



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date				Period end date		
From	01	01	2024	To	31	12	2024

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Stubbington Baptist Church

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1193362

Charity's principal address

Jay Close
Stubbington
Fareham
Postcode PO14 3TA

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	Dianne Woodhouse	Secretary		Church membership
2	Sue Morgan	Bookkeeper	Resigned Oct 24	Church membership
3	John Griffith	Pastoral	Resigned Jul 24	Church membership
4	John Richards	Fabric		Church membership
5	Carol Fleming	Outreach		Church membership
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution (adopted Feb 2018)
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Unincorporated association
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	The trustees are appointed in line with the church's constitution approved at Church meeting in 2018.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

The church is open to all people of all ages. The trustees oversee the daily day to day running of the church. The trustees seek the views of the members in deciding activities and ways to further God's work in the church.

There is a safeguarding policy in place and a named designated person for safeguarding. Criminal record checks are carried out prior to commencement of volunteers or trustees starting in line with statutory requirements.

All trustees have undertaken Level 2 safeguarding training with some completing Level 3 training.

All trustees give their time voluntarily and received no remuneration or other benefits.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

Advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Regular public worship Baptism Communion of the Lord's Supper Evangelism & worship Teaching, encouragement, welcome and inclusion of young members Nurture and growth of Christian disciples Education & training for Christian and community service Giving and encouraging pastoral care Supporting and encouraging charitable social action in the UK and abroad Encouraging relationships with and supporting Baptists and other Christians Outreach events such as coffee & cake, Snack 'n' Chat, Parent and toddlers and various social events spread throughout the year. In planning the activities for the year, the trustees have considered the Charity commission's guidance on public benefit and the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.
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Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Stubbington Baptist Church is extremely grateful for the regular commitment of its many volunteers who are involved in all areas of the church activities. It is not possible to accurately estimate the number of volunteer hours provided during the year. The number of volunteers giving freely of their time remains high. Their time is given freely and willingly and does not appear in any financial accounts produced by Stubbington Baptist Church.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Wow, what a year that's been since the last AGM.

I think we have come out of the other side smaller in numbers but still smiling and thanking God for all he has done in the life of the Church and for what is to come. We have been very grateful for the support of Jack Walker over the year, and we look forward to working with Jim Thomas as our moderator plus.

We've seen a lot of changes this year. Dorothy Fletcher, Malcolm Drewery and Ruth Bellamy went to be with the Lord.

And as we are all very much aware, we had a lot of resignations received over the last part of 2024.

However, the Church remains a friendly, caring and pastoral church. We share time together in fellowship on Sunday mornings or in a more casual setting of the various socials and activities that take place frequently over the months. There is a lot of love and support within the fellowship of the Church.

We want to thank all the people who work together to ensure that the Church is functioning and hopefully everything works smoothly.

We remain very fortunate to have Bob Rule and David Coram ministering to us regularly and recently we have been blessed to have some visiting preachers bringing God's word to us.

David Coram and Maureen Weeks have continued delivering the service to Ranvilles Care home every month and it is very much welcomed. We want to thank them for their service to this.

The church continues to be well maintained by John Richard's vigilance. We are very blessed to have such a wonderful church building with good facilities. We have seen some refurbishments throughout the building and of course, the automatic door is proving to be a real bonus.

