has a regular group of parents and children who enjoy the community, chat and refreshments.

April 2023 - March 2024 - What we did as a church.

In April 2023 we encouraged our church to host family and friends for a Maundy Thursday 'last supper' meal. We provided resources for them to use. On Good Friday we gathered together with Poole Christian Fellowship at Lagland street for a packed joint service where we enjoyed fellowship afterwards with refreshments and hot cross buns. We also celebrated our Easter Sunday together at Lagland street with a baptism.

On June 10th 2023 we hosted our annual 'Church Day Out' at Horton and chalbury village hall. Izzie from Poole Christian fellowship served our children for the morning with kids teaching and fun. Steven Driver from Broadstone baptist church, Bill Rice of Kings church and Andy Upton of Poole Christian fellowship Brought us teaching. New life church served us in worship and we spent the afternoon enjoying games food and fun with a tug of war and bouncy castles.

This year we felt God call us to be more united with other churches across Poole including Longfleet baptist church, Kings church and Poole Christian fellowship. We have gathered together with all three of these churches this year on a number of different occasions.

On 20-23rd July Paul and Liz Lynch visited the church for a long weekend. On Thursday 20th they came to our closer gathering to worship and spend time praying for individuals who had requested to have prayer with them.

On Friday 21st Paul and Liz met with the elders and elders wives for a time of encouragement and prayer. On Saturday 22nd Liz spoke to the women at church for our ladies breakfast. She shared her encouragement of the father's heart for His church and we all enjoyed. delicious continental breakfast. Finally on Sunday 23rd Paul preached as part of our Sunday morning service.

On 2nd July The Vine met with PCF for another joint service at their meeting space at Poole High School.

We enjoyed a church BBQ at Jane and Bobs house on 6th August where we provided some of the food on offer.

A new season begins...

In October we informed the church at a family meeting of our future plans for a trial merger into one church with PCF. This was met with a lot of excitement and anticipation. Becci and Tim who continued to be employed by the Vine began to work once a week from the PCF office at Lagland street

At Christmas on behalf of the church Hazel organised a meal out. The church subsidised everyone's meal by £5 a head and we all enjoyed a delicious meal together on 16th December at cafe rouge.

As part of our 'getting to know you' period The vine and PCF hosted a joint coffee morning at Lagland street, we provided a few refreshments but we were mostly donated many homemade cakes. The morning was a great success with loads of people getting to meet one another before our new years joint services began.

On Saturday 17th December we hosted our annual Carol Service at Langland street, we provided refreshments after the service for everyone to enjoy.

We continued to support Turlin Moor food bank when the church provided Christmas food donations.

From 7th January we began meeting at Poole High school with PCF. We contributed towards the rent for the Sunday morning hire and from this time on all of our different events were done jointly with PCF.

Our first prayer weekend was 19th-21st January, we set up a creative prayer space at Lagland Street where members of both churches could come and take part together or individually with the different prayer stations. This was a very successful and fruitful weekend.

On 24th February Vine and PCF hosted a Board games event - a social afternoon for families and an evening just for adults to come play different board games, chat and have fun and refreshments together.

Our Easter programme consisted of our usual Good Friday and Easter Sunday services as well as our yearly donation of Easter eggs to Turlin Moor food bank. On Good Friday 29th March we held a service at Lagland street and baptised a member of the church. This was another great service with fellowship and refreshments afterwards. On Saturday 30th March we hosted an Easter family funday at Lagland street. We hired soft play and entertained families with crafts, games, face painting, cake making, refreshments and lots of Creme Eggs! We welcomed so many different people in from the community and we thanked our volunteers with a lunch afterwards.

This year we have tried our best to be faithful to a faithful God. Thank you for partnering with us for the building of

Gods church and the sake of the gospel.



Charity registration number: 1176720

The Vine Christian Fellowship

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

The Vine Christian Fellowship

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Reference and Administrative Details

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Charlty Registration Number	1176720
Independent Examiner	Martin Arthur FMAAT, FFA, FIPA, FFTA, MIH, ACIE Independent examiner Accountancy.coop Ltd Unit 2A, The Courtyard Craft Centre Huntick Road Lythett Minster Dorset BH16 6BA

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Trustees' Report

The trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Objectives and activities

Objects and aims

The objects of the CIO are any charitable purposes either at home or overseas for the benefit of the public in particular the advancement of the Christian Religion

Public benefit

The annual review shows details of how the CIO has furthered public benefit in the year.

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

Financial review

Policy on reserves

Free reserves (general reserves excluding amounts invested in assets for the church's use) are available to meet the costs of normal running and expansion of the church and to ensure the church can meet the costs of normal running and expansion of the church and to ensure the church can meet the commitments that have been entered into. Our policy is to keep 3 months' expenses as a reserve, currently £5,000 per month, so our aim is £15,000 reserves.

