

OLD CITY HALL CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

England & Wales · Charity number 1194769

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2021-06-11

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

Contact

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Essex
CO5 8EX

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECT OF THE CIO IS TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC OF MERSEA ISLAND, ESSEX AND NEIGHBOURING DISTRICTS, THROUGH:(A) THE PROVISION OF A BUILDING TO HOLD WORSHIP SERVICES AND EVENTS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC(B) CONTRIBUTING TO A BETTER SOCIETY BY PROMOTING SOCIAL COHESION AND SOCIAL CAPITAL(C) PROVIDING PASTORAL CARE, CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND SOCIAL SUPPORT

Activities: Church servicesPrayer meetingsLadies coffee mornings once a monthMen's breakfast once a monthSpace available to the public for hire

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Essex

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£13,077	£4,746	-	-
2024-12-31	£30,178	£6,024	-	-
2023-12-31	£8,761	£14,525	-	-
2022-12-31	£4,092	£2,309	-	-
2021-12-31	£2,853	£1,237	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ANDREW JAMES FRENCH	Chair	2021-04-29
DAVID RALSTON STEVENSON		2021-04-29
ROSEMARY LEECH		2021-04-29

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 1	Month Jan	Year 2025		Day 31	Month Dec	Year 2025

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

OLD CITY HALL CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1194769

Charity's principal address

13 The Lane
West Mersea
Colchester Essex
Postcode CO5 8 NT

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	ANDREW FRENCH	CHAIR		
2	ROSEMARY LEACH	SECRETARY		
3	DAVID STEVENSON	SAFEGUARDING		
4	COLIN SMITH	RESIGNED	1 JAN 25 to 19 AUG 25	
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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
NONE	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Hon Treasurer	John Fensom	40 Empress Avenue West Mersea Essex CO5 8EX

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)	CIO FOUNDATION CONSTITUTION
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	CIO With three trustees A 4 th Trustee to be appointed at next meeting 3 February 2026.
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Volunteers

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.

CHURCH GROWTH TRUST

Section C Objectives and activities

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

The object of the CIO is to advance the Christian faith for the benefit of the public of Mersea Island Essex, and neighbouring districts, through: (a) the provision of a building to hold worship services and events open to the public (b) contributing to a better society by promoting social cohesion and social capital (c) providing pastoral care, Christian education and social support

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 Sunday Services

Monthly Coffee mornings

Monthly Men's breakfasts

Monthly Prayer meetings

It is certified that:-

All information provided has been checked by the Trustees and is correct and complete to the best of our knowledge.

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.

Several grants to other charities and organisations have been made in this reporting year.

West Mersea	
Beach Club	£100.00
Next Chapter	£200.00
Good News (Gideons)	£50.00
Asia Link	£100.00

N/A

N/A



Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Monthly Prayer meetings

Continuation of Sunday Services

Men's Breakfasts and Ladies' Coffee mornings each once a month

2025 has seen a steady progress towards the building fund target. The current shortfall is £34,259.

We are preparing 22 applications to external grant funders in the hope of hitting the target in the second quarter of 2026. "Spades in the ground" in the 3rd quarter.

The Church has purchased monthly, 200 copies of "*GOOD NEWS NEWSPAPER*" for free distribution to residences in the immediate vicinity of the building. There has been a successful response and circulation will be increased to 250 copies in March 2026.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Reserves are carried forward to subsequent years for the benefit of the church

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

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.

Congregation donations towards God's work (including other charities and organisations. Fundraising for the building project.

Grants to other charities totalling £450.00

N/A

Section F Other optional information

N/A

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	Original signed	Original Signed
Full name(s)	ANDREW JAMES FRENCH	DAVID RALSTON STEVENSON
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	SAFEGUARDING

Date 3 February 2026



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name OLD CITY HALL CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP	No (if any) 1194769
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 1-Jan-25	To	Period end date 31-Dec-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 £
A1 Receipts					
GENERAL PURPOSE FUND	2,595	-	-	2,595	2,787
BUILDING FUND	-	10,482	-	10,482	27,391
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	2,595	10,482	-	13,077	30,178
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	2,595	10,482	-	13,077	30,178
A3 Payments					
GENERAL PURPOSE FUND	601	-	-	601	234
INSURANCE RENT	1,527	-	-	1,527	288
ELECTRICITY	409	-	-	409	253
WATER	209	-	-	209	203
MINISTR	638	-	-	638	431
GRANTS	450	-	-	450	250
BUILDING FUND	-	912	-	912	4,365
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	3,834	912	-	4,746	6,024
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	3,834	912	-	4,746	6,024
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 1,239	9,570	-	8,331	24,154
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	2,145	26,753	-	28,898	4,744
Cash funds this year end	906	36,323	-	37,229	28,898