The trustees want to thank various people within the church who help with the life of the Church. We want to thank Bob Rule and David Coram for their continued support and commitment to the life of SBC. All those that lead the Sunday morning services and deliver the all-age talks. Carol Spiller for leading the music group, Lynn Coram, Ann Rule, Maureen Richards, Helen Jenkins and Michael Fletcher, for regularly being part of the music team. Douglas Fleming in his role as bookings administrator. A much-needed income for the Church! Angela Potts and Maureen Richards for their work keeping us updated and informed about various missions and needs. Jill Hill for her dedication to setting up the communion table regularly. Diane Wilson for washing all the horrible t-towels on a regular basis and for the brilliant job she does with the birthday cards. Brian Weeks, who makes sure we don't run out of the essential supplies of tea, coffee, washing up liquid etc. All the foodies, Carol Fleming, Lynn Coram, Brian & Maureen Weeks and Jane Sephton who work tirelessly when providing food for the various socials over the months. All those that open and close the Church for the various bookings that happen. Those that clean the church on a regular basis. Kathy and Lisa Couch for their dedication in maintaining the grounds of the church. David Woodhouse, Emily Woodhouse and Lisa Couch for their work behind the desk every Sunday morning. David Woodhouse for his work on the new website, uploading of the sermons every week and for general IT support and for being Dianne's personal IT technician, Excel expert

and general support.

We have been very grateful to Jack Walker who was our moderator for the year. We were very thankful for his time, support and prayers over the year and for his continued commitment to bring us God's word on a regular basis. We do look forward to hearing him bring God's word again to us when he is able.

We have a few of our members who are unable to be with us anymore and we are very grateful to the various members of this church who faithfully visit them on a regular basis.

With continued prayer, seeking God's guidance throughout, we continue with His work in our community and are thankful to God for all He has done and will continue to do in this, His Church.

Reports from activities / events / mission.

BABY AND TODDLERS

This time last year we were contemplating closing Baby and Toddlers as numbers of those attending were small with an average of 4 each week, and two regular children were due to start school in September 2024. Attendance in the Summer Term increased to 7 and we felt that we should stay open.

Baby and Toddlers meets weekly during term-time. For John and myself to have a break, Douglas and Carol lead the group once a month with longstanding helpers, Mary Ware and Claire Gregory from Shoreline Church. John and I are assisted by Sally and Gary Whitehouse, Jill Hill and Christine Parrett. Occasionally others have assisted after the monthly Prayer Meeting or when we have needed help. We are extremely thankful for this partnership and teamwork.

The adults who come are mostly mothers and grandmothers, though we do occasionally have a father or grandfather attending. We have between 2 and 13 children attending each week, with an average of 7 in the Autumn Term and 7 so far this term. We have some regular families and many less frequent attendees and visitors. A few have attended other SBC activities including Messy Church, Snack 'n Chat, Coffee and Cake, Fun Mornings and church meals.

We have a rotation of activities – red, blue and green, so that different toys come out each week including baby toys, books, puzzles, construction and large toys. In addition, we have a craft table offering colouring, painting, playdoh, chalk or craft and occasionally soft play.

Please continue to pray for Baby and Toddlers, for parents, carers and children as well as the team.

Maureen Richards

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Having lost three Christian families over recent years due to relocation, some families not returning since Covid and other children growing older, we no longer have children of Sunday School age within the church family. We have had a few on the fringe of church and occasional visitors, but a regular Sunday School class has not happened for the past year. I always come with a suitable Bible story, lesson material and activities, just in case, and try to ensure that there are activities available and person on

standby if we are away.

Please pray that God will send some families to SBC.

Maureen Richards

Mission Report, AGM 2025

•At the Harvest Festival service donation envelopes were given out for Operation Agri.

•In October/November the church filled shoeboxes for the Samaritans Purse, Operation Christmas Child Campaign. 16 shoeboxes were completed – double last year and there were also one or two done online. We have recently heard that our shoeboxes were amongst 48,000 others sent to Central Asia.

•Also in October, Maureen Richards brought to our attention the plight of Anandaban hospital in Nepal, a Leprosy Mission hospital which had been devastated by a landslide. As a result, the church gave a one-off payment of £1000 to help with the repair work. A geological survey has now shown that the site is in danger of further landslides and needs to be relocated.

•In January 2025 we had the International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted church, with Open Doors this year focusing on the plight of displaced Christians in Nigeria. Church attendees signed the Arise Africa petition which was sent to Open Doors to add to the many other signatories received.

