

SWANTON ABBOTT COMMUNITY CHAPEL

England & Wales · Charity number 1195565

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2021-08-19

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

Contact

Address The Street
Swanton Abbott
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Activities

Objects: TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC, IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY THROUGH THE HOLDING OF SERVICES FOR RELIGIOUS WORSHIP, PROVIDING PASTORAL CARE AND CARRYING OUT OUTREACH WORK IN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY.

Activities: .

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Norfolk

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-02-28	£33,700	£38,000	-	-
2024-02-29	£34,100	£19,700	-	-
2023-02-28	£20,800	£11,328	-	-
2022-02-28	£46,480	£15,307	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Derek Charles Muspratt		2023-07-01
Jayne Trott		2024-11-13

SWANTON ABBOTT COMMUNITY CHAPEL

England & Wales - Charity number 1195565

Accounts

Annual report and accounts for the period

1st March 2024 to 28th February 2025

Reference and administrative details

Trustees

K. J. Everard (Chair)
S. Abraham
D. Muspratt
J. Trott (appointed 12.11.24)
I. Vessey

Registered address: The Street, Swanton Abbott, Norfolk NR10 5DU

Registered Charity number:1195565

**Independent Examiner: R C Huddleston, R Huddleston Accounting Services,
Valley farm Bungalow, Valley Farm Lane, Melton, Woodbridge, Suffolk IP12 1LL**

Bankers: Barclays Bank Plc, Leicester LE87 2BB

Report of the trustees for the period ended 28th February 2025

The trustees present their report and accounts for the period ended 28th February 2025.

Structure, Governance and Management

Swanton Abbott Community Chapel is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation formed on the 19th August 2021. The leadership team is made up of three unpaid volunteers, one of which is paid a small ministry allowance. The chapel remains an active member of Churches Together in North Walsham, an ecumenical group of churches, meeting regularly to encourage one another, and building unity across the different denominations locally. The chapel is also a member of the Evangelical Alliance. The chapel is registered for Gift Aid with HMRC. We are always grateful to all trustees and volunteers who give of their time voluntarily. The trustees continue to meet quarterly.

Aims and Objectives

Our primary objectives are to fulfil the role of a Christian church in the rural village of Swanton Abbott, promoting and advancing the Christian faith in the local area, and serving the community where we are.

Financial Results and Reserves

For the period ended 28th February 2025 there was income of £33749. Expenditure was £38088, and this created an excess of expenditure over income of £4339, which was taken from reserves. This is explained by substantial maintenance to the building which included a new floor and carpet, and a new heating system (partly paid for by a grant).

Despite the extra expenditure, we find ourselves in a healthy financial position going forward into next year.

Mission/Outreach/Community work

The chapel website and Facebook page are organically growing and improving. Our presence on Google and other websites where the public may be searching for a local church have helped new people join our congregation. We still post a monthly biblical Pause for Thought feature on the village Facebook group which provides a few simple thoughts on a topic. The chapel also writes an article in the village newsletter The Abbott, and in the local parish Kings Beck news, giving details of the chapel activities.

Welcome packs are delivered to all new occupants moving into the village, which helps us connect with new people, and these are always well received.

Mother's Day and Father's Day services continue to be good opportunities to invite the local community in, with special gifts for those who come. These occasions are linked to biblical truths.

Easter was marked with a Easter crafts, kids and coffee morning when we served hot cross buns, had children's craft activities, gave out chocolate eggs. Easter Sunday, we had a wonderful celebration service. We gave away chocolate eggs to the village, with Easter story booklets and colouring sheets for everyone!

We continue to have a variety of speakers at the chapel. We have themed weeks and short series. We endeavour to ensure our services are accessible to those with no church background but provide bible teaching for Christians also. We had external speakers from Compassion UK, Fisherman's Mission, and Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF). Some examples of our themes have been Marvellous Mums and Daring Dads found in the bible, and what we can learn from their lives. We also journey through books in the bible eg the book of Acts, a series that is continuing into the next year.

We hosted a bring and share lunch and a harvest supper evening, with a quiz – both were well attended and brought people together.

Another Alpha course ran through the summer months. Our Alpha courses are an opportunity for local people to ask basic questions about the Christian faith.

In June, we were pleased to baptise three ladies by full immersion – the first ever baptism in the history of the chapel. A pool was hired in, and they gave testimony to how God has changed their lives.

The Village Revels fun day was held in June this year. The chapel took an active part, as chapel leaders helped in the set up, and compered the event.

The chapel supported the Norfolk Churches Trust annual bike ride. We opened for free refreshments and a much-needed toilet to all taking part in the bike/ride/walk challenge - a unique way to connect with lots of new people.

For harvest in September, we supported the North Norfolk Food bank harvest appeal, by being a collecting point in the village for anyone who wanted to donate food items and monetary donations, and several bags of food were dropped off at the food bank. There is now an ongoing basket at the back of the church for anyone wishing to donate throughout the year.

The chapel decided to take on the sponsorship of a child through Compassion UK, and now support Marvin in Uganda, corresponding with him regularly.

On the fifth Sunday of the month, our more informal, relaxed event/service is primarily aimed at those who have no church background. A couple of examples would be that we held a café style event with captivating testimonies from the Christian Motorcyclists Association, who brought 5 of their members with bikes on display at the village hall. September saw the visit of a Christian children's entertainer John Hardwick, and he delighted all the children who came with his juggling, Cheeky Charlie the monkey, and his stories and cool songs. There was a Christian theme to his programme.

For Christmas, the chapel leader, Jane Everard, once again launched a pop up community choir and many new people joined from the village and the surrounding area - a great way to bring people together and into the chapel.

A local four piece band (formed for the occasion) led our annual candlelit carol service. The community choir brought the message of Christmas in song. The choir also sang at The Goat Public House, in the next village, and they led carol singing around the village of Swanton Abbott. After the carol singing, the chapel was open for a social evening of community carols, mulled wine and festive treats.

Our illuminated crib scene outside the chapel raised awareness to the village of the true message of Christmas.

Our Christmas community charitable project involved collecting individual chocolate bars for the Mathew Project in Norwich, who support people overcoming issues with drugs, alcohol and mental health. These were wrapped with bookmarks and a bible message of hope at Christmas, and were presented to those finishing their recent recovery support programme. The village got involved with this too, dropping off chocolate bars throughout November.

Throughout 2024, we became the village collecting point for the recycling of empty printer cartridges and mobile phones. We also had two table top sales – raising a grand sum of £100 which we presented to the village hall committee.

We continue to make the building available to others in the community as appropriate.

The chapel looks to provide pastoral and financial support to individuals and families in need within the locality, as and when they come to our attention.