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 £
B1 Cash funds	MONEY AT BANK	514	36,324	-
	CASH AT HAND	394	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	908	36,324	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	Agreement Error	OK

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
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Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		ANDREW FRENCH	3-Feb-26
		DAVID STEVENSON	3-Feb-26

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West Mersea

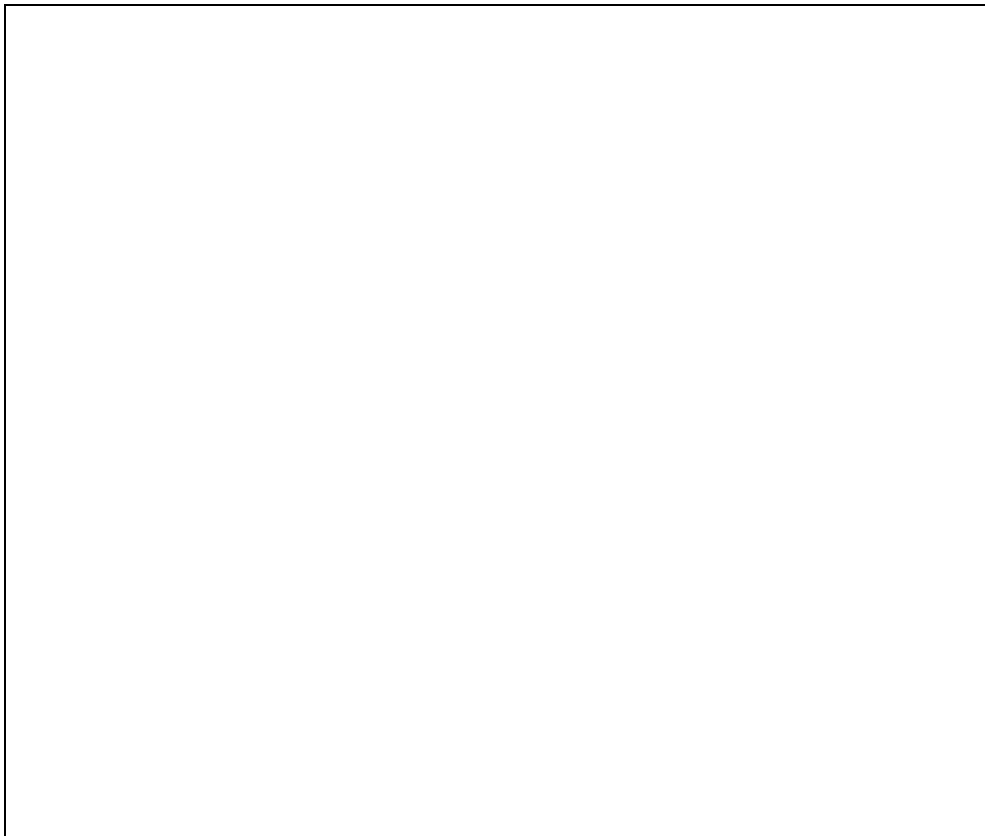
Beach Club £100.00

Open Doors £100.00

Good News (Gideons) £100.00

N/A

N/A



Section D **Achievements and performance**

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

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Continuation of Sunday Services

Men's Breakfasts and Ladies Coffee mornings each once a month

2024 has been an exceptional year for internal fundraising towards the Building enhancement project generating £21871 (including Gift Aid)

We also approached external grant funders and secured £5520 and a further £3000 pledged when the project is ready to proceed.

Applications will continue into 2025.

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- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Congregation donations towards God's work (including other charities and organisations. Fundraising for the building project.

