



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01/10/2023 Period start date To 30/09/2024 Period end date

Charity name: GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH PENSNETT

Charity registration number: 1195021

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The relief of financial hardship by provision of funds / services. The relief of mental and physical sickness by counselling and support to individuals. To join with other organisations in a common effort to advance education and provide facilities for social welfare.
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	A place of worship is provided at the charity's address, open to all. In addition, meetings are held through the week to encourage public participation. e.g. morning friendship group; men /women breakfast meeting; parent / toddler group; special celebration services; Sunday school for all children. The charity provides a foodbank facility on the premises for those in need, working in cooperation with the Black Country Food Bank. Additional gifts are provided at Christmas. One to one counselling is provided when necessary, regarding problems in relationships, mental health and addiction. The charity provides a chaplaincy at a local high school and works also giving instruction at local primary schools. The church is part of the national "warm welcome" place during winter months to help families reduce heating bills. The church is used as a Cost of Living" hub to help families in financial difficulties. The Family Solutions project also used the church for counselling sessions. A youth group meets on a weekly basis.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity	Para 1.18	The Trustees have regarded the Charity Commission advice in determining compliance with public benefit.

Commission on public benefit		
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	n/a
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	n/a
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	All support for activities of the charity is performed by volunteers.
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>The Charity is seen to be part of the community – the Pastor is regularly used for weddings and funerals. Foodbank is always available for members of the community, working closely with BCFB to keep shelves full. Donations on a regular basis also from church members.</p> <p>Members of local community have attended the weekly friendship group, and the church offers a warm welcome space on several days during the week. The parent and toddler group is fully attended by local parents. Hundreds of local people have passed through the church during the Cost-of-Living Hub operation. The local high school now considers the charity as a partner and actively encourages pupils to attend its youth group.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

		All achievements are in line with charity objectives.
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Achievements against objectives set		
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	n/a
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	n/a
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Income balance expenditure. Care is taken to ensure reserves are maintained.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Reserves are held in bank account for day-to-day expense and for maintenance projects and one-off expenditure.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Current balance £17,292
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	n/a
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	n/a
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	n/a

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	Church members' donation.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	n/a
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	n/a
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
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	Trustees are elected from membership for 3 years by properly convened meeting of the Trustees.

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	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Grace Community Church Pensnett
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1195021
Charity's principal address	Commonside Brierley Hill DY5 4AJ

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	Keith Collier	Chair)
2	Mark Bishop) Resolution at meeting
3	Sam Fentem-Rowe)
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name	n/a	

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
	n/a	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	n/a
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	n/a
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	n/a

Additional information (optional)**Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)**

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

n/a

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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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)	SAM FENTEM-ROWE	KEITH COLLIER
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	—	CHAIR

Date 9/11/24



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Charity Name
GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH PENSNETT

No (if any)
1195021

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
01/10/2023

To

Period end date
30/09/2024


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					
DONATIONS	27,871	-	-	27,871	29,815
GIFT AID CLAIM	5,641	-	-	5,641	5,650
OTHER	3,910	-	-	3,910	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	37,422	-	-	37,422	35,465
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	37,422	-	-	37,422	35,465
A3 Payments					
PAYMENT TO MINISTER	27,600	-	-	27,600	26,400
UTILITIES	2,151	-	-	2,151	1,890
INSURANCE	561	-	-	561	338
TELEPHONE	612	-	-	612	346
REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	1,967	-	-	1,967	3,563
MISSION	3,750	-	-	3,750	2,258
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	36,641	-	-	36,641	34,795
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	36,641	-	-	36,641	34,795
Net of receipts/(payments)	781	-	-	781	670
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	16,511	-	-	16,511	15,841
Cash funds this year end	17,292	-	-	17,292	16,511

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	BANK BALANCE	17,292	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	17,292	-	-
	(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)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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			-	-
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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
	SAM FENTON-ROWE	27/10/24
Keith Collier	KEITH COLLIER	27/10/24



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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH PENSNETT

On accounts for the year
ended

30/09/2024

Charity no
(if any)

1195021

Set out on pages

(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:

19/11/24

Name:

Connor Tracey

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

Address:

12 Forth Way

Halesauen

B62 9PR

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.