Twice a month, we run Coffee on The Corner, a café style community coffee morning. With free refreshments and home-made cakes, it becomes a place for those who could do with some company or who like to socialise, to meet others and make new friends. It serves as a cosy warm place for people to come to throughout the winter months. We offer a book swap facility, with quizzes on the tables, and a folder of useful contact information, health and medical leaflets and organisations offering advice and help.

Throughout this year, our congregation has grown on a Sunday, and we are very encouraged by the work God is doing in our midst.

Approved by the trustees on 7 May 2025 and signed on their behalf by

Kevin John Everard
Chair of Trustees

SWANTON ABBOTT COMMUNITY CHAPEL
FOR THE YEAR 28TH FEBRUARY 2025

MONTHS 12

CHARITY REGISTRATION NO. 1195585

	2023/24	ANNUAL BUDGET 2024/25	YTD BUDGET 2024/25	YTD BUDGET VARIANCE
	£	£	£	
INCOME and EXPENDITURE Account				
INCOME				
GIFT AID DONATIONS	7765	8500	8500	864
GENERAL OFFERINGS	3046	3300	3300	288
DONATIONS	11700	200	200	977
FUNERAL & WEDDING INCOME	40	200	200	-160
COFFEE ON THE CORNER INCOME	394	300	300	94
INTEREST INCOME	1817	1300	1300	517
GIFT AID TAX RECLAIM	3716	3500	3500	216
MICELLANEOUS INCOME	5289	5150	5150	139
RENTAL INCOME NELSON WAY FLAT & GARAGE	8365	8000	8000	365
TOTAL INCOME	34156	30460	30460	3799
EXPENDITURE				
MINISTRY ALLOWANCES & EXPENSES				
MISSION & OUTREACH	2400	4800	4800	400
VISITING SPEAKERS FEES	2171	2500	2500	-412
CHURCH - PROPERTY MAINTENANCE	470	2000	2000	-239
CHURCH - UTILITIES	1114	13300	13300	6155
CHURCH - TELEPHONE	2275	3100	3100	-2044
CHURCH - EQUIPMENT	505	600	600	-201
INSURANCE	5684	5000	5000	-3723
STATIONERY AND ADMINISTRATION	479	538	538	0
TRAINING	562	650	650	285
CHARITABLE DONATIONS	163	250	250	-212
HOSPITALITY FOOD TEA & COFFEE	1088	3500	3500	-1989
LEGAL & PROFESSIONAL FEES	533	1000	1000	-196
BANK CHARGES	293	500	500	-500
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES	0	0	0	0
RENTAL EXPENSES NELSON WAY FLAT & GARAGE	0	200	200	-200
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	19779	39938	39938	1025
SURPLUS OF INCOME (EXPENDITURE)	14377	-9488	-9488	5149
SWANTON ABBOTT COMMUNITY CHAPEL				
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 28TH FEBRUARY 2025				
ASSETS				
BARCLAYS BANK ACCOUNT NO. 93156001	7618			
BARCLAYS BANK SAVINGS ACCOUNT NO. 60684449	47427			
KINGDOM BANK ACCOUNT NO. 2001-01039-X	0			
PETTY CASH				
TOTAL ASSETS	55045			
LIABILITIES				
GENERAL FUND AS AT 1st MARCH 2024	55045			
PLUS SURPLUS OF INCOME (EXPENDITURE)	-4339			
GENERAL FUND AS AT 28TH FEBRUARY 2025	55045			
RESTRICTED FUNDS	0			
TOTAL LIABILITIES	55045			

ASSETS
BARCLAYS BANK ACCOUNT NO. 93156001
BARCLAYS BANK SAVINGS ACCOUNT NO. 60684449
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PETTY CASH

TOTAL ASSETS

LIABILITIES

GENERAL FUND AS AT 1st MARCH 2024
PLUS SURPLUS OF INCOME (EXPENDITURE)
GENERAL FUND AS AT 28TH FEBRUARY 2025

RESTRICTED FUNDS

TOTAL LIABILITIES

I have examined the Accounts of Swanton Abbott Community Chapel for the year ending 28th February 2025 and found them to be in agreement with the financial records.



Signed

R. Huddleston Date 22/04/2028
Accounting Services



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

Charity Name
SWANTON ABBOTT COMMUNITY CHAPEL

On accounts for the year
ended

28TH FEBRUARY 2025

Charity no
(if any) 1195565

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 28th February 2025.

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.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention 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.

Independent
examiner's statement

Signed:

Date: 22/04/25

Name:

R C HUDDLESTONE

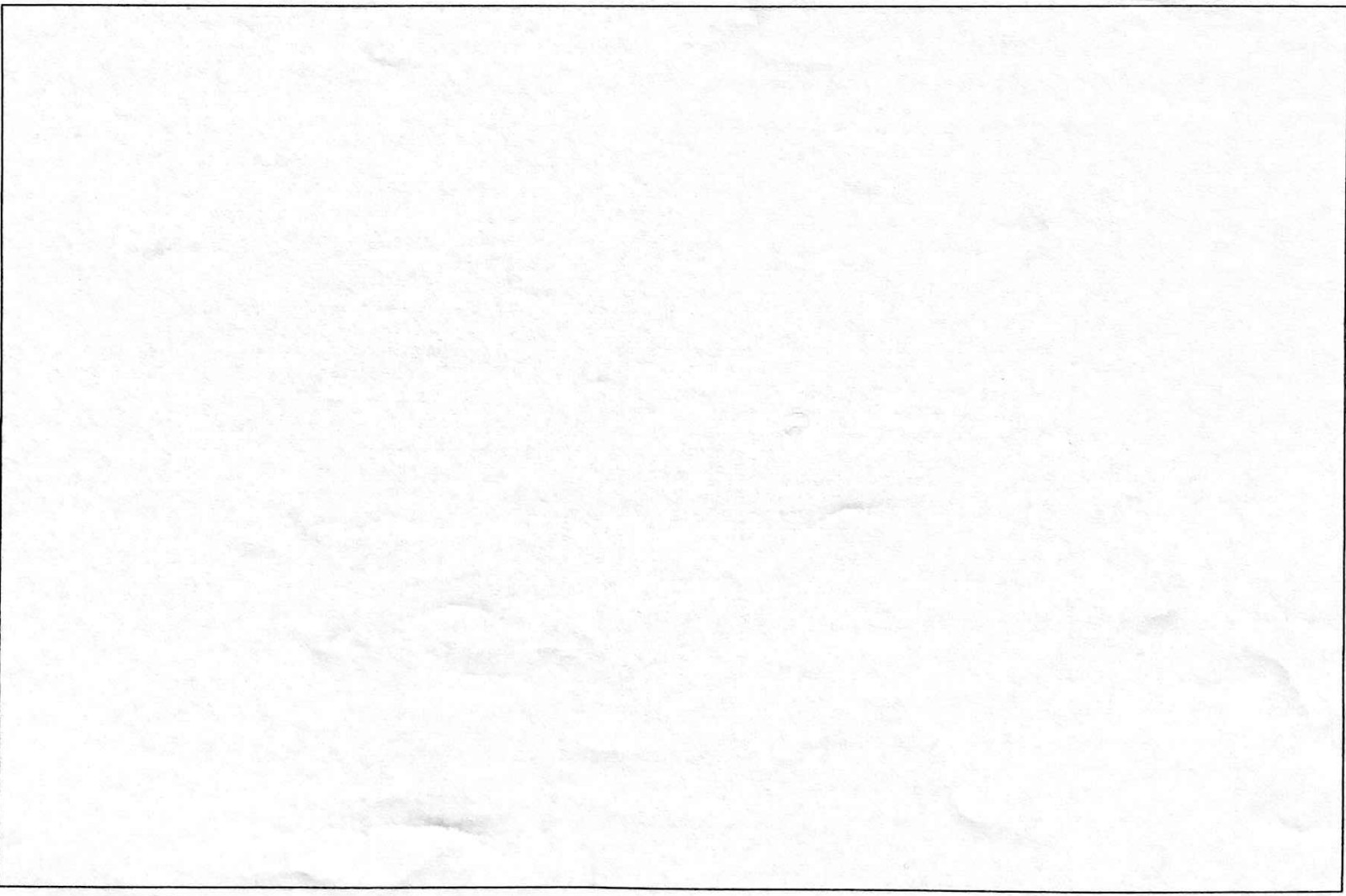
Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

