

WESTWARD HO! BAPTIST CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1198050

Details

Other names WESTWARD HO BAPTIST CHURCH

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2022-02-24

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

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Activities

Objects: THE PRINCIPAL PURPOSES OF THE CHURCH ARE:- 3.1.1 THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH ACCORDING TO THE PRINCIPLES OF THE BAPTIST DENOMINATION. 3.1.2 THE CHURCH MAY ALSO ADVANCE EDUCATION AND CARRY OUT OTHER CHARITABLE PURPOSES IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND/OR OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD.

Activities: Promotion of the Christian faith under the auspices of the Baptist denomination. Junior Church for children. Meetings for people not connected with the church of all ages and gender.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Religious Activities, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Devon

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£188,487	£137,843	-	-
2023-12-31	£117,691	£122,714	-	-
2022-12-31	£24,857	£24,555	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev TIMOTHY CHARLES SUTTON	Chair	2022-02-24
David Harry James Frisby		2024-04-18
David Wilson		2022-02-24
Graham Fish		2024-04-18
Julia Frances Ousley		2024-04-18
Laurence Jeffrey Boys		2022-02-24
ROBERT NICHOLAS HOPKINSON		2022-02-24
Roderick John Smith		2022-02-24

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document	Constitution adopted 1st October 2022.
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The hall is in regular use by community groups, including an arts group, a group catering for the disadvantaged and disabled, community children's parties, other charities, and the use for a polling station.

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CHRISTIAN ETHOS.

Our Pastor is a member of the Christian Ethos committee enabling him to visit the visit the local school regularly, and also for the children to come and visit us for their annual service.

The Trustees have ha regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit and are satisfied that the activities outlined above clearly demonstrate that the charity is providing such benefit.

Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

There has been no change in the church's structure, leadership, activities or groups arising from the transfer to a CIO charity in October 2022.

RENEWING OUR VISION.
The Leadership holds an annual day of retreat to review how the year has gone, and how we feel led to proceed in the future. This is then fed back at the next available Church members meeting.

The Church continues to be well supported financially by its members and has had no need for fund raising activities. The financial support has enabled the purposes of the charity to be carried out as well as donations to be made to other charities with similar charitable purposes.

WORSHIP
Our morning congregation has seen a rise in numbers which is very encouraging. We have continued to live stream our morning worship on Social media, with the evening service being in-person only.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Charity keeps sufficient reserves to meet all legal obligations in the event of the Charity being wound up. This is principally to cover the Ministers salary during a contractual period of notice. A designated Sinking Fund to cover fabric repairs and maintenance is set up. This reserve will be held in addition to that held for legal reasons. The reserves level reflects the fact that Church Charities are rarely wound up suddenly and so liabilities can be reduced over a period of time.

The charity ensures that there are no funds in deficit.
The principal source of funding is the giving by church members and visitors. Income is also received from the hiring of the church hall.

Section F Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	J Ousley	
Full name(s)	Julia Frances Ousley	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Secretary	

Date 20/10/2025

Westward Ho! Baptist Church

Registered Charity Number 1198050

Financial Statement and Accounts

January 1st 2024 – December 31st 2024



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Westward Ho! Baptist Church

No (if any)
1198050

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from 01/01/2024 To 31/12/2024

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Offerings and Tax Recoverable	111,612		-	111,612	108,012
Bank Interest	1,073		-	1,073	433
Lettings	5,452		-	5,452	5,088
Other Receipts	59,891	10,459	-	70,350	4,158
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	178,028	10,459	-	188,487	117,691
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	178,028	10,459	-	188,487	117,691
A3 Payments					
Mission	10,100		-	10,100	11,164
Pastoral	316		-	316	3,175
Church Repairs & Maintenance	16,478	#	-	16,478	19,114
Equipment	2,803		-	2,803	3,284
Manse	7,990		-	7,990	4,218
Insurance & Legal	4,101		-	4,101	3,831
Utilities	7,389		-	7,389	6,713
Outreach	2,894		-	2,894	4,528
Minister	38,758		-	38,758	35,070
Youth Work	17,194		-	17,194	9,719
IT	1,304		-	1,304	8,285
Miscellaneous	14,755	13,761	-	28,516	13,613
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	124,082	13,761	-	137,843	122,714
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	124,082	13,761	-	137,843	122,714
Net of receipts/(payments)	53,946	- 3,302	-	50,644	- 5,023
A5 Transfers between funds					
	34,200		-	34,200	39,223
A6 Cash funds last year end					
Cash funds this year end	88,146	- 3,302	-	84,844	34,200

