



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1 January 2025 To

31 December 2025

Charity name: Hooe Baptist Church

Charity registration number: 1187358

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The principal purposes of the church are the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination and to advance education and carry out other charitable purposes in the United Kingdom and/or other parts of the world.
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>The activities may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• regular public worship, prayer, Bible study, preaching and teaching;• baptism, as defined in the Baptist Union's Declaration of Principle;• the Communion of the Lord's Supper which shall normally be observed at least once a month;• evangelism and mission, locally, regionally, nationally and internationally;• the teaching, encouragement, welcome and inclusion of young people;• nurture and growth of Christian disciples;• education and training for Christian and community service;• giving and encouraging pastoral care;• supporting and encouraging charitable social action in the United Kingdom and abroad;• encouraging relationships with and supporting Baptists and other Christians.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	In establishing the CIO and throughout its existence, the trustees have given due regard to Charity Commission guidance.

The charitable incorporated organisation (CIO) was approved by the Charity Commission on 14 January 2020.

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	Hooe Baptist Church maintained a full programme of activities and services in 2025. Work with toddlers, young people and drop-in facilities for the community were provided alongside weekly worship services. The church continues to partner with Plymouth Ukraine Medical Aid (PUMA) and serves as a local donation collection point. Supported by Plymouth City Council, the church ran a Warm Spaces venue in the final quarter of the year and was part of the city's Community Recovery Fund project.

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The CIO received £51,503 in 2025 and made payments totalling £58,509. The net deficit was £7,006. The deficit was covered from reserves.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The CIO maintains a reserves policy. Reserves are held to ensure that short-term fluctuations in income do not disrupt the activities of the CIO, to allow time for a considered reaction to any sustained decline in income, and for emergency repairs to properties.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	The CIO held reserves of £24,000 as at 31 December 2025.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	Not applicable.
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	Not applicable.
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	There are no uncertainties.

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document	Para 1.25	Trust deed.
How is the charity constituted?	Para 1.25	CIO.
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions	Para 1.25	Trustees are elected by the members. The minister of the church (appointed by the members) is an <i>ex officio</i> trustee.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Hooe Baptist Church
Other name the charity uses	Not applicable
Registered charity number	1187358
Charity's principal address	Hooe Baptist Church 29 Hooe Road, Hooe, Plymouth. PL9 9QS

Names of the charity trustees who managed the charity as at 31 December 2025

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Hannah J Freeland	Minister		Members
2	Robert G Ashurst	Treasurer		Members
3	Jean M Osmond	Secretary	1/1/25-6/4/25	Members
4	Sally L Dunne			Members
5	Gillian K Webster			Members
6	Kerry Moore			Members
7	Stephen Williams			Members
8	Anne K Rogers	Secretary	7/4/25-31/12/25	Members

There are no corporate trustees

The CIO operates property at 29 Hooe Road, Plymouth, and 1 Stefan Close, Plymouth. Both properties are held in trust on behalf of the CIO by the Baptist Union Corporation.

The charity did not hold any funds on behalf of others, as custodian trustee, in 2025.

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members

Rev. Hannah J. Freeland - Minister



Exemptions from disclosure

No exemptions.

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)	Hannah J Freeland	Anne Rogers
Position	Chair	Secretary
Date	13 May 2026	

**Financial Statement for the year ending
31 December 2025**
Charity Number 1187358



GENERAL RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT				
	Note	2025	2024	
Receipts		£	£	
Gifts & Donations (Gift Aid and GASDS)		32,225.00	28,736.73	
Gifts & Donations (Non-Gift Aid and GASDS)		1,268.30	1,390.00	
Income Tax recovered on Gifts		8,056.25	7,184.19	
Warm Spaces Council Grant		2,100.00	1,700.00	
Other Income inc use of premises	1	2,355.68	2,738.28	
Interest		849.01	1,313.62	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		46,854.24	43,062.82	
Payments				
Donations to other organisations	2	8,616.00	8,549.00	
Ministry	3	22,174.05	21,464.65	
Pension Deficit Contributions		0.00	10.00	
Manse Costs	4	3,167.78	2,707.37	
Upkeep of Church	7	4,500.55	3,997.27	
Administration	8	3,103.51	3,284.90	
Equipment/Maintenance	9	6,108.29	1,638.03	
Mission Outreach & Youth	10	982.44	603.83	
TOTAL PAYMENTS		48,652.62	42,255.05	
Surplus / Deficit for year		-1,798.38	807.77	
Balance Brought Forward		38,015.12	37,207.35	
Balance Carried Forward		36,216.74	38,015.12	
RESTRICTED FUND				
Balance Brought Forward		5,756.02	4,563.61	
Gifts & Donations (Gift Aid and GASDS)		20.00	400.61	
Gifts & Donations (Non-Gift Aid and GASDS)		374.21	2,145.02	
Income Tax recovered on Gifts		5.00	100.15	
SWBA for Network Minister		1,250.00	1,250.00	
Network Minister Role		-1,250.04	-1,249.96	
Community Initiatives		-1,342.00	-1,453.41	
Renewal of defibrillator contract		-2,160.00	0.00	
Total of Restricted Funds	6	2,653.19	5,756.02	
DESIGNATED FUND				
Balance Brought Forward		8,391.40	8,289.73	
Gifts & Donations (Gift Aid and GASDS)		2,086.86	2,099.92	
Gifts & Donations (Non-Gift Aid and GASDS)		390.63	147.29	
Income Tax recovered on Gifts		521.72	524.98	
Donations to other organisations	2	-4,523.00	-2,575.53	
Expenditure on pastoral care		-74.99	0.00	
Expenditure in memory of Pamela Miller		-506.24	-94.99	
Total of Designated Funds	13	6,286.38	8,391.40	
FUND TOTALS				
General Fund (Unrestricted)		36,216.74	38,015.12	
Restricted Funds		2,653.19	5,756.02	
Designated Funds		6,286.38	8,391.40	
TOTAL of ALL FUNDS		45,156.31	52,162.54	
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT 31 DECEMBER				
		2025	2024	
Bank and other cash balances:	11	45,156.31	52,162.54	
Non Monetary Assets	12	2,031,374.00	1,974,167.00	
TOTAL LIABILITIES		0.00	0.00	