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VALLEY FARM BUNGALOW, VALLEY FARM LANE
MELTON, WOODBRIDGE
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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.



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England & Wales - Charity number 1195565

Accounts

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Reference and administrative details

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S. Abraham

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K.C. Bonner (resigned May 2023, passed away July 2023)

D. Muspratt (appointed July 2023)

I. Vessey (appointed May 2023)

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Aims and Objectives

Our primary objectives are to fulfil the role of a Christian church in the rural village of Swanton Abbott, promoting and advancing the Christian faith in the local area, and serving the community where we are.

Financial Results and Reserves

For the period ended 28th February 2024 there was income of £34156. Expenditure was £19779, and this created a surplus of £14377. This means our reserves are now increased to £55045.

Throughout this accounting period, expenditure has once again been closely monitored and well managed. We have been blessed to have more regular donors join us, plus we received a special one-off donation of £11280. We find ourselves in a very good financial position going forward into the next financial year.

Mission/Outreach/Community work

The chapel maintains a website and Facebook page with a growing number of followers (150 to date), and a good presence on Google and other websites where the public may be searching for a local church. We still post a monthly biblical Pause for Thought feature on the village Facebook group (with over 260 members to date), to inspire and stimulate thinking about the Christian faith with local people. The chapel also writes regular articles for the village newsletter so the activities of the chapel are advertised well.

Welcome packs are delivered to all new occupants moving into the village, giving us an opportunity for the chapel to introduce itself, helping us to connect with new people.

Mother's Day and Father's Day were both superb opportunities to invite the local community in, with services of thanksgiving and special gifts for those who came.

Easter was marked with a community coffee morning when we served hot cross buns, had children's craft activities, and chocolate eggs. We also hosted a lent lunch for Churches Together in North Walsham. On Maundy Thursday, we organised an evening dinner event with wine, and the chapel was full. The after-dinner speakers both tragically had lost a limb in an accident, and gave their story of how God had helped them through it. Easter Sunday, we had a celebration service, with chocolate eggs given away, and local villagers came. Outside the chapel there were Easter story booklets, colouring sheets and eggs for anyone in the village to help themselves to.

To mark the King's coronation, we gave away 30 God Save the King Coronation booklets at the village Coronation lunch, and several more to other villagers. These booklets told of the importance of faith to our King.

The chapel invites a variety of speakers on a Sunday and week by week, short themed series are followed, all of which are designed to be accessible to those with no church background but provides teaching for mature Christians also. For example, we have had external speakers from The Salvation Army, Fisherman's Mission, Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF). We enjoyed a Sunday series entitled Meals with Jesus during May and June – and this included our first bring and share lunch – an opportunity to get to know the church family better.

Another Alpha course ran through June and July. Our Alpha courses are an opportunity for local people to ask basic questions about the Christian faith. There are plans for another Alpha course to run in 2024.

The Village Revels fun day was held in June this year. The chapel took an active part, as chapel leaders Jane and Kevin Everard helped in the set up, and in the entertainment programme.

We ran a fundraising summer community coffee morning in aid of the Alzheimer's Society, which raised a good sum for the charity.

The chapel once again supported the Norfolk Churches Trust annual bike ride. We opened for free refreshments and a much-needed toilet (!) to all taking part in the bike/ride/walk challenge - a unique way to connect with lots of new people.

We celebrated harvest in September, and in the weeks running up to it, the chapel was the central collecting point for unwanted tools, computer equipment and sewing machines etc. Local Christian charity Tools With A Mission (TWAM) spoke at the event, and took several loads of tools with them – all for refurbishment and sending out to Africa at some point.

On the fifth Sunday of the month, our more informal, relaxed event/service is primarily aimed at those who have no church background. A couple of examples would be that we held a café style event with bacon rolls and pastries, while a local minister gave his story of a life lived through pictures, and many new people came to hear his story of faith. July was the month we held a Summer Praise event in the chapel, when the local community were given the chance to choose their favourite hymns, accompanied by the local Salvation Army band. Tea and cake were enjoyed

afterwards. Also, another event later in the year, saw the chapel full again as a local Gospel choir helped us in our worship, and sang a superb programme too, and tea and cake were served.

For Christmas, the chapel leader, Jane Everard, once again launched a pop up community choir – and 32 signed up including many new people from the village. The choir then sang at two chapel events, both of which were well attended, and led carol singing around the village. The choir included those who don't read music, and those who have never sung in a choir before.

The local Salvation Army band led our annual carol service once more. A collection was taken to help the Salvation Army work locally. Our illuminated crib scene outside the chapel raised awareness to the village of the true message of Christmas.

Our Christmas community charitable project involved being the central collecting point for the women and children's clothes. These were for the Leeway project in Norwich, a local charity who supports victims of domestic violence and abuse. A huge amount of clothing was donated, and two table top sales raised over £60.

Throughout 2023, we became the village collecting point for the recycling of empty printer cartridges and mobile phones – raising a small sum which purchased wildflower seeds and bulbs for the garden of Abbottswood Lodge residential home in our village.

We continue to make the building available to others in the community particularly during the season when the local village hall was undergoing refurbishment.

