

TRINITY FREE CHURCH, MANNINGTREE  
TRUSTEES REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

**TRINITY FREE CHURCH, MANNINGTREE**

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**TRINITY FREE CHURCH, MANNINGTREE**  
**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Trustees**

Mrs Elizabeth Burman (Appointed 07/12/2021)  
Mr Gavis Phillingham (resigned 30/11/2022)  
Miss Sally Rice (Appointed 07/12/2021)  
Mr Keith Southgate (Appointed 15/03/2023)  
Mr Steve Todd (resigned 11/10/2022)

**Charity registered number**

1196986

**Principal Office**

Trinity Free Church  
Old St Michael's School  
Trinity Road  
Manningtree  
Essex  
CO11 2HH

**Bank**

NATWEST BANK PLC  
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Essex  
CO1 1DG

**Solicitors**

Edward Connor  
10 The Point  
Market Harborough  
Leicestershire  
LE16 7QU

**TRINITY FREE CHURCH, MANNINGTREE**  
**TRUSTEES' REPORT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

The trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of Trinity Free Church Manningtree CIO (the Charity) for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023. The trustees confirm that the annual report and financial statements of the charity comply with the statutory requirements of the charity's governing document and the provision of the statement of recommended practice (SORP), applicable to the charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

**Objectives and activities**

**a. Policies and objectives**

The purposes of the church are the advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with the Basis of Faith in the United Kingdom but primarily within Manningtree and the surrounding neighbourhood and such other charitable purposes as shall, in the opinion of the charity trustees further the work of the church.

**b. Activities undertaken to achieve objectives**

The principal objective of the church is to share the Good News of Jesus Christ to all. To introduce people to the love of God through Jesus Christ, to encourage and build up believers in their knowledge and love of the Lord Jesus Christ. And to demonstrate God's love in practical acts of kindness to others, both in the church and wider community.

We are a warm and welcoming church, seeking to show Jesus in all that we do through the varied program of activities.

Whilst planning which activities that the church should undertake the trustees have paid due regard to the public benefit guidance issued by the Charity Commission.

We aim to hold one Sunday service each week where we seek to teach the truth of God's word by expository biblical teaching. Once a month during our services we celebrate communion.

There are small Bible study/ home groups that meet most weeks, where church members and attenders come together to study, pray and fellowship together.

We hold regular church prayer meetings and encourage all to meet and encourage one another and pray together.

**Achievement and performance**

The church is currently still operating as a Charitable un-incorporated Association (CUA) to allow for a number of issues to be resolved. Once these have been dealt with, the assets (and liabilities) of the CUA will be transferred to the CIO.

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**TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

**Financial Review**

As the assets (and liabilities) have not transferred from the CUA as yet, both the income and expenditure for the financial year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023 are zero.

**Reserves Policy**

The trustees have agreed that reserves will be held to cover 3 months of normal expenditure (based on the current budget for the next 3 months, or, if no budget is in place for that period, previous 3 months actuals). The calculations for this would not include restricted funds or specific special projects for which funds have been designated.

The purpose of this policy is to provide adequate time to adjust to changing circumstances and to make necessary adjustments to expenditure should the need arise.

**Structure, governance and management**

**a. Constitution**

Trinity Free Church Manningtree is a registered charity; number 1196986 and is constituted under a CIO association.

**b. Risk Management**

We have an ongoing commitment to safeguarding vulnerable adults and children. We plan to adopt a similar approach as is currently operated under the CUA, where we have 2 safeguarding officers.

**c. Other Matters**

Trinity Free Church Manningtree is an independent church, part of the Fellowship of Independent Evangelical Churches (FIEC).



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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

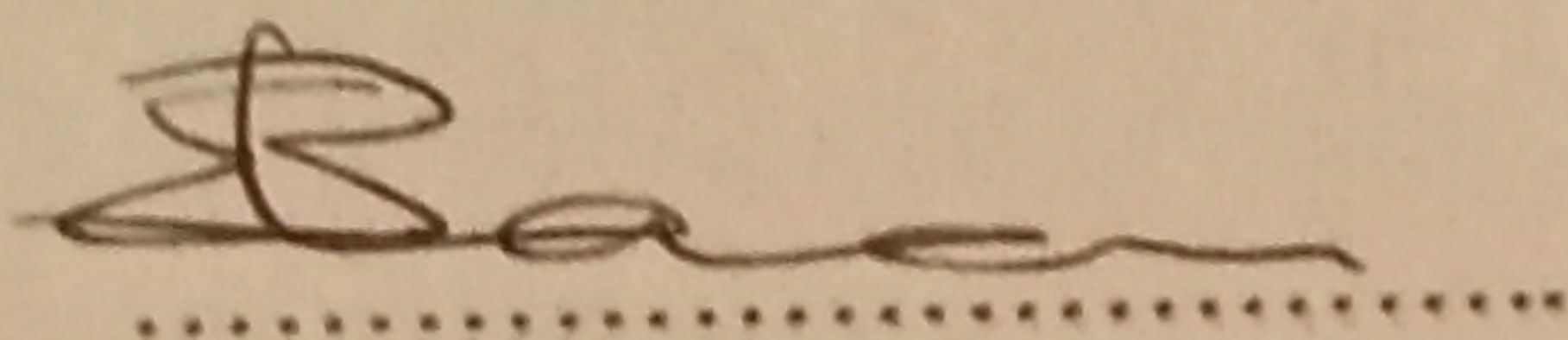
The Trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting standards.