Structure, governance and management

Nature of governing document

The CIO is controlled by its governing document, a CIO (Charitable Incorporated Organisation) - Foundation deed dated 18th January 2018

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

- (1) Apart from the first charity trustees, every trustee must be appointed for a term of four years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees.
- (2) In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO.

Induction and training of trustees

The charity trustees will make available to each new charity trustee, on or before his or her first appointment:

- (a) a copy of the current version of this constitution; and
 - (b) a copy of the CIO's latest Trustees' Annual Report and statement of accounts.
- Any necessary training will be provided.


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Trustees' Report

Organisational structure

The Church is governed and regulated by its Trustees and the Eldership team.
Two of the current Trustees are also on the Eldership team.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 10/11/24 and signed on its behalf by:


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Mr David Gawler
Trustee

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Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities


The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities 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 of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities 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; and
- 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 that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees 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 the trustees of the charity on 10/11/24 and signed on its behalf by:


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Mr David Gawler
Trustee

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Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of The Vine Christian Fellowship

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024 which are set out on pages 6 to 15.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees of The Vine Christian Fellowship you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

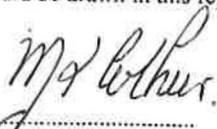
I report in respect of my examination of the The Vine Christian Fellowship's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of The Vine Christian Fellowship 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 accounting 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 this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.


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Martin Arthur
Independent examiner

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Date: 14 Nov 24

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

	Note	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Income and Endowments from:					
Donations and legacies		63,648	4,992	68,640	58,491
Other trading activities		377	-	377	-
Investment income	4	273	17	290	51
Total Income		<u>64,298</u>	<u>5,009</u>	<u>69,307</u>	<u>58,542</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities		<u>(56,785)</u>	<u>(5,330)</u>	<u>(62,115)</u>	<u>(72,570)</u>
Total Expenditure		<u>(56,785)</u>	<u>(5,330)</u>	<u>(62,115)</u>	<u>(72,570)</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		7,513	(321)	7,192	(14,028)
Gross transfers between funds		<u>(173)</u>	<u>173</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		7,340	(148)	7,192	(14,028)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		<u>38,910</u>	<u>4,838</u>	<u>43,748</u>	<u>57,776</u>
Total funds carried forward	14	<u>46,250</u>	<u>4,690</u>	<u>50,940</u>	<u>43,748</u>

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

The funds breakdown for 2023 is shown in note 14.

The notes on pages 8 to 15 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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(Registration number: 1176720)
Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	10	-	407
Current assets			
Debtors	11	11,988	9,929
Cash at bank and in hand	12	42,521	36,344
		54,509	46,273
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	13	(3,569)	(2,932)
Net current assets		50,940	43,341
Net assets		50,940	43,748
Funds of the charity:			
Restricted income funds			
Restricted funds	14	4,692	4,838
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted funds		46,248	38,910
Total funds	14	50,940	43,748

The financial statements on pages 6 to 15 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 10/11/24 and signed on their behalf by:



 Mr David Gawler
 Trustee

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

1 Accounting policies

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with 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) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Basis of preparation

The Vine Christian Fellowship 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 notes.

Exemption from preparing a cash flow statement

The charity opted to early adopt Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016 and have therefore not included a cash flow statement in these financial statements.

Going concern

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

Taxation

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets costing £100.00 or more are initially recorded at cost.

Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

Asset class

Computer equipment

Depreciation method and rate

3 years straight line

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Trade debtors

Trade debtors are amounts due from customers for merchandise sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business.

Trade debtors are recognised initially at the transaction price. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment. A provision for the impairment of trade debtors is established when there is objective evidence that the charity will not be able to collect all amounts due according to the original terms of the receivables.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Fund structure

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

Designated funds are unrestricted funds set aside for specific purposes at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted income funds are those donated for use in a particular area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose.

Pensions and other post retirement obligations

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme which is a pension plan under which fixed contributions are paid into a pension fund and the charity has no legal or constructive obligation to pay further contributions even if the fund does not hold sufficient assets to pay all employees the benefits relating to employee service in the current and prior periods.

Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities when they are due. If contribution payments exceed the contribution due for service, the excess is recognised as a prepayment.