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	HSBC Community Account	3,373	-	-
	HSBC Business Manager Account	520	4,041	-
	BU Account	20,000	-	-
	BU Deposit A/c	56,000	-	-
	Cash	910	-	-
	Total cash funds	80,803	4,041	-
	(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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

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	Chairs & Tables		-	-
	Kitchen Equipment		-	-
	Computers, PA & Television		-	-
	Pool Table		-	-
	Children's Groups Equipment		-	-
	Scaffold Tower		-	-
	Music Equipment		-	-
	Fire Extinguishers		-	-
	Bibles		-	-

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

Westward Ho! Baptist Church

Registered Charity No. 1198050

Financial Statement for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

GENERAL INFORMATION

The following information is supplied in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Acts:

- 1 The Church is known as Westward Ho! Baptist Church. The Church is registered as a charity with the Charity Commission with number 1198050
- 2 The Church is an evangelical fellowship of Christians, who acknowledge the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord. The first meeting in Westward Ho! was in 1887.
- 3 The Church is the beneficial owner (subject to the relevant Trusts) of assets, the legal titles to which are held by the Baptist Union Corporation Limited. The assets comprise the Church, the Church Hall and the Manse.
- 4 The activities of the Church and the appointment of leaders of the constituent groups are the responsibility of the Trustees (Deacons), who at the commencement of the Accounts year were: Rev. Timothy Sutton (Pastor), David Wilson (Church Secretary), Nic Hopkinson (Treasurer), Rod Smith, Laurence Boys, Chris Lowe
- 5 The stipendiary Minister, Rev. Timothy Sutton, took up his post in September 2016.
- 6 Separate details are maintained for the individuals who support the Church financially by means of Bankers' Orders, and in other ways, so that a record is maintained of the contributions made, especially for Gift Aid Tax reclaim purposes.
- 7 The Church had no fund-raising costs during the year.
- 8 The financial transactions between the Church and Trustees were:
David Wilson was reimbursed against invoiced minor purchases.
Nic Hopkinson was reimbursed against invoiced minor purchases.
The Minister Rev Timothy Sutton is de facto one of the church's trustees and receives a stipend and other benefits in respect of his services as Minister, including the provision of manse accommodation owned by the church. He was reimbursed against invoiced expenses arising from his pastoral role.
Rod Smith is a Trustee and is also employed by the church as the Site and Operations Manager. He received a salary for his employment but no other financial reward.
He was reimbursed against invoiced expenses arising from his employed role.
No trustee claimed or was given payment in lieu of expenses
- 9 These accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis
- 10 The Previous Year 2022 Income and Expenditure figures are considerably less than the current year as the Charity began operating on 1st October 2022

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FIXED ASSETS

The Fixed Assets of the charity are the properties listed below under Insurance.
The Value of the Assets are declared as the Insurance values.

FINANCIAL ASSETS

	2024	2023
Current Assets:		
Community Account	3,372.94	2,314.23
Business Money Manager Account	4,561.21	10,835.29
BU Account	20,000.00	20,000.00
Cash in hand	910.41	951.45
BU Deposit Account	56,000.00	
Old Current Account	0.00	100.00
Total of Current Assets	84,844.56	34,200.97

LIABILITIES

The Church has no Financial Liabilities

Insurance: All Index linked

Church Building Cover	2,596,218
Church Hal Building Cover	1,088,996
Church and Church Hall Contents combined cover	168,881
Manse Building cover	499,000
Official contents	5,000
Employer's Liability cover:	10,000,000
Public Liability cover:	10,000,000

Accounts Approved on

2025



Tim Sutton (Church Pastor)



Julie Ousley (Church Secretary on behalf of the Trustees)



Nic Hopkinson (Church Treasurer)

Financial Statement prepared by Church Treasurer

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Details of Receipts and Payments