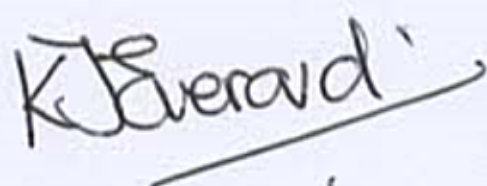
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Twice a month, we run Coffee on The Corner, when the chapel is set up as a café style community coffee morning. With free refreshments and home-made cakes, it becomes a super setting for those who could do with some company or who like to socialise, to meet others and make new friends. It served as a cosy place for people to come to throughout the winter months. Nowhere else in Swanton Abbott serves coffee so we like to provide a facility for all those locally.

Throughout this financial period, our congregation has grown on a Sunday, and we are very encouraged by the work God is doing in our midst.

Approved by the trustees on 22 April 2024 and signed on their behalf by

Kevin John Everard
Chair of Trustees

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "K. Everard". The signature is written in a cursive style and is underlined with a single horizontal line.

**SWANTON ABBOTT COMMUNITY CHAPEL
FOR THE YEAR 29TH FEBRUARY 2024**

MONTHS 12

CHARITY REGISTRATION NO. 1195565

INCOME and EXPENDITURE Account	2023/24	2022/23	ANNUAL BUDGET 2023/24	YTD BUDGET 2023/24	YTD BUDGET VARIANCE
	£	£	£	£	
INCOME					
GIFT AID DONATIONS	7765	7185	10000	10000	-2235
GENERAL OFFERINGS	3046	2274	2500	2500	546
DONATIONS	11700	110	170	170	11530
FUNERAL & WEDDING INCOME	200	0	0	0	200
COFFEE ON THE CORNER INCOME	217	415	300	300	-83
INTEREST INCOME	179	0	300	300	-121
GIFT AID TAX RECLAIM	3153	2232	3300	3300	-147
MICELLANEOUS INCOME	25	1220	0	0	25
RENTAL INCOME NELSON WAY FLAT & GARAGE	7870	7386	7420	7420	450
TOTAL INCOME	34156	20822	23990	23990	10166
EXPENDITURE					
MINISTRY ALLOWANCES & EXPENSES	2400	2498	4114	4114	-1714
MISSION & OUTREACH	2171	1261	3721	3721	-1551
VISITING SPEAKERS FEES	470	500	450	450	20
CHURCH - PROPERTY MAINTENANCE	1114	908	1200	1200	-86
CHURCH - UTILITIES	2275	938	2200	2200	75
CHURCH - TELEPHONE	505	526	600	600	-95
CHURCH - EQUIPMENT	5684	1964	8800	8800	-3116
INSURANCE	479	0	479	479	0
STATIONERY AND ADMINISTRATION	562	356	963	963	-401
TRAINING	163	0	200	200	-37
CHARITABLE DONATIONS	1088	745	2800	2800	-1712
HOSPITALITY FOOD TEA & COFFEE	533	206	913	913	-381
LEGAL & PROFESSIONAL FEES	293	70	100	100	193
BANK CHARGES	0	0	0	0	0
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES	0	144	200	200	-200
RENTAL EXPENSES NELSON WAY FLAT & GARAGE	2042	1210	2000	2000	42
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	19779	11328	28741	28741	-8962
SURPLUS OF INCOME (EXPENDITURE)	14377	9494	-4751	-4751	19128

**SWANTON ABBOTT COMMUNITY CHAPEL
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 29TH FEBRUARY 2024**

ASSETS		
BARCLAYS BANK ACCOUNT NO. 20937754	0	35967
BARCLAYS BANK ACCOUNT NO. 93156001	7618	4700
BARCLAYS BANK SAVINGS ACCOUNT NO. 60684449	47427	
PETTY CASH		0
TOTAL ASSETS	55045	40668
LIABILITIES		
GENERAL FUND AS AT 1st MARCH 2023	40668	40668
PLUS SURPLUS OF INCOME (EXPENDITURE)	14377	
GENERAL FUND AS AT 29TH FEBRUARY 2024	55045	40668
RESTRICTED FUNDS		0
TOTAL LIABILITIES	55045	40668

I have examined the Accounts of Swanton Abbott Community Chapel for the year ending 29th February 2024 and found them to be in agreement with the financial records.

Signed



R.Huddleston
Accounting Services

Date

27/04/2024

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
SWANTON ABBOTT COMMUNITY CHAPEL

**On accounts for the year
ended**

29TH FEBRUARY 2024

**Charity no
(if any)**

1195565

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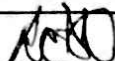
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Signed:



Date:

27/04/24

Name:

R C HUDDLESTONE

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

Address:

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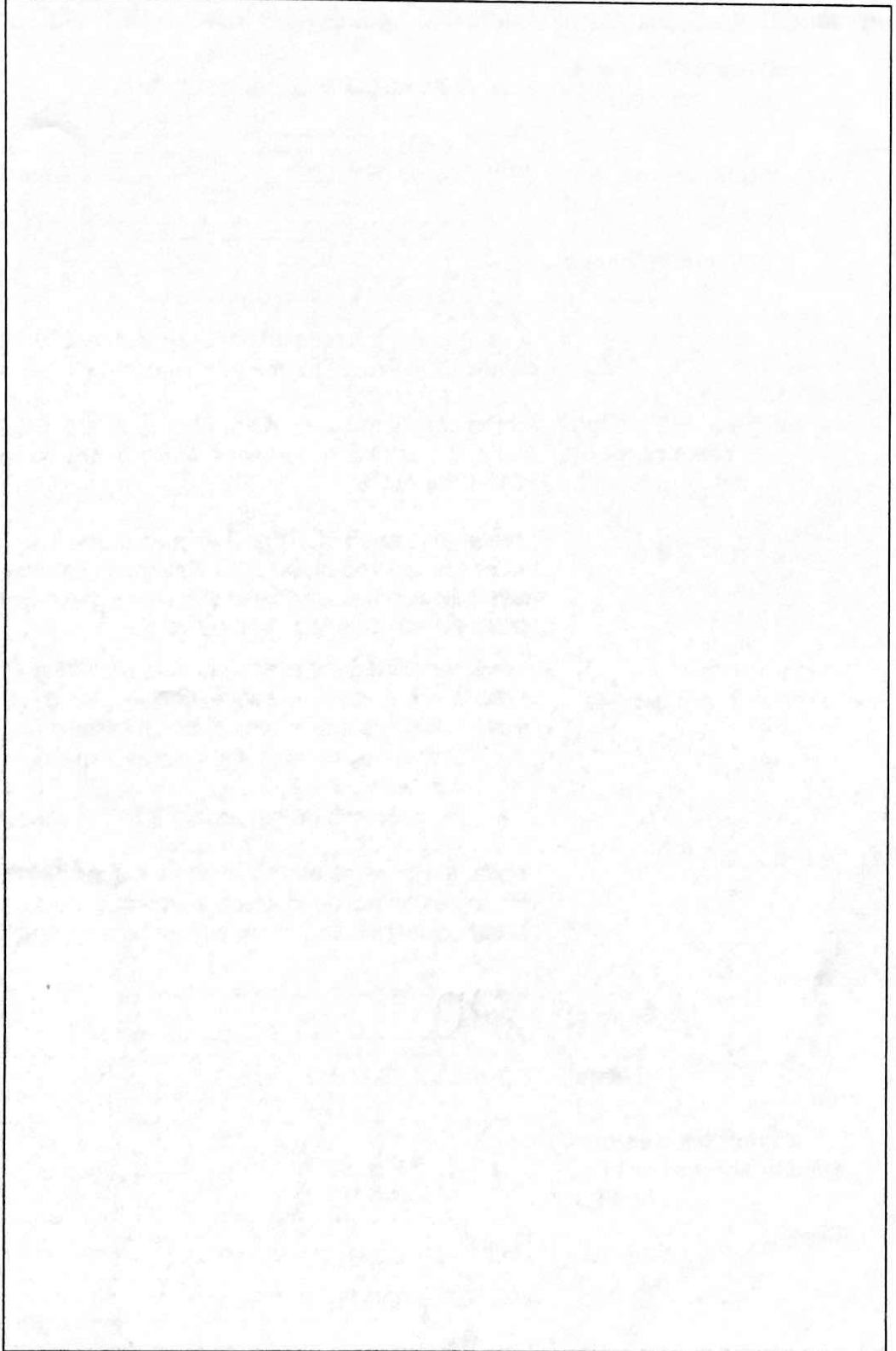
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Accounts