Hooe Baptist Church - Financial statement from 1 January 2025 to 31 December 2025

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			2025	2024			2025	2024
			£	£			£	£
1 Rental income: (Unrestricted)					7 Upkeep of Church			
Use of premises			1,349.49	1,874.15	Broadband		463.13	460.80
					Utilities		3,505.15	3,019.47
2 Donations made or due to other organisations					Cleaning		532.27	517.00
	2025	2025	2025	2024			4,500.55	3,997.27
	General A/c	Designated	Total	Total				
		(including GA)						
Home Mission	3,420.00		3,420.00	3,348.00	8 Administration			
BMS	3,420.00		3,420.00	3,348.00	Insurances		1,282.06	1,255.48
BMS Harvest Appeal		406.04	406.04	225.00	Subscriptions & licences		1,197.42	1,163.38
BMS Relief		175.00	175.00	175.00	Website		54.30	129.00
Avail Bolivia	528.00	242.80	770.80	708.50	Supplies and sundry Items		508.73	675.54
Tear Fund		441.83	441.83	153.65	Bank Charges		61.00	61.50
Macmillan		244.57					3,103.51	3,284.90
Release International		392.69	392.69	181.25				
Trevi House		393.75	393.75	0.00	9 Equipment/Maintenance			
Wycliffe Bible Translators		675.61	675.61	162.50	Church Maintenance		304.44	378.01
Mission Aviation Fellowship		231.49	231.49	81.25	Manse Maintenance		264.00	1,260.02
Shekinah Mission		551.45	551.45	135.00	Manse bathroom refurbishment		5,539.85	0.00
Plymouth Street Pastors	192.00		192.00	180.00			6,108.29	1,638.03
D&C Refuge Service		249.26	249.26	475.00	10 Mission Outreach & Youth			
Plymouth YFC	528.00		528.00	516.00	Training		85.00	146.95
The Leprosy Mission		31.25	31.25	362.50	Mission		512.94	92.73
Plymouth Food Bank		428.33	428.33	150.00	Youth		384.50	364.15
DCBC Allotment Fund			0.00	181.25			982.44	603.83
Interserve	528.00		528.00	516.00				
Brain Tumour Research		58.93			11 Bank and other cash balances:			
Other Donations			0.00	61.55	CAF Bank A/c		4,054.36	3,576.48
	8,616.00	4,523.00	12,835.50	10,960.45	CAF BANK Gold A/C		5,076.77	4,098.79
3 Ministry Costs			2025	2024	Kingdom Bank		27,442.21	36,677.95
Minister's stipend, NI and pension contributions			20,634.12	19,742.65	Debtors (see note 5)		8,582.97	7,809.32
Pulpit Exps			1,055.00	705.00	TOTAL MONETARY ASSETS		45,156.31	52,162.54
Ministry Exps			484.93	1,017.00				
			22,174.05	21,464.65				
4 Manse Costs					12 Non-monetary assets: Held for Church's own use			
Council Tax			2,043.04	1,944.77	by the Church's custodian trustee, the Baptist Union Corporation			
Water Charges			560.50	201.00		wef 6/2025	wef 6/2024	
Communications			564.24	561.60	Church + Fittings (Insured value)		1,497,045	1,456,702
			3,167.78	2,707.37	Church manse (Insured value + Fittings)		534,329	517,465
5 Debtors					TOTAL NON-MONETARY ASSETS		2,031,374	1,974,167
HMRC Gift Aid Tax claim			8,582.97	7,809.32				
6 Restricted Fund balances			2025	2024	13 Designated Fund balances			
Community initiatives			2,628.20	3,110.20	Pastoral		2,206.70	2,281.69
Network minister			0.00	0.04	Premises		2,814.08	2,814.08
Defibrillator			24.99	1,965.78	Outside giving		1,265.60	2,789.39
Council grant			0.00	680.00	Pam Miller		0.00	506.25
Total			2,653.19	5,756.02	Total		6,286.38	8,391.41
The accounts and statements of assets and liabilities set out on pages 1 & 2 for the year ending 31 December 2025 are as approved by the Trustees								
Signed	<i>Robert Ashurst</i>				Signed	<i>HUGH J ROXWAY</i>		
Treasurer	Robert Ashurst				Examiner	HUGH J ROXWAY		
Date	30 March 2026				Date	10 4 26		



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees of

Charity Name
HOOE BAPTIST CHURCH

On accounts for the year
ended

31 December 2025

Charity no.:

1187358

Company no.:

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31/12/2025.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law), you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ("the 2006 Act").

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited for this year under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the 2011 Act"). In carrying out my examination, I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act).

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 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; or
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

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.

Signed:

Date: 29/04/2026

Name: Hugh J Rodway

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

Address: 21 Maudlin Drive

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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.

None.