Receipts – All Funds

	2024	2023
Offerings and tax recoverable		
Gifts - Cash *	5,174.14	6,224.39
Gifts – Named	83,484.00	81,541.76
Gift Day	3,487.62	5,186.60
Tax Reclaimed	19,466.43	15,059.26
Sub Total	111,612.19	108,012.01
Bank Interest	1072.64	432.84
Lettings		
Hall Hire	5,452.00	5,088.00
Sub Total	5,452.00	5,088.00
Other receipts		
Donations	1,981.81	1,244.00
Vaccine Clinic		1,000.00
Legacies	56,084.21	
Logos Hope Trip	9,763.70	
Lee Abbey	695.00	
Men's Breakfast	1,014.22	1,019.75
Junior Church/Clubs	728.93	70.05
Miscellaneous	32.38	
Postbox	50.00	824.00
Sub Total	70,350.25	4,157.80
Total Receipts	188,487.08	117,690.65

Payments - All Funds

Donations

Mission Donations		
Antioch Support	1000	
Derbyshire	1,800.00	1,800.00
Bideford Foodbank		600.00
BMS	2,000.00	1,000.00
BUHM	2,000.00	3,217.50
Jack Saunders	100.00	600.00
London City Mission	200.00	200.00
Dave Frisby OM	3,000.00	3,746.37
Sub Total	10,100.00	11,163.87
Pastoral Gifts	316.31	1401.62
Hardship Fund	2339.87	1772.84
Sub Total	12,756.18	14,338.33

Repairs and Maintenance

Site Manager & Cleaning	13,205.80	10,963.43
Maintenance – Buildings	3,271.81	8,150.19

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Maintenance – Equipment	2,802.93	3,283.85
Maintenance – Manse	7,990.15	4,217.52
Sub Total	27,270.69	26,614.99
 Utilities, insurances etc		
Insurance & Legal	4,101.20	3,830.68
Utilities	7,389.43	6,713.12
Sub Total	11,490.63	10,543.80
 Other payments		
Outreach	2,894.39	4,528.47
Postbox	105.00	807.00
Children & Youth	1,143.40	1,655.52
Youth Worker	16,051.02	5,949.52
SWYM	0.00	2,114.00
Office & Printing	1,133.72	1,055.94
Lee Abbey	1,691.00	
LOGOS HOPE Trip	9,730.31	
Bank Charges	219.45	166.16
Men's Breakfast	826.38	1,028.11
Subscriptions	2,603.97	2,150.40
Catering	2,575.17	1,998.05
Visiting Speakers	100.00	450.00
Minister – Stipend	31,833.94	28,803.32
Minister - Pension	4,249.64	3,988.83
Minister - General Expenses	2,674.16	2,277.79
Ministry Assistant	5,152.00	5,012.00
Training & Courses	1,116.60	435.00
IT & Church Online	1,303.60	8,285.58
Miscellaneous	922.24	510.20
 Sub Total	 86,325.99	 71,215.89
 Total Payments	 137,843.49	 122,713.01
 Excess of Receipts over Payments	 50,643.59	 -5,022.36
 Brought Forward Balance	 34,200.97	
 Total carried forward balance	 84,844.56	 34,200.97

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Funds Summary

	B/F Bal	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	C/F Bal
GENERAL - U	3,546.03	176,121.17	119,960.71	-57,444.84	2,261.65
Building Maint - D	3,234.30		3,271.81	2,578.23	2,540.72
Legacy - D				56,000.00	56,000.00
Lee Abbey - R		695.00	1,691.00		-996.00
LOGOS HOPE Trip - R		9,863.70	9,730.31	-133.39	0.00
Lift Off - R		991.25	520.00		471.25
Poppin - R	741.48	815.96	329.79	-1,000.00	227.65
Hardship - R	6,679.16		2,339.87		4,339.29
Reserve	20,000.00				20,000.00
R(estricted) Totals	27,420.64	12,365.91	14,610.97	-1,133.39	24,042.19
All Funds Totals					84,844.56



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	Charity Name Westward Ho! Baptist Church		
On accounts for the year ended	31/12/2024	Charity no (if any)	1198050
Set out on pages	1 <small>(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)</small>		

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

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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: 01/03/2025

Name:

Rev Andrew Littlejohn

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

ACAT

Address:

Nethania, Torridge Road, Appledore. Bideford EX39 1SF

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 01	Month 01	Year 2023		Day 31	Month 12	Year 2023

Charity name

Westward Ho! Baptist Church

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1198050

Charity's principal address

Nelson Drive	
Westward Ho!	
Devon	
Postcode	EX39 1LQ

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	Rev Tim Sutton	Pastor		Church Members
2	David Wilson	Deacon/Secretary		Ditto
3	Nic Hopkinson	Deacon/Treasurer		Ditto
5	Laurence Boys	Deacon		Ditto
6	Alexis Okill	Deacon	1/1/23 - 30/11/23	Ditto
7	Rod Smith	Deacon		Ditto
8	Pete Last	Deacon	1/1/23 - 30/4/23	Ditto
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10				
11				
12				
13				
14				
15				
16				
17				
18				
19				

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

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
Baptist Union Corporation	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Independent Examiner	Andrew Littlejohn	Nethania, Torridge Road, Appledore EX39 1SF

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

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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.