2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds		Restricted funds	Total funds
	Designated £	General £	£	£
Donations and legacies;				
Donations from individuals	720	52,354	487	53,561
Gift aid reclaimed	180	10,394	800	11,374
Regular giving and capital donations	-	-	3,705	3,705
Total for 2024	<u>900</u>	<u>62,748</u>	<u>4,992</u>	<u>68,640</u>
Total for 2023	<u>900</u>	<u>52,625</u>	<u>4,966</u>	<u>58,491</u>

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3 Income from other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds £
Events income;		
Other events income	72	72
Property rental income	305	305
Total for 2024	377	377

4 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds Designated £	General £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Interest receivable and similar income;				
Interest receivable on bank deposits	34	239	17	290
Total for 2024	34	239	17	290
Total for 2023	34	14	3	51

5 Analysis of support costs

Charitable activities expenditure

	Unrestricted Designated £	General £	Restricted £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Staffing	-	35,032	-	35,032	41,107
Venue costs	-	9,195	-	9,195	9,108
Communications	-	954	-	954	935
Fixed costs	-	1,843	-	1,843	1,801
Vision costs	-	1,314	-	1,314	2,102
Training & development	-	921	-	921	1,808
Ministry costs	3,660	3,457	878	7,995	11,982
Sri Lanka Sponsorship	-	-	4,452	4,452	2,720
Growth fund	-	-	-	-	282
Depreciation	406	-	-	406	720
	4,066	52,716	5,330	62,112	72,565

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6 Net incoming/outgoing resources

Net incoming/(outgoing) resources for the year include:

	2024 £	2023 £
Depreciation of fixed assets	<u>406</u>	<u>720</u>

7 Trustees remuneration and expenses

During the year the charity made the following transactions with trustees:

Mr Timothy Buttler

Mr Timothy Buttler received remuneration of £24,849 (2023: £26,855) and £1,123 (2023: £3,294) of expenses were reimbursed to Mr Timothy Buttler during the year.

Expenses paid were re-imbursements of payments made on behalf of the church, all for charitable purposes.

It was agreed, in a trustee meeting on 9th September 2021, when he was appointed, that it would be very beneficial to the church to appoint Tim as a trustee, for operational purposes, the remuneration has not in any way increased due to his appointment as trustee.

No trustees have received any other benefits from the charity during the year.

8 Staff costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:

	2024 £	2023 £
Staff costs during the year were:		
Wages and salaries	35,009	40,122
Pension costs	<u>23</u>	<u>257</u>
	<u>35,032</u>	<u>40,379</u>

The monthly average number of persons (including senior management team) employed by the charity during the year expressed as full time equivalents was as follows:

	2024 No	2023 No
Average number of employees	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000 during the year

9 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

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10 Tangible fixed assets

	Furniture and equipment £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 April 2023	6,660	6,660
At 31 March 2024	6,660	6,660
Depreciation		
At 1 April 2023	6,253	6,253
Charge for the year	407	407
At 31 March 2024	6,660	6,660
Net book value		
At 31 March 2024	-	-
At 31 March 2023	407	407

11 Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Prepayments	614	187
Other debtors	11,374	9,742
	11,988	9,929

12 Cash and cash equivalents

	2024 £	2023 £
Cash at bank	42,521	36,344

13 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Other taxation and social security	836	-
Other creditors	491	232
Accruals	2,242	2,700
	3,569	2,932

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14 Funds

	Balance at 1 April 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2024 £
Unrestricted funds					
<i>General</i>					
General fund	20,690	63,398	(56,379)	(175)	27,534
<i>Designated</i>					
Growth fund	15,111	900	(406)	-	15,605
Hub Refurbishment fund	3,109	-	-	-	3,109
	18,220	900	(406)	-	18,714
	38,910	64,298	(56,785)	(175)	46,248
Total unrestricted funds					
Restricted funds					
Sri Lanka Sponsorship fund	2,675	4,434	(4,452)	-	2,657
Church Family Giving fund	2,163	-	(128)	-	2,035
New Life Kids fund	-	575	(750)	175	-
	4,838	5,009	(5,330)	175	4,692
Total restricted funds					
	43,748	69,307	(62,115)	-	50,940

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	Balance at 1 April 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 March 2023 £
Unrestricted funds					
<i>General</i>					
General fund	33,459	52,639	(65,256)	(152)	20,690
<i>Designated</i>					
Growth fund	14,865	934	(688)	-	15,111
Hub Refurbishment fund	3,109	-	-	-	3,109
	17,974	934	(688)	-	18,220
Total unrestricted funds	51,433	53,573	(65,944)	(152)	38,910
Restricted					
Sri Lanka Sponsorship fund	523	4,872	(2,720)	-	2,675
Church Family Giving fund	2,500	-	(337)	-	2,163
Ukraine Relief fund	3,319	98	(3,569)	152	-
Total restricted funds	6,342	4,970	(6,626)	152	4,838
Total funds	57,775	58,543	(72,570)	-	43,748

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15 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds		Restricted funds	Total funds at
	General	Designated	£	31 March
	£	£		2024
Current assets -	31,103	18,714	4,692	54,509
Current liabilities	(3,569)	-	-	(3,569)
Total net assets	27,534	18,714	4,692	50,940
	Unrestricted funds		Restricted funds	Total funds at
	General	Designated	£	31 March
	£	£		2023
Tangible fixed assets	407	-	-	407
Current assets -	23,058	18,220	4,838	46,116
Current liabilities	(2,932)	-	-	(2,932)
Total net assets	20,533	18,220	4,838	43,591