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- Observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP (FRS 102)
- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.

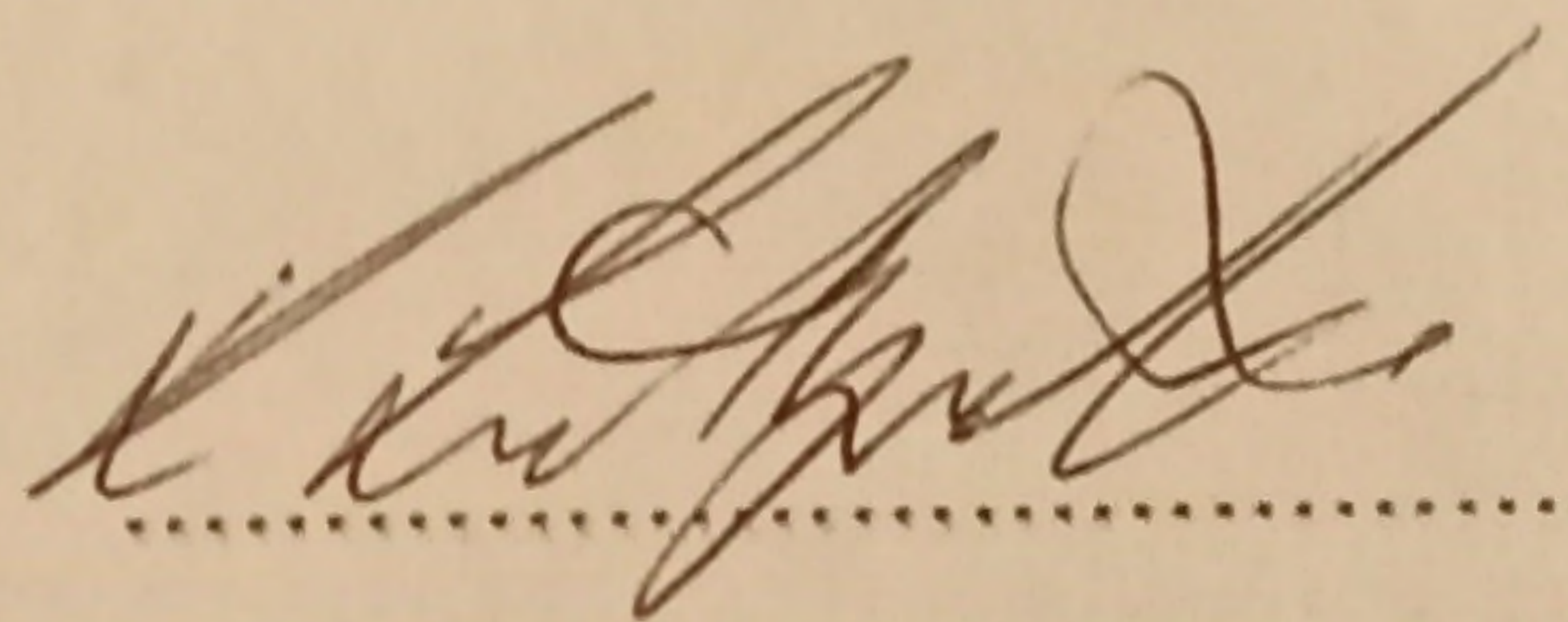
The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the CIO.

Approved by order of the members of the board of trustees and signed on their behalf by:



Mrs E Burman  
Trustee

Date: 15/10/24



Mr K Southgate  
Trustee

Date: 13.10.2024





CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trinity Free Church, Manningtree

1196986

## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period  
from

01/01/2023

To

31/12/2023

### 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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Member Donations	0	0	0	0	0
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total receipts</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
n/a	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
n/a	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total payments</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	0	0	0	0	0

## 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	N/A	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	0	0	0
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			
B2 Other monetary assets	N/A	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	N/A	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	N/A	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B5 Liabilities	N/A	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

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E. BURMAN

13/10/20