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SWANTON ABBOTT COMMUNITY CHAPEL

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Financial Results and Reserves

For the period ended 28th February 2023 there was income of £20822. Expenditure was £11328, and this created a surplus of £9494. The surplus increased our reserves to £40668 which the Trustees considered sufficient.

Throughout this accounting period, expenditure has once again been closely monitored and well managed. We have been blessed to have more regular donors join us. We find ourselves in a very good financial position going into the next financial year.

Mission/Outreach/Community work

The chapel maintains a website and Facebook page with a growing number of followers. We are receiving more and more visitors to these platforms' month by month, with a monthly Pause for Thought feature posted on the village Facebook group (with over 240 members to date). This post consists of a bible reference and a topical thought, to inspire and stimulate thinking about the Christian faith with local villagers. The chapel also writes regular articles for the village newsletter The Abbott, and for the Kingsbeck parish newsletter, so the activities of the chapel are advertised to all who live locally.

Welcome packs are delivered to all new occupants moving into the village, giving us an opportunity for the chapel to introduce itself, helping us to connect with new people.

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Mother's Day and Father's Day were both marked, with special services of thanksgiving and gifts for those who came. Villagers were personally invited to join us and they did.

When the Russian/Ukraine war commenced in March 2022, the village held a fundraising event for the people of Ukraine. A good sum of money was raised, and our vision to have the chapel used as a community venue was realised.

Easter started with the chapel hosting a lent lunch for all Churches Together in North Walsham during the lent season. The following day, an Easter "Food For Thought" hot lunch was provided for those in the village who were in need, lonely, or generally would appreciate some company. We then held a Good Friday community coffee morning. With a cake stall, Easter crafts for children, and refreshments, we were able to raise a good sum for the North Walsham First Responders unit. Easter Sunday, we had a resurrection celebration service, with chocolate eggs given away, attended by local villagers.

The chapel was packed for the local Salvation Army band who came to help us host a Songs Of Praise event in May. In the run up to the event, the village and local community collected a huge amount of toiletries for The Arc, a Salvation Army drop in day centre in Norwich for the homeless.

To mark the occasion of the Queen's platinum jubilee, the chapel gave away to villagers nearly 40 glossy booklets about the Queen's faith.

The Village Revels fun day was in July. The chapel was represented on the committee, and chapel leader Jane Everard performed in the live music programme, and Kevin Everard helped with the set up.

Other events included local Christian singer Joseph Betts, from Norwich, who gave us a delightful programme of songs, including songs of faith, as he gave his testimony of what God means to him.

The chapel worked in partnerships with two other churches in Norfolk, one in Dereham and one in Aylsham, putting on concerts in conjunction with an organisation called West End Has Faith, on 12th & 13th August. Professional singers told their story of faith and sang songs from the musicals.

The chapel once again supported the Norfolk Churches Trust annual bike ride. We opened for free refreshments and a much-needed toilet (!) to all taking part in the bike/ride/walk challenge - a unique way to connect with lots of new people.

We had a Festival of Fruit for harvest in September. In the weeks leading up to the event, we encouraged the villagers and congregation to donate tins of fruit, and we donated nearly 150 tins of fruit to boost a local foodbank stocks, and help those in need.

The chapel served a free harvest hot lunch in late September – for those living alone, the elderly, or those who would simply appreciate some company. 11 from the local community came and enjoyed a hearty meal and left with a small gift.

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Many supported our God and Golf event in October. The Captain of Royal Cromer Golf Course shared his testimony of how he came to faith.

When the World Cup began in late November, the chapel held three themed Sundays, and gave away free football themed gospels to all who came and to all in the village. The gospels gave good testimony of how well known footballers found faith in God.

Our Alpha courses at the chapel have proved to be superb opportunity for local people to ask basic questions about the Christian faith. Solid friendships were made between all those attending. Throughout the year at various times, the group continued to meet for further debate and discussion around the Christian faith. There are plans for another Alpha course in the summer of 2023.

Remembrance Sunday in November was marked and two ex servicemen took part. We gave away booklets telling the story of an ex guardsman's journey to faith.

For Christmas, the chapel leader Jane Everard started up a pop up community choir – and 24 signed up. The chapel and the village parish church then jointly organised a charity concert, and local soloist Joseph Betts sang – a good sum was raised for the North Norfolk Foodbank.

The local Salvation Army band led our annual carol service. A collection was taken to help the Salvation Army work locally. We also had a short service on Christmas Day for the first time, and villagers came. Outside the chapel building, the focal point at Christmas became our illuminated crib scene that raised awareness to the village of the true message of Christmas.

Throughout this last year, we have made the building available to others in the community, e.g. the Parish council and the Parish church.

The chapel invites a variety of speakers on a Sunday and week by week, short themed series are followed, all of which are designed to be accessible to those with no church background.

The chapel actively provides pastoral support to individuals and families within the locality.

On the fifth Sunday of the month, we still hold a more informal, relaxed event/service, designed to be accessible to those with a no church background.

Twice a month, we run Coffee on The Corner, when the chapel is transformed into a café style coffee morning for the community. Offering free refreshments and home-made cakes, it becomes a place to enjoy company and catch up with those who live locally. It served as a warm space for people to come to throughout the winter months. With nowhere else to enjoy a coffee in the village, this presents a delightful hub for everyone.