<p>The Charity works with the South West Baptist Association and, where necessary, with the Baptist Union of Great Britain</p> <p>A Risk Assessment of the overall aspects of the Church's work and property is reviewed annually with individual Risk Assessments for specific groups or activities..</p> <p>Procedures are in place to ensure H&S requirements are adhered to with nominated personnel performing regular checks.</p> <p>The charity acts in accordance with all DBS vetting procedures and appoints a senior church member as Safeguarding Officer</p> <p>The Trustees have reviewed current Data Protection procedures to ensure the charity complies with current legislation.</p>

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Our Lift Off meets on Tuesday afternoons weekly with a program of speakers, activities and support.

Monthly on Saturday mornings separate Men's, Women's and Kid's Breakfasts are held, for friendship and fellowship.

All these events are very well attended, provide significant benefit for those who come along and demonstrate the love of the Lord Jesus Christ for all the community.

HALL HIRINGS

The hall is in regular use by community groups, with an arts group and a group catering for disadvantaged people meeting weekly, and also used by citizens meetings, community children's parties, other charities and occasional functions.

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- Baptist Union Home Mission
- London City Mission
- Hope From Above
- Operation Mobilisation

CAP

We continued with financial support of the local Christians Against Poverty (Debt and Addictions work) inter-churches group as well as participation in their activities.

Pantry and Referral Scheme

We continued to operate a referral scheme for the local Foodbank, in which we can issue vouchers to those in need and refer them to the bank. In addition, we maintain a small 'pantry' which may be accessed by those in need of basic dry goods.

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In 2023 we resumed well-attended in person Alpha Groups, to provide a safe space for those exploring issues of faith.

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Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

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

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

The Church does not have a policy on grant making as no grants are made.

Apart from the functions of the Minister and remuneration for a Site Operations Manager, Cleaner and Ministry Assistant all church activities were run by unpaid volunteers who are members of or are regular attendees of the church.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

INITIAL START UP

The Church as a CIO charity commenced activities on 1st October 2022 when all the assets and activities of the former charity were formally transferred. There has been no change to the church's structure, leadership, activities or groups arising from this transfer.

RENEWING OUR VISION

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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		

Westward Ho! Baptist Church

Registered Charity Number 1198050

Financial Statement and Accounts

January 1st 2023 – December 31st 2023

Westward Ho! Baptist Church

Registered Charity No. 1198050

GENERAL INFORMATION

The following information is supplied in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Acts:

- 1 The Church is known as Westward Ho! Baptist Church. The Church is registered as a charity with the Charity Commission with number 1198050
- 2 The Church is an evangelical fellowship of Christians, who acknowledge the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord. The first meeting in Westward Ho! was in 1887.
- 3 The Church is the beneficial owner (subject to the relevant Trusts) of assets, the legal titles to which are held by the Baptist Union Corporation Limited. The assets comprise the Church, the Church Hall and the Manse.
- 4 The activities of the Church and the appointment of leaders of the constituent groups are the responsibility of the Trustees (Deacons), who at the commencement of the Charity were: Rev. Timothy Sutton (Pastor), David Wilson (Church Secretary), Peter Last Nic Hopkinson (Treasurer), Rod Smith, Laurence Boys, Alexis Okill
- 5 The stipendiary Minister, Rev. Timothy Sutton, took up his post in September 2016.
- 6 Separate details are maintained for the individuals who support the Church financially by means of Bankers' Orders, and in other ways, so that a record is maintained of the contributions made, especially for Gift Aid Tax reclaim purposes.
- 7 The Church had no fund-raising costs during the year.
- 8 The financial transactions between the Church and Trustees were:
David Wilson was reimbursed against invoiced minor purchases.
Nic Hopkinson was reimbursed against invoiced minor purchases.
The Minister Rev Timothy Sutton is de facto one of the church's trustees and receives a stipend and other benefits in respect of his services as Minister, including the provision of manse accommodation owned by the church. He was reimbursed against invoiced expenses arising from his pastoral role.
Rod Smith is a Trustee and is also employed by the church as the Site and Operations Manager. He received a salary for his employment but no other financial reward.
He was reimbursed against invoiced expenses arising from his employed role.
No trustee claimed or was given payment in lieu of expenses
- 9 These accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis
- 10 The Previous Year 2022 Income and Expenditure figures are considerably less than the current year as the Charity began operating on 1st October 2022