•In February we had the BMS World Mission Day of prayer. In our prayers we prayed for the work of 2 individual mission workers: Pastor J Laldhawma in Cambodia and Valerie Kisaber in Uganda.

•In March Gabby North from the Leprosy Mission gave a talk on her work with the Mission.

Socials and regular events

Coffee and cake meets on the third Thursday of the month. It continues to be successful with 15 – 20 people attending. The atmosphere is always good, and people interact well with each other. During the year we changed the time from 11am to 10.30 am which has been helpful to some people and means the event is not so rushed.

Snack 'n' Chat is held on the first Thursday of the month, we have a variety of light lunches followed by a sweet treat and tea or coffee. Again, the atmosphere is good and much chatting is done!

We usually have 18 – 23 people attending but last month we had 25.

We do have people who come that don't attend SBC we are very thankful for these people, and they are made to feel welcome,

Socials – Those of you who came to the Burns Night Lunch I am sure will agree that it was very successful and enjoyed by all who came.

By the time you read this we will have had lunch after the Mission Service.

Coming up is Easter Lunch, Bell Ringers with a ploughman's tea, Quiz with afternoon tea, Harvest lunch and Christmas lunch.

If you have not been to a social, coffee and cake or snack 'n' chat before, please do try to come along. You will be made to feel very welcome.

More details will be in the newsletter.

Please pray for all these events. Thank you.

Carol Fleming.

MESSY CHURCH AND FUN MORNINGS.

Messy Church numbers reduced sadly in September to make it unviable, so we discussed what we could do. The proposal of fun mornings evolved. We have had 3 so far, which have been attended by varying numbers.

On 20th February we held our third fun morning. We had 21 children and 25 Adults. Carol Fleming cooked Sausages with rolls which were popular, then cheesecake or jelly. It all went very well; Maureen and John Richards organised the craft and games. Maureen Weeks did a lovely talk about wind. A few other people assisted us, which was really appreciated. We currently only have a small team of helpers, so would welcome some more people to spread the load.

The next event is on Thursday 17th April with an Easter theme. We do advertise in the village and in local booklets that are distributed locally.

Please pray that this venture continues to thrive.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Cash at bank at 31/12/2024 was £129,557 in unrestricted funds, £4050 in restricted funds.

The main financial risk to the charity is loss / reduction of donations and giving from church members and attenders.

The funds are held to cover 6 months operational costs in the event of a loss of income and to meet any unforeseen expenditure that might occur.

The church is also actively seeking a new minister which could involve housing costs, either mortgage or rental.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Not applicable

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The primary source of funds is giving from the church members which includes Gift Aid. This is from planned giving, collections at Church services and donations.

The church also hires out the use of various rooms for various groups. Examples include the local WI, Royal British Legion and NCT.

Highlights of the report were:

- The church's Business Reserve account during the year was added to bringing its total to £125,600
- the full use of the £8,000 allowance for Gift Aid Small Donations Scheme, after researching HMRC's definition of small donations.
- our missionary giving and financial support to 11 Christian organisations
- proposed expenditure, which will include our usual 10% of the past year's income for missionary giving, as well as a number of replacement/refurbishment items.