Grants to other charities totalling £300.00

N/A

Section F Other optional information

N/A

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	Original signed	Original Signed
Full name(s)	ANDREW JAMES FRENCH	DAVID RALSTON STEVENSON
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	SAFEGUARDING

Date 24 February 2025



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01-Jan-24	To	Period end date 31-Dec-24
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
general purpose fund	2,787	-	-	2,787	2,615
building fund	-	27,391	-	27,391	6,146
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	2,787	27,391	-	30,178	8,761
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	2,787	27,391	-	30,178	8,761
A3 Payments					
general purpose fund	234	-	-	234	368
insurance	288	-	-	288	418
electricity	253	-	-	253	636
water	203	-	-	203	183
ministry	431	-	-	431	630
grants	250	-	-	250	665
building fund	-	4,365	-	4,365	11,628
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	1,659	4,365	-	6,024	14,528
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	1,659	4,365	-	6,024	14,528
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,128	23,026	-	24,154	- 5,767
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	1,017	3,727	-	4,744	1,782
Cash funds this year end	2,145	26,753	-	28,898	- 3,985

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 £
B1 Cash funds	CASH AT BANK	1,792	26,753	-
	CASH AT HAND	353	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	2,145	26,753	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
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			-	-
B5 Liabilities	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	
	ORIGINAL SIGNED	ANDREW FRENCH	15-Jan-25	
	ORIGINAL SIGNED	DAVID STEVENSON	15-Jan-25	

Old City Hall Christian Fellowship

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year to 31st December 2024

Charity Number 1194769

Old City Hall Christian Fellowship
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the year to 31st December 2024

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Accountants Report

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the year to 31st December 2024

Charity registration number	1194769
Trustees	Andrew French Rosemary Leach Colin Smith David Stevenson
Bankers	Barclays
Accountants	Neil Loxley Accountancy Services

Old City Hall Christian Fellowship

TRUSTEES REPORT

For the year to 31st December 2024

Old City Hall is a charitable CIO incorporated on the 29 April 2021 and registered as a charity. The organisation of the work is in the hands of the trustees. The governing documents provide for new trustees to be appointed by the current trustees.

The objects of the charity are to advance the Christian faith for the benefit of the people of Mersea Island, Essex and neighbouring districts through the provision of a building to hold worship services and events open to the public, contributing to a better society by promoting social cohesion and social capital and providing pastoral care, Christian education and social support. The main area of the charity's operations is the county of Essex.

During the year funds received from all sources have been used to maintain a congregation and building in Mersea with its associated activities.

Financial position

The accounts on pages 3 and 4 set out the transactions for the period. The trustees are satisfied with the overall position. The trustees are confident that the long-term viability of the company is not in question.

Reserves policy

The trustees have examined the charity's requirements for reserves in the light of the main risks to the organisation and consider that the unrestricted funds held by the charity should be between 3- and 12-months expenditure.

Future plans

The trustees plan to continue and grow the activities of the fellowship in forthcoming years.

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Trustee

Old City Hall Christian Fellowship
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
For the year to 31st December 2024

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	2023
	Funds	Funds		
Note	£	£	£	£
Incoming resources				
Gifts and Donations	2,787	27,391	30,178	8,761
Total Incoming Resources	<u>2,787</u>	<u>27,391</u>	<u>30,178</u>	<u>8,761</u>
Charitable expenses				
General Costs	234		234	368
Building and office costs	744	4,365	5,109	12,865
Ministry expenses	431		431	630
Grants and overseas exps	250		250	665
Total Charitable expenses	1,659	4,365	6,024	14,528
Administrative expenses				
Accountancy			0	
Total resources expended	<u>1,659</u>	<u>4,365</u>	<u>6,024</u>	<u>14,528</u>
Surplus for year	1,128	23,026	24,154	-5,767
Retained profit brought forward	1,017	3,727	4,744	1,023
Retained profit carried forward	2,145	26,753	28,898	-4,744

Balance sheet

As at 31st December 2024

	£	£	£	2023
Current assets				
Bank account		28,545		4,069
Cash		<u>353</u>		<u>675</u>
Total current assets		<u>28,898</u>		<u>4,744</u>
Current liabilities	2		0	0
Net assets			<u>28,898</u>	<u>4,744</u>
Unrestricted funds		2,145		1,017
Restricted funds			<u>26,753</u>	<u>3,727</u>
Total funds		<u>2,145</u>	<u>26,753</u>	<u>28,898</u>
On behalf of the Trustees.....				

Old City Hall Christian Fellowship

A company limited by guarantee

Notes to the accounts

For the year to 31st December 2024

1. Accounting policies.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards. There were no material departures from those standards.

a) Basis of preparation of financial statements.

The financial statements have been prepared under historical cost accounting rules. The effect of events relating to the year which occur before the date of approval of the financial statements by the trustees, have been included in the statements to the extent required to show a true and fair view of the state of affairs at the year end and the results for the period ended on that date.

b) Fund accounting.

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees for furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal. The restricted funds are for relief of poverty or need in the congregation or community.

c) Income resources.