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Westward Ho! Baptist Church

No (if any)
1198050

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/01/2023	To	Period end date 31/12/2023
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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					
Offerings and Tax Recoverable	106,476	1,536	-	108,012	22,854
Bank Interest	433	-	-	433	20
Lettings	5,088	-	-	5,088	1,736
Other Receipts	4,008	150	-	4,158	247
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	116,005	1,686	-	117,691	24,857
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	116,005	1,686	-	117,691	24,857
A3 Payments					
Mission	10,946	218	-	11,164	4,130
Pastoral	1,202	1,973	-	3,175	
Church Repairs & Maintenance	19,114 #		-	19,114	2,846
Equipment	3,284		-	3,284	
Manse	4,218	-	-	4,218	996
Insurance & Legal	3,831	-	-	3,831	353
Utilities	6,713	-	-	6,713	1,344
Outreach	3,318	1,210	-	4,528	1,054
Minister	35,070	-	-	35,070	8,423
Youth Work	8,986	733	-	9,719	
IT	8,285	-	-	8,285	
Miscellaneous	13,512	101	-	13,613	5,409
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	118,479	4,235	-	122,714	24,555
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	118,479	4,235	-	122,714	24,555
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 2,474	- 2,549	-	- 5,023	302
A5 Transfers between funds	267	- 267	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	28,986	10,237	-	39,223	38,921
Cash funds this year end	26,779	7,421	-	34,200	39,223

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	HSBC Community Account	2,314	-	-
	HSBC Business Manager Account	3,414	7,421	-
	BU Account	20,000	-	-
	Old Current Acct	100		
	Cash	951		
	Total cash funds		26,779	7,421
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK


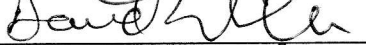
Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

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

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Chairs & Tables		-	-
	Kitchen Equipment		-	-
	Computers, PA & Television		-	-
	Pool Table		-	-
	Children's Groups Equipment		-	-
	Scaffold Tower		-	-
	Music Equipment		-	-
	Fire Extinguishers		-	-
	Bibles		-	-

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
	TIM SUTTON	18/4/24
	DAVID WILSON	18/4/24

Westward Ho! Baptist Church

Registered Charity No. 1198050

Financial Statement for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

FIXED ASSETS

The Fixed Assets of the charity are the properties listed below under Insurance.
The Value of the Assets are declared as the Insurance values.

FINANCIAL ASSETS

	2023	2022
Current Assets:		
Bank balances and Cash in Hand as at 12:01 am on 01.10.2022		
Community Account	2,314.23	2,909.66
Business Money Manager Account	10,835.29	15,984.23
BU Account	20,000.00	20,000.00
Cash in hand	951.45	329.44
Old Current Account	100.00	
Total of Current Assets	34,200.97	39,223.33

LIABILITIES

Pension Scheme Liability:	0.00	
Total Liabilities	0.00	0.00

Insurance: All Index linked

Church Building Cover	1,737,749
Church Hal Building Cover	728,906
Church and Church Hall Contents combined cover	110,250
Manse Building cover	359,356
Official contents	5,000
Employer's Liability cover:	10,000,000
Public Liability cover:	10,000,000

Accounts Approved on

2024

Tim Sutton (Church Pastor)

David Wilson (Church Secretary on behalf of the Trustees)

Nic Hopkinson (Church Treasurer)

Financial Statement prepared by Church Treasurer

Westward Ho! Baptist Church

Registered Charity No. 1198050

Details of Receipts and Payments

Receipts – All Funds

	2023	2022
Offerings and tax recoverable		
Gifts - Cash	6,224.39	806.60
Gifts – Named	81,541.76	18,655.00
Gift Day	5,186.60	
Tax Reclaimed	15,059.26	3,392.50
Sub Total	108,012.01	22,854.10
Bank Interest	432.84	19.56
Lettings		
Hall Hire	5,088.00	1,736.00
Sub Total	5,088.00	1,736.00
Other receipts		
Donations	1,244.00	
Vaccine Clinic	1,000.00	
Men's Breakfast	1,019.75	190.90
Junior Church/Clubs	70.05	
Miscellaneous		
Postbox	824.00	55.95
Sub Total	4,157.80	246.85
Total Receipts	117,690.65	24,856.51