Section F

Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s) *Dianne Woodhouse*

Full name(s) Dianne Woodhouse

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc) Secretary

Date 10th September 2025

 CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES		Stubbington Baptist Church		1193362		CC16a	
Receipts and payments accounts		For the period from		To		31/12/2024	
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 £		
A1 Receipts							
Cash to bank - plate offerings, food and miscellaneous donation	13,264	-	-	13,264	12,916		
Gift Aid donations	31,130	4,050	-	35,180	32,473		
Gift Aid tax recovered	9,733	-	-	9,733	10,545		
Non Gift Aid donations	1,650	-	-	1,650	11,875		
Other Revenue (refunds etc.)	636	-	-	636	602		
Room hire payments	11,328	-	-	11,328	9,180		
Charitable donations in	-	780	-	780	300		
Grant	800	-	-	800	-		
SSE/OVO Feed-in-tariff payments	4,235	-	-	4,235	-		
Legacy	1,000	-	-	1,000	-		
Interest received	1,612	-	-	1,612	914		
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	75,388	4,830	-	80,218	78,805		
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).							
	-	-	-	-	-		
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-		
Total receipts	75,388	4,830	-	80,218	78,805		
A3 Payments							
Stipend, PAYE & NI, Pensions costs	-	-	-	-	384		
Advertising & Marketing	-	-	-	-	112		
Cleaning	2,333	-	-	2,333	2,115		
Charitable donations - out	-	780	-	780	25		
Computer Equipment	99	-	-	99	3,416		
Direct Expenses (Preaching fees etc.)	1,061	-	-	1,061	1,943		
General Expenses	1,853	-	-	1,853	4,719		
Insurance	1,649	-	-	1,649	1,610		
IT Software & Consumables	-	-	-	-	68		
Kitchen supplies (incl. food & drink)	578	-	-	578	1,742		
Licences	914	-	-	914	818		
Light, Power, Heating	7,955	-	-	7,955	7,161		
Maintenance of building	12,140	-	-	12,140	4,939		
Maintenance of grounds	240	-	-	240	836		
Missionary Giving	9,000	-	-	9,000	7,150		
Postage, Freight & Courier	92	-	-	92	120		
Printer/photocopier costs	385	-	-	385	408		
Printer lease	783	-	-	783	782		
Repairs & maintenance	2,979	-	-	2,979	2,790		
Staff training	540	-	-	540	489		
Stationery/office supplies	81	-	-	81	229		
Subscriptions	588	-	-	588	1,047		
Telephone & Internet	850	-	-	850	698		
MS Windows licences	391	-	-	391	386		
Sub total	44,511	780	-	45,291	43,987		
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)							
	-	-	-	-	-		
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-		
Total payments	44,511	780	-	45,291	43,987		
Net of receipts/(payments)	30,877	4,050	-	34,927	34,818		
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-		
A6 Cash funds last year end	102,730	-	-	102,730	67,912		
Cash funds this year end	133,607	4,050	-	137,657	102,730		

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current account	8,007	-
	Business Reserve account	125,600	4,050
	Total cash funds	133,607	4,050

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Gift Aid unclaimed on Nov/Dec donations	1,165	-	-
	GASDS unclaimed Nov / Dec 24	319	-	-
	OVO FIT payment for 5th Sept - 1st Dec, 24	351	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Building and Land	Unrestricted funds in Bus. Res. a/c	-	1,500,000
	Building contents incl. furniture, fixtures and fittings, computers & other equipment	Unrestricted funds in Bus. Res. a/c	-	100,000
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	DG Cleaning invoice 3372	Unrestricted funds - current account	156	Paid 15/1/25
	British Gas - Gas Bill - Dec'24	Unrestricted funds - current account	991	D/D 23/1/25
	British Gas - Electricity Bill - Dec'24	Unrestricted funds - current account	243	D/D 22/1/25
	PEAC Solutions printer rental 17/12/24 - 16/3/25 - 19days @0.9957/day	Unrestricted funds - current account	19	D/D 2/1/25
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval

C.A. Fleming
J.C. Richards

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J.C. Richards

13/2/25
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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's
report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

STUBBINGTON BAPTIST CHURCH

On accounts for the year
ended

31 DECEMBER 2024

Charity no
(if any)

119 3362

Set out on pages

CC 16A SECTIONS A & B APPROVED 13-2-2025

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above
charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2024.

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 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:

24-2-2025

Name:

IAN DOUGLAS MITCHELL

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

RETAINED MEMBER OF I.C.A.E.W.

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Disclosure

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