Income is included on receipt. The value of services provided by volunteers has not been included in these accounts.

d) Resources expendable.

Expenses are recognised on payment.

e) capital equipment.

The costs of minor additions or those less than £3000 are not capitalised but any fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of the asset over its expected useful life, in all cases estimated at four years.

2. Creditors.

Amounts falling due within one year- Trade creditors £0 p/y £0

3. Trustee remuneration and related party transactions.

No trustee received any remove remuneration during the year. No trustee had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity during the year.

4. Taxation.

As a charity Old City Hall Christian Fellowship is exempt from taxation on income and gains to the extent that these are applied to the charitable objects. No tax charges have arisen in the charity.

5. Analysis of net assets between funds.

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
net current assets	2,145	26,753	28, 898

6. Funds.

The restricted fund is for the building project.

Independent examiners report to the trustees of
Old City Hall Christian Fellowship

I report on the accounts of the trust for the year ended 31st December set out on pages 5 and 6.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner.

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of section 43 (2) of the Charities Act 1993 (The Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 43 (7)(b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiners report.

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiners statement.

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the Act and; to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act have not been met; or
- (2) To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Neil Loxley

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Trustees' Annual Report

for the period

From (start date) to (end date)

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Charity's principal address

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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

Section A**Reference and administration details (continued)**

Names and addresses of advisers (optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Section E**Financial review**

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Details of any funds materially in deficit

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.

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)

Full name(s)

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Date

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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

OLD CITY HALL WEST MERSEA

No (if any)
1194769

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 1st Jan 2023	To	Period end date 31-Dec-23
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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 £
A1 Receipts					
General Purpose Fund	2,615	-	-	2,615	2,195
Building fund	6,146	-	-	6,146	1,897
		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	8,761	-	-	8,761	4,092
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
		-	-	-	
		-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	8,761	-	-	8,761	4,092
A3 Payments					
General Purpose Fund	368	-	-	368	65
Insurance	418	-	-	418	488
Electricity	636	-	-	636	535
Water	183	-	-	183	162
Ministry	630	-	-	630	1,060
Grants	665	-	-	665	-
Building	11,628	-	-	11,628	-
		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
Sub total	14,528	-	-	14,528	2,310
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
		-	-	-	
		-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	14,528	-	-	14,528	2,310
Net of receipts/(payments)	8,761	-	-	8,761	1,782
A5 Transfers between funds		-	-		-
A6 Cash funds last year end	10,510	-	-	10,510	
Cash funds this year end	4,743 #	-	-	4,743	1,782

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 £
B1 Cash funds	Barclays Community Account	4,068	-	-
	Cash at Hand	675	-	-
			-	-
	Total cash funds	4,743	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

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

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
Original signed	David Stevenson	26-Jan-24
Original signed	Andrew French	26-Jan-24

OLD CITY HALL CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

England & Wales - Charity number 1194769

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 1	Month Jan	Year 2022		Day 31	Month Dec	Year 2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

OLD CITY HALL CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1194769

Charity's principal address

13 The Lane
 West Mersea
 Colchester Essex
 Postcode **CO5 8 NT**

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	ANDREW FRENCH	CHAIR		
2	ROSEMARY LEACH	SECRETARY		
3	DAVID STEVENSON	SAFEGUARDING		
4	COLIN SMITH			
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18				

Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
NONE	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Building Project manager	Martin Leach	13 Chapel Close Capel St Mary Suffolk IP9 2ES
Hon Treasurer	John Fensom	40 Empress Avenue West Mersea Essex CO5 8EX

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)	CIO FOUNDATION CONSTITUTION
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	CIO With four trustees
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Volunteers

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.

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Section C Objectives and activities

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

The object of the CIO is to advance the Christian faith for the benefit of the public of Mersea Island Essex, and neighbouring districts, through: (a) the provision of a building to hold worship services and events open to the public (b) contributing to a better society by promoting social cohesion and social capital (c) providing pastoral care, Christian education and social support

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 Sunday Services

Monthly Coffee mornings

Monthly Men's breakfasts

Monthly Prayer meetings

It is certified that:-

All information provided has been checked by the Trustees and is correct and complete to the best of our knowledge.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