Payments - All Funds

Donations

Mission Donations		
Derbyshire	1,800.00	450.00
Bideford Foodbank	600.00	200.00
BMS	1,000.00	
BUHM	3,217.50	1,517.50
Jack Saunders	600.00	150.00
London City Mission	200.00	
Dave Frisby OM	3,746.37	750.00
Sub Total	11,163.87	3,067.50
Pastoral Gifts	1401.62	113.00
Hardship Fund	1772.84	950.00
Sub Total	14,338.33	4,130.50

Repairs and maintenance

Site Manager & Cleaning	10,963.43	2,235.36
Maintenance – Buildings	8,150.19	300.94

Westward Ho! Baptist Church

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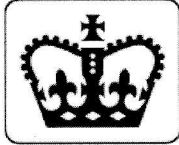
Maintenance – Equipment	3,283.85	310.73
Maintenance – Manse	4,217.52	996.29
Sub Total	26,614.99	3,843.32
 Utilities, insurances etc		
Insurance & Legal	3,830.68	353.40
Utilities	6,713.12	1,344.37
Sub Total	10,543.80	1,697.77
 Other payments		
Outreach	4,528.47	1,054.55
Postbox	807.00	55.95
Children & Youth	1,655.52	466.27
Youth Worker	5,949.52	300.00
SWYM	2,114.00	1,997.60
Office & Printing	1,055.94	146.71
Lunches		
Bank Charges	166.16	39.99
Men's Breakfast	1,028.11	183.53
Subscriptions	2,150.40	
Catering	1,998.05	537.26
Visiting Speakers	450.00	
Minister – Stipend	28,803.32	7,068.00
Minister - Pension	3,988.83	953.25
Minister - General Expenses	2,277.79	401.89
Ministry Assistant	5,012.00	1,092.00
Training & Courses	435.00	244.83
IT & Church Online	8,285.58	193.17
Miscellaneous	510.20	149.33
 Sub Total	 71,215.89	 14,884.33
 Total Payments	 122,713.01	 24,555.92
 Excess of Receipts over Payments	 -5,022.36	 300.59
 Brought Forward Balance	 39,223.33	
 Total carried forward balance	 34,200.97	 39,223.33

Westward Ho! Baptist Church

Registered Charity No. 1198050

Funds Summary

	B/F Bal	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	C/F Bal
GENERAL - U	1,181.59	115,004.90	104,507.64	-8,132.82	3,546.03
Building Maint - D	1,964.49		7,130.19	8,400.00	3,234.30
Vaccine Clinic	5771.89	1,000.00	6,771.89		0.00
Youth - R	11.69	780.00	653.46	-138.23	0.00
BU Home Mission - R	30.00	187.50	217.50		0.00
SWYM - R	0		79.80	79.80	0.00
Lunches - R	1,264.00		1,055.25	-208.75	0.00
Poppin - R	497.67	568.25	324.44		741.48
Hardship - R	8502.00	150.00	1,972.84		6,679.16
Reserve	20,000.00				20,000.00
R(estricted) Totals	10,305.36	1,685.75	4,303.29	-267.18	7,420.64
All Funds Totals	39,223.33	117,690.65	122,713.01	0.00	34,200.97
					34,200.97



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Westward Ho! Baptist Church

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31/12/2023

**Charity no
(if any)**

1198050

Set out on pages

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(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 31/12/2023 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.