Throughout this financial period, new people are finding us, and are coming along on a Sunday, so we are very encouraged that a core foundation is forming, on which we can build.

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Approved by the trustees on 17 July 2023 and signed on their behalf by

Kevin John Everard
Chair of Trustees

**SWANTON ABBOTT COMMUNITY CHAPEL
FOR THE YEAR 28TH FEBRUARY 2023**

CHARITY REGISTRATION NO. 1195565

INCOME and EXPENDITURE Account	2023	2022
	£	£
INCOME		
GIFT AID DONATIONS	7185	2930
GENERAL OFFERINGS	2274	1144
DONATIONS	110	25
FUNERAL & WEDDING INCOME	0	0
COFFEE ON THE CORNER INCOME	415	353
SMALLBURG CHAPEL SALE		
SWANTON ABBOTT WESLEYAN REFORM CHURCH	0	36004
INTEREST INCOME	0	0
GIFT AID TAX RECLAIM	2232	819
MICELLANEOUS INCOME	1220	2250
RENTAL INCOME NELSON WAY FLAT & GARAGE	7386	2956
TOTAL INCOME	20822	46480
EXPENDITURE		
MINISTRY ALLOWANCES & EXPENSES	2597	1200
MISSION & OUTREACH	1222	306
VISITING SPEAKERS FEES	500	150
CHURCH - PROPERTY MAINTENANCE	816	3073
CHURCH - UTILITIES	908	3801
CHURCH - TELEPHONE	526	295
CHURCH - EQUIPMENT	1964	810
INSURANCE	0	511
STATIONERY AND ADMINISTRATION	381	294
TRAINING	0	0
CHARITABLE DONATIONS	745	350
WRU ASSESSMENTS & MAGAZINES	0	0
HOSPITALITY FOOD TEA & COFFEE	206	208
LEGAL & PROFESSIONAL FEES	70	1063
BANK CHARGES	0	0
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES	144	0
RENTAL EXPENSES NELSON WAY FLAT & GARAGE	1210	3246
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	11289	15307
SURPLUS OF INCOME (EXPENDITURE)	9533	31174
SWANTON ABBOTT COMMUNITY CHAPEL BALANCE SHEET AS AT 28TH FEBRUARY 2023		
ASSETS		
BARCLAYS BANK ACCOUNT NO. 20937754	36006	31174
BARCLAYS BANK ACCOUNT NO.	4700	
BARCLAYS BANK SAVINGS ACCOUNT NO.	0	
PETTY CASH		0
TOTAL ASSETS	40707	31174
LIABILITIES		
GENERAL FUND AS AT 1st MARCH 2022	31174	31174
PLUS SURPLUS OF INCOME (EXPENDITURE)	9533	
GENERAL FUND AS AT 28TH FEBRUARY 2023	40707	31174
RESTRICTED FUNDS		0
TOTAL LIABILITIES	40707	31174

I have examined the Accounts of Swanton Abbott Community Chapel for the year ending 28th February 2023 and found them to be in agreement with the financial records.

Signed

R.Huddlestone Date
Accounting Services

10/05/2023

<u>NELSON WAY NORTH WALSHAM FLAT & GARAGE ACCOUNT</u>			
FOR YEAR ENDING	28TH FEBRUARY 2022		
<u>INCOME</u>			
RENTAL INCOME	FLAT	£6,984.00	
RENTAL INCOME	GARAGE	£157.00	
	TOTAL INCOME	£7,141.00	
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>			
	MANAGEMENT FEES	£648.00	
	MANSE MAINTENANCE	£135.18	
	GARAGE MAINTENANCE	£0.00	
	SERVICE CHARGES	£427.29	
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	£1,210.47	
	SURPLUS OF INCOME (EXPENDITURE)	£5,930.53	

As at 2/28/2023

A/c No. 20937754

CURRENT ACCOUNT

Balance Per Bank

Plus uncleared Deposits

Plus uncleared Deposits

£0.00

Less Unpresented Cheques

101165

Total £0.00

Balance N/L £0.00

Balance **Per A/c's** £4,700.21

Difference -£4,700.21



Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
1st March 2022

To

Period end date
28th February 2023

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 & LEGACIES	11,204	-	-	11,204	6,702
GIFT AID TAX RECLAIMS	2,232	-	-	2,232	819
INTEREST INCOME	-	-	-	-	-
RENTAL INCOME	7,386	-	-	7,386	2,956
SWANTON ABBOTT WESLEYAN REFORM CHURCH	-	-	-	-	36,004
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	20,822	-	-	20,822	46,481
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	20,822	-	-	20,822	46,481
A3 Payments					
MINISTRY & MISSION	4,525	-	-	4,525	1,864
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	816	-	-	816	3,073
UTILITIES	908	-	-	908	3,801
INSURANCE	-	-	-	-	511
ADMINISTRATION	3,015	-	-	3,015	1,399
GRANTS & DONATIONS	745	-	-	745	350
LEGAL & PROFESSIONAL FEES	1,280	-	-	1,280	4,309
	-	-	-	-	-
BANK INTEREST & CHARGES	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	11,289	-	-	11,289	15,307
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	11,289	-	-	11,289	15,307
Net of receipts/(payments)	9,533	-	-	9,533	31,174
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	9,533	-	-	9,533	31,174

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	BARCLAYS CURRENT A/C	36,006	-	-
	BARCLAYS SAVINGS A/C	4,700	-	-
	PETTY CASH	-	-	-
	Total cash funds	40,707	-	-

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

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

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	GENERAL FUND	40707	-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval