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

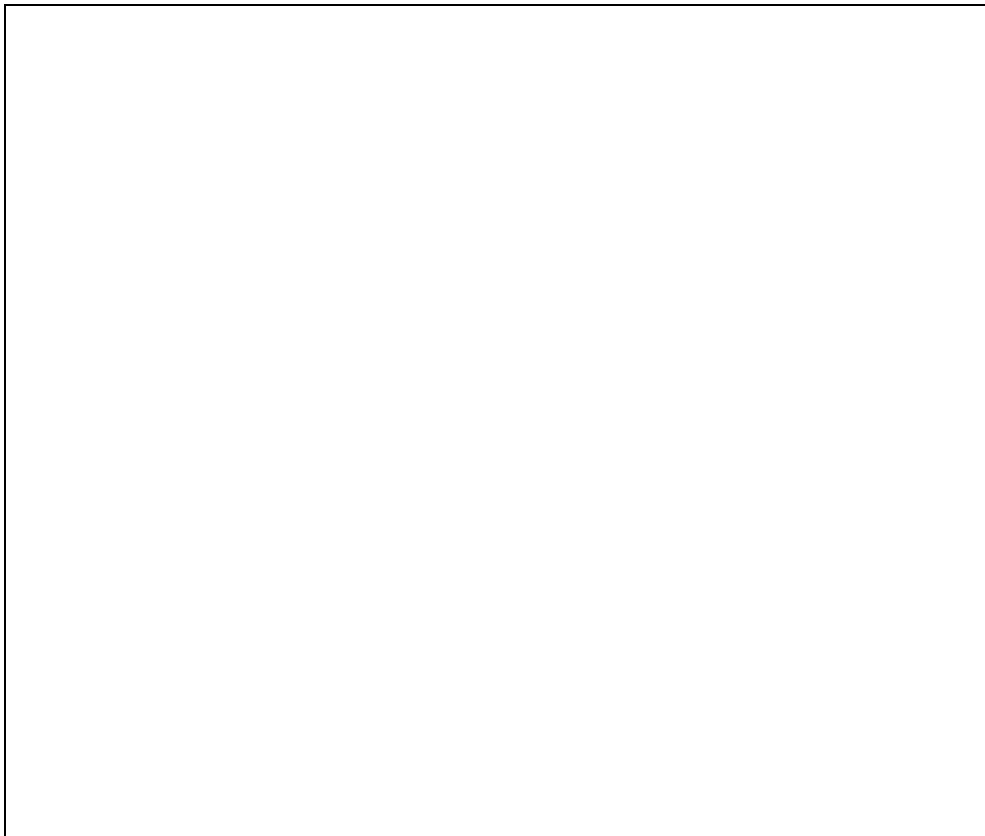
- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Several grants to other charities and organisations have been made in this reporting year.

Asia Link	£50.00
DEC Ukraine	£300.00
Next Chapter	£100.00
West Mersea	
Beach Club	£100.00
West Mersea	
Porch Pantry	£120.08
Vinjeru School	£100.00

N/A

N/A



Section D **Achievements and performance**

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Monthly Prayer meetings

Continuation of Sunday Services

Men's Breakfasts and Ladies Coffee mornings each once a month

Fundraising has continued for the proposed building extension and modernisation project.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Reserves are carried forward to subsequent years for the benefit of the church

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

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.

Congregation donations towards Gods work (including other charities and organisations. Fundraising for the building project.

Grants to other charities totalling £770.08

N/A

Section F Other optional information

N/A

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	Original signed	Original Signed
Full name(s)	ANDREW JAMES FRENCH	DAVID RALSTON STEVENSON
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	SAFEGUARDING

Date 23 Jan 2023



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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 £
A1 Receipts					
General Purpose Fund	2,195	-	-	2,195	1,674
Building fund	1,897	-	-	1,897	1,179
		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	4,092	-	-	4,092	2,853
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
		-	-	-	
		-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	4,092	-	-	4,092	2,853
A3 Payments					
General Purpose Fund	65	-	-	65	152
Insurance	488	-	-	488	516
Electricity	535	-	-	535	141
Water	162	-	-	162	158
Ministry	1,060	-	-	1,060	270
Building	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
Sub total	2,310	-	-	2,310	1,237
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
		-	-	-	
		-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	-	-	1,237
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,782	-	-	1,782	1,616
A5 Transfers between funds		-	-		-
A6 Cash funds last year end	8,728	-	-	8,728	
Cash funds this year end	10,510 #	-	-	10,510	1,616

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 £
B1 Cash funds	Barclays Community Account	10,469	-	-
	Cash at Hand	41	-	-
			-	-
	Total cash funds	10,510	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

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

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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B5 Liabilities			-	
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			-	
			-	

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Original signed	Andrew French	23-Jan-23