



**CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

## **Trustees' Annual Report for the period**

**From 1 Nov 2024  
date 31 Oct 2025**

**Period start date To**

**Period end**

**Charity name: The LIFE Community**

**Charity registration number: 1178447**

## **Objectives and Activities**

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<b>The LIFE Community is affiliated to the South West Baptist Association Charity Registration 1124938</b> <b>The LIFE Community up until 20 September 2023 has managed Pippins Community Centre. Pippins CIO is now a charity in her own right Charity Registration 1204863 therefore with effect from the 2023/24 financial year The LIFE Community and Pippins CIO will file separate accounts</b>

Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p><b>The LIFE Community is a Baptist Prayer Community who DWELL at Pippins Community Centre. We are a community of prayer and kindness, small in number yet light on our feet and big in heart. We take our role very seriously and are fully immersed in our community work here at the grass roots.</b></p> <p><b>This past year we have very much enjoyed partnering with Axminster Methodist Church by hosting Axminster Bread Church together.</b></p> <p><b>We have also enjoyed our learning to DWELL in deep rich union with our God and with one another.</b></p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees have regard for this guidance.

#### **Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	<b>The LIFE Community currently doesn't allocate any grants</b>
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	<b>The LIFE Community currently doesn't allocate any social investment</b>

Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Some of our people who 'belong' to The LIFE Community regularly give to the life and work of our community
Other		-

## Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>We have had another wonderful year as The LIFE Community (TLC) and continue to be that faithful and prayer presence at Pippins Community Centre. We feel that our prayers are part of a whole hosts of prayers prayed that undergird the beautiful work at the centre.</p> <p>Pippins continues to be a safe place for many and it's amazing that we are all a part of that.</p> <p>Our shared life as The LIFE Community has changed shape this past year and is exciting. We are our learning to DWELL in deep rich union with our God and with one another as we serve at Pippins Community Centre.</p> <p>We are enjoying our partnership with Axminster Methodist Church and our monthly hosting of Axminster Bread Church for those who are curious about faith and for those who are young disciples in our faith. It is a very fruitful partnership and a very beautiful expression of church.</p> <p>We continue to enjoy hosting our young families for First Friday Feast and it has been a real joy to see young lives grow in the creative ways that they each pray. This is now on a Thursday and is now known as our Pippins Prayer Party.</p> <p>We have a joint Open The Book Team with our friends from the United Reform Church that regularly visit Axminster Primary Academy which is brilliant. The Head Teacher tells us that the children continue to love it and look forward to it!</p>

		<p>Our Pippins Prayer Gathering continues to be very fruitful and we have invited others who dwell at Pippins to join in and pray with us this year and see where God takes us. It feels like we are on the cusp of something.</p>
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**Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	The achievements set out above are in line with our aspirations from last year
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	We were delighted to receive addition donation support from the South West Baptist Association to support a stipend and this has enable the mission to cover its costs for the year.



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	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives		All funds are held in a current bank account as there are no funds available for investment.
Other		-

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<p>This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> year in which the charity has operated solely as a church. Pippins Community Centre now being a charity in her own right, takes the weight of the majority of the running costs of the centre.</p> <p>Grants were received from South West Baptist Association towards our Minister's Stipend.</p> <p>We also receive a contribution from the new Pippins charity towards the stipend paid to our minister.</p> <p>Our operational costs are now very low mainly Minister's Stipend, Insurance, Spiritual Direction and food.</p>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	N/A
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Unrestricted reserves were
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	None
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	The future of the mission is dependent in the receipt of donations from the SWBA as our numbers are very small due to the nature of the mission we are involved here.

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	We are supported by Home Mission and for the last two years the South West Baptist Association's Axe Valley Fund for which we are hugely grateful.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	As set out above this is not applicable
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	Funding is often very tight and we continue to rely on grants.

Other		
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## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust deed
How is the charity constituted? (e.g. unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	The Core Team will nominate to the community and we vote either at a gathering or at our Church Meeting equivalent which is our Community Dinner.

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	We are a small team of 4. New trustees would have been members of the church for a significant period and they "walk alongside" in regular activity for a required period of time.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	The charity is a church with two accredited Baptist ministers who are trustees and is a member of the Baptist Union. Regular support is received by a minister of a local Baptist church and technical and legal support is provided by the South West Baptist Association which supports churches in the Westcountry.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	None are related
Other		

## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	The LIFE Community
Other name the charity uses	-
Registered charity number	1178447
Charity's principal address	Pippins Community Centre Lyme Road Axminster Devon EX13 5AZ

### 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	Rev Kay d'Albertanson	Core Team, Trustee and Minister		
2	Elizabeth Paice	Core Team and Trustee		
3	Simon d'Albertanson	Core Team and Trustee		
4	Helen Larkin	Trustee	From 1 Sept 2024	
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### Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		



Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

### Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	None
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

### Additional information (optional)

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

Type of adviser	Name	Address


#### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Rev Kay d'Albertanson

### Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details



## Other optional information

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## Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Elizabeth Ann Paice	Kay d'Albertanson
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Core Team and Trustee	Core Team, Trustee and Minister

Date

10 March 2026
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Charity Name  
THE LIFE COMMUNITY

No (if any)  
1178447

## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 01-Nov-24	To	Period end date 31-Oct-25
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### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Member donations	4 140	-	-	4 140	5 090
Baptist Church donations	624	-	-	624	3 744
SWBA donation	-	5 000	-	5 000	5 000
Stipend Grant	-	6 500	-	6 500	5 700
Garden Grant	-	-	-	-	1 000
Charity salary contribution	-	12 353	-	12 353	9 279
Sundry	-	-	-	-	131
Interest	-	-	-	-	-
Gift Aid HMRC	1 249	-	-	1 249	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>6 013</b>	<b>23 853</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>29 867</b>	<b>29 944</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>6 013</b>	<b>23 853</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>29 867</b>	<b>29 944</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Baptist Union subscription	88	-	-	88	317
Insurance	644	-	-	644	200
Garden grant	-	-	-	-	1 000
Minsiter salary	697	24 717	-	25 414	23 115
pension	1 382	-	-	1 382	1 055
support	-	-	-	-	150
Room hire	2 113	-	-	2 113	1 956
SWBA donation	1 539	-	-	1 539	678
Sundry	437	-	-	437	425
Travel	14	-	-	14	72
Pippins donation	200	-	-	200	3 846
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>7 113</b>	<b>24 717</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>31 830</b>	<b>32 814</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>7 113</b>	<b>24 717</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>31 830</b>	<b>32 814</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>- 1 099</b>	<b>- 864</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 1 963</b>	<b>- 2 870</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>4 711</b>	<b>864</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5 575</b>	<b>8 444</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>3 612</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3 612</b>	<b>5 574</b>

## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Co-operative bank	3 609	-	-
	Co-operative bank	3	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>3 612</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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			-	-
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	





Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Charity Name  
The Life Community

On accounts for the year  
ended

31<sup>st</sup> October 2025

Charity no  
(if any)

1178447

Set out on pages

1 – 10 of the Trustees Report and 1 to 2 of the Receipts and Payments  
accounts

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above  
charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

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 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I  
have followed 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 (other than that disclosed below \*) 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 Act or
- the accounts do 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.

\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date: 27/04/26

Name:

Howard Hooks

Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):

FCCA  
Association of Chartered Certified Accountants

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Axminster

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

**Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.**