Date	Detail	CHEQUE No. Reference	EXPENDITURE Totals	MINISTRY ALLOWANCES	MISSION & OUTREACH
TOTAL			6420.92	1197.10	817.13
1.8.22	Speaker's fee - E Denton	100001	50.00		
4.8.22	Speaker's fee - Joseph Betts	100002	50.00		
10.8.22	Subscription to Find A Church.com		22.00		
12.8.22	Jane Everard chapel expenses	100004	448.46		157.2
15.8.22	CCLI licences		55.05		
16.8.22	Chapel cleaning	100003	90.00		
22.8.22	Eden - bookmarks		29.43		29.43
23.8.22	Jane Everard chapel expenses	100005	178.10		84.53
1.9.22	EON	DD	100.00		
1.9.22	MAF	DD	50.00		
6.9.22	Speaker's fee - A Shah	100006	50.00		
12.9.22	Watson's ground rent		427.29		
26.9.22	BT	DD	30.68		
3.10.22	EON	DD	100.00		
3.10.22	MAF	DD	50.00		
3.10.22	Jane Everard Ministry		200.00	200.00	
4.10.22	Jane Everard chapel expenses	100007	967.62		
4.10.22	Speaker's fee - R Tuck	100008	50.00		
10.10.22	Jane Everard chapel expenses	100009	268.42		49.50
20.10.22	Denis West window cleaner Chapel		28.00		
20.10.22	Aylsham Learning Printing		30.40		30.40
26.10.22	BT	DD	35.40		
27.10.22	Anglian Water	DD	42.74		
27.10.22	Aylsham Learning Printing		9.02		9.02
1.11.22	EON	DD	100.00		
1.11.22	MAF	DD	50.00		
1.11.22	Jane Everard Ministry		200.00	200.00	
8.11.22	Chapel cleaning	100010	110.00		
10.11.22	Jane Everard chapel expenses	100011	259.11		175.03
25.11.22	BT		35.40		
30.11.22	Speaker's fee- V Jack	100013	50.00		
1.12.22	EON		100.00		
1.12.22	MAF		50.00		
1.12.22	Jane Everard Ministry		200.00	200.00	
6.12.22	Speaker's fee - E Denton	100012	50.00		
20.12.22	Speaker's fee - Joseph Betts	100016	50.00		
21.12.22	Churches Together		44.88		44.88
21.12.22	Ace Fire Ltd		135.00		
22.12.22	Jane Everard chapel expenses	100017	208.40		44.46
28.12.22	BT		35.40		
3.1.23	MAF		50.00		
3.1.23	Jane Everard Ministry		200.00	200	
3.1.23	Jane Everard chapel expenses	100014	215.92		35.21
4.1.23	Everflow Ltd		24.16		
5.1.23	cheque	100018	90.00	90	
10.1.23	Anglian Water		32.46		
16.1.23	Thirtyoneight		36.25		

VISITING SPEAKERS	PROPERTY MAINTENANCE	UTILITIES ELECTRICITY	UTILITIES WATER	TELEPHONE	CHURCH EQUIPMENT	INSURANCE
350.00	646.57	400.00	118.89	207.68	1523.79	0.00

50

50

240.98

90

1.99

19.35

100

50.00

30.68

100.00

957.26

50.00

114.40

96.82

28.00

35.40

42.74

100.00

110.00

45.32

35.40

50.00

100.00

50.00

50.00

135.00

163.94

35.40

76.59

43.44

24.16

32.46

35.4

45.27

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19.53

35.4

132.49
3.96

STATIONERY ADMIN	TRAINING	CHARITABLE DONATIONS	WRU ASSESSMENTS & MAGAZINES	HOSPITALITY TEA & COFFEE	LEGAL & PROF. FEES	MISC EXPENSES
319.26	0.00	300.00	0.00	79.31	10.00	23.90

22						
55.05				26.38		23.90
66.24				5.99		
		50				
		50				
5.99				4.37		
1.40				6.30		
		50				
28.38				10.38		
		50				
		50				
45.59				5.09		10
36.25						

30.42

50

27.94

20.8

FLAT	FLAT	GARAGE	SERVICE	BANK	TRANSFER TO		
MGMNT FEES	MAINTENANCE	EXPENSES	CHARGES	CHARGES	BARCLAYS SAVINGS	EXPENSES	
0.00	0.00	0.00	427.29	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

427.29

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INTEREST INCOME	TRANSFERS IN FROM OLD CURRENT A/C	TRANSFERS IN FROM NEW CURRENT A/C	TRANSFERS OUT TO OLD CURRENT A/C
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

TRANSFERS OUT TO
NEW CURRENT A/C

0.00

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Accounts

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Annual report and accounts for the period

19th August 2021 to 28th February 2022

Reference and administrative details

Trustees

K. J. Everard (Chair)

S. Abraham

V.O. Carrington

K.C. Bonner

Registered address: The Street, Swanton Abbott, Norfolk NR10 5DU

Registered Charity number:1195565

**Independent Examiner: R C Huddleston, R Huddleston Accounting Services,
Valley farm Bungalow, Valley Farm Lane, Melton, Woodbridge, Suffolk IP12 1LL**

Bankers: Barclays Bank Plc, Leicester LE87 2BB

SWANTON ABBOTT COMMUNITY CHAPEL

Report of the trustees for the period ended 28th February 2022

The trustees present their report and accounts for the period ended 28th February 2022.

Structure, Governance and Management

Swanton Abbott Community Chapel is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation formed on the 19th August 2021. The chapel took on independence from the Wesleyan Reform Union at the start of 2021, and then obtained charitable status on 19 August 2021. The name was changed at the same time to Swanton Abbott Community Chapel. It remains an active member of Churches Together in North Walsham, an ecumenical group of churches, meeting regularly to encourage one another, exchange information, and build unity across the different denominations.

Aims and Objectives

Our primary objectives are to fulfil the role of a Christian church in the rural village of Swanton Abbott, promoting and advancing the Christian faith in the local area, and serving the community in which we are situated.

Background and Set Up

The leadership team of four (all unpaid volunteers) have committed to meeting once a quarter for planning meetings and prayer, and more frequently just for prayer.

Once the charity was formed in the August, the chapel registered for Gift Aid with HMRC, and has benefitted from gift aid reclaim.

The newly named chapel initially concentrated on establishing its presence and getting its name on the map in the first few months of becoming a charity. The chapel's google listing was improved and has increased the chances of someone finding us. A new Facebook page was built, and regular posting of services began, together with announcements of our community projects and other chapel events.

Also, a website was set up, and this provided a world-wide shop window of what the chapel activities and set up were.

Welcome cards were produced and information cards, so that anyone visiting can find out more and have an opportunity to connect with us.

The chapel is accessible to disabled people including a disabled toilet.

Financial Results and Reserves

For the period ended 28th February 2022 there was income of £46,480 which was significantly enhanced by a sum of £36,004 transferred into the new charity from the Wesleyan Reform Chapel that it had been. This created a substantial surplus of £31,174. Expenditure was £15,307 and the reserves are sufficient to cover expenditure in the short to medium term. Our reserves will also be used to fund building improvements to the Chapel and outreach to our local community.

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Throughout the accounting period covered, expenditure has been closely monitored and diligently managed. We have been blessed with some new regular donors, and this has enabled us, together with gift aid payments, to spend on items that set the chapel up for the future. We find ourselves in a healthy financial position going into the next financial year.

An extraordinary electricity bill was received in February, which was contested, and the result of that will appear in next year's accounts.

A grant was applied for in December, through Norfolk County Council, for loft insulation, which was duly granted, and assisted the chapel in providing loft insulation for the very first time. This is to conserve energy and prevent valuable heat loss through the roof of the chapel.

Mission/Outreach/Community work

The chapel already had a regular monthly Pause for Thought feature posted on the village closed Facebook group for all villagers. This group contains over 200 members to date. This post consists of a bible reference and a topical thought based on the verses, to inspire and stimulate thinking about the Christian faith with local villagers.

Welcome packs are made up, and have been delivered to as many new occupants moving into the village as possible, giving us an opportunity for the chapel to introduce itself, and let new people know what the chapel is all about. These have helped us to connect with many new people, and some have subsequently attended our events. This is an ongoing initiative.

The chapel also joined Find a Church.Com to add to its internet presence, and this has resulted in people finding the chapel for a Sunday service.

In September every year, the chapel supports the Norfolk Churches Trust annual bike ride. The chapel is opened for free refreshments and a much-needed toilet (!) to all taking part in the bike/ride/walk challenge, and to those passing by in the village. It is a wonderful and unique way to connect with lots of new people.

For our Harvest festival in October 2021, we celebrated the Harvest of The Sea. A local villager loaned us several items for our display. Our visiting speaker was from the Fisherman's Mission. In the weeks prior to the service, we launched a community project, and encouraged the village to bring tins of tuna to the chapel. For the Harvest service, we built a Tower of Tuna, and after the service, nearly 100 tins were taken to the local foodbank to help those in need.

The chapel supported the village wild flower seed planting initiative, and members of the chapel took the packets of seeds provided, and planted them in strategic places around the village.

We ran two Alpha courses at the chapel during the period being reported on. One was over the Autumn months, and one in the early part of 2021. 7 attended the first one, and 3 the second one. These proved to be superb opportunities for local

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people to ask questions about the Christian faith, and to enjoy friendship in a relaxed environment, with refreshments and short discussions following the Alpha videos. The course covers the basics of Christianity and solid friendships were made between all those attending. The group now meet regularly for further debate and discussion around the Christian faith.

At Christmas, we held an improvised nativity service one Sunday in December. The nativity service involved local villagers dressing up as characters from the nativity story, and then an impromptu nativity play was acted out, with no rehearsal, which proved very popular and humorous at the same time. Our candlelit carol service on Christmas Eve also attracted several new people. Both services were well attended.

Outside the chapel building, the focal point at Christmas became our illuminated crib scene that raised awareness to the village of what the true message of Christmas was, and we gave away the Christmas story in booklet form.

Jane Everard, chapel leader, formed a pop-up community choir of 22 people, which rehearsed in the chapel throughout the months of November and December, and brought many new people into the building. This culminated in a Christmas concert which the chapel hosted just before Christmas in the village parish church of St Michaels, raising just over £600 for the Priscilla Bacon Hospice. As well as the community choir performing, a local professional soprano sang a programme of Christmas delights. Mulled wine and mince pies were served, and a wonderful evening was had by all. It was good to build connections with the parish church too through this event.

Throughout this last year, we have made the building available to both the Parish council and the Parish church, and this has been well received for their meetings – and is a good use of a community space. This is something we are looking to continue to do.

The chapel invites a variety of gifted speakers on a Sunday and week by week, short themed series are followed. Some series are worth a mention - all of which are designed to be accessible to those with no church background. We looked at a series of well-known bible heroes, and what we can learn from their lives. The Highway Code was another memorable series, and how we can relate this to the Christian life. Another series worth a mention was called God Is Closer Than You Think.

The chapel provides regular pastoral support to many individuals and families.

Chapel leader Jane Everard has links with All Nations Bible College in Hertfordshire, and through a Zoom meeting, was able to conduct a workshop for students on rural churches, which resulted in an invaluable exchange of ideas, and a team being formed to support the chapel going forward with children's work, as the chapel congregation grows.

Remembrance Sunday was particularly poignant as it included a live link up to the cenotaph in London, which was a first for the chapel. Some villagers did come to this service, as they wished to be part of the Remembrance Sunday reflections.

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On the fifth Sunday of the month, we hold a more informal, relaxed event/service, which are primarily to interest those with a no church background. Called Mellow Sundays and we vary the time of day that the event/service is held at. One was a Songs of Praise event at the end of August, serving tea and scones. Another was on Halloween, entitled From Darkness To Light, when a local Christian told his struggles of battling with the occult and satanism, and how God had met with him and changed his life. Both events were well attended and many villagers came.

Twice a month, on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month, we run Coffee on The Corner, when the chapel is transformed into a café style coffee morning for the community. Offering free refreshments and home-made cakes (baked by willing villagers), it becomes a place to enjoy company and catch up with those who live locally. Average attendance is between 20 and 30 people, and with nowhere else to enjoy a coffee in the village, this presents a delightful hub for everyone.

Throughout this financial period, we have worked hard on good quality publicity, with informative external notice boards, and extra posters stationed around the village for special events. Flyers have been posted through doors, and because of the central position of the chapel within the village, the chapel is now firmly “on the map” and has enjoyed a fruitful first season as a registered charity, thanks to good financial management, the kind generosity of regular donors, and gift aid payments. During the period of this report, the chapel lost two long standing members of the congregation, who passed away very suddenly, but other new people have started finding us, and are coming along on a Sunday, so we are encouraged that the future looks bright for Swanton Abbott Community Chapel, and its outreach to those in the village and surrounding community.

Approved by the trustees on 4th October 2022 and signed on their behalf by

Kevin John Everard
Chair of Trustees

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	19th August 2021		28th February 2022

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 & LEGACIES	6,702	-	-	6,702	-
GIFT AID TAX RECLAIMS	819	-	-	819	-
INTEREST INCOME	-	-	-	-	-
RENTAL INCOME	2,956	-	-	2,956	-
SWANTON ABBOTT WESLEYAN REFORM CHURCH	36,004	-	-	36,004	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	46,480	-	-	46,480	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	46,480	-	-	46,480	-
A3 Payments					
MINISTRY & MISSION	1,864	-	-	1,864	-
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	3,073	-	-	3,073	-
UTILITIES	3,801	-	-	3,801	-
INSURANCE	511	-	-	511	-
ADMINISTRATION	1,399	-	-	1,399	-
GRANTS & DONATIONS	350	-	-	350	-
LEGAL & PROFESSIONAL FEES	4,309	-	-	4,309	-
	-	-	-	-	-
BANK INTEREST & CHARGES	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	15,307	-	-	15,307	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	15,307	-	-	15,307	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	31,174	-	-	31,174	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	-	-	-	-	-
Cash funds this year end	31,174	-	-	31,174	-

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 CURRENT A/C	31,174	-	-
	BARCLAYS SAVINGS A/C	-	-	-
	PETTY CASH	-	-	-
	Total cash funds	31,174	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets				
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use				
B5 Liabilities	GENERAL FUND	31174	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	KEITH BONNER	10/05/2022
	KEVIN EVERARD	11/5/2022



Section B Disclosure

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

**On accounts for the year
ended** **Charity no
(if any)**

Set out on pages

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 28th February 2022 .

**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 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.

Signed: **Date:**

Name:

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

Address:

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

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