Signed:

Date: 01/03/2024

Name: Rev. Andrew Littlejohn

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

ACAT

Address:

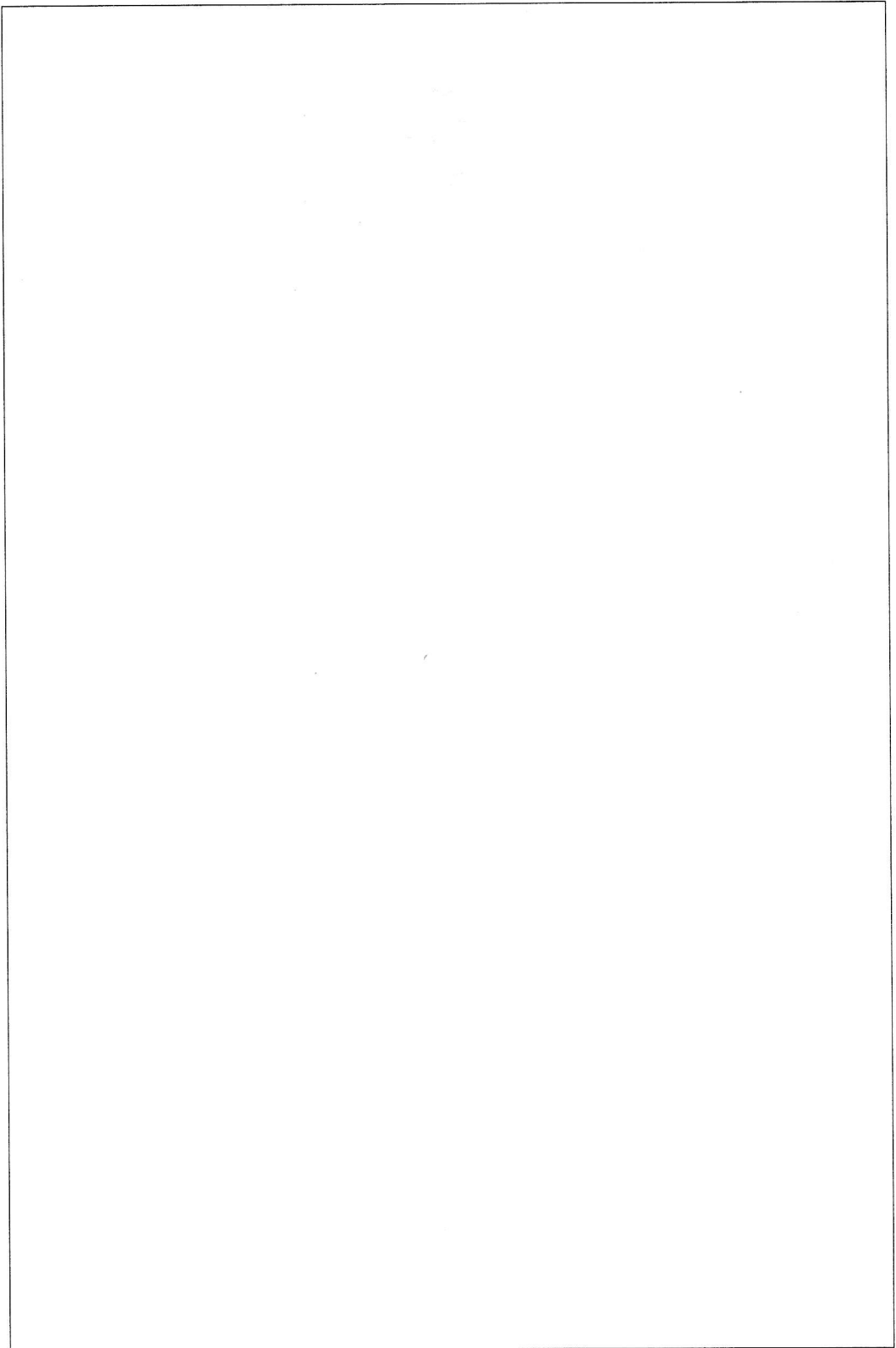
Nethania, Torridge Road,

Appledore

Bideford. EX39 1SF

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.



WESTWARD HO! BAPTIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1198050

Accounts

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 01	Month 10	Year 2022		Day 31	Month 12	Year 2022

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address

Nelson Drive	
Westward Ho!	
Devon	
Postcode	EX39 1LQ

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	Rev Tim Sutton	Pastor		Church Members
2	David Wilson	Deacon/Secretary		Ditto
3	Nic Hopkinson	Deacon/Treasurer		Ditto
5	Laurence Boys	Deacon		Ditto
6	Alexis Okill	Deacon		Ditto
7	Rod Smith	Deacon		Ditto
8	Pete Last	Deacon		Ditto
9				
10				
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17				
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19				

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

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
Baptist Union Corporation	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Independent Examiner	Andrew Littlejohn	Nethania, Torridge Road, Appledore EX39 1SF

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

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Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution adopted 1 st October 2022
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Trustees must be members of the church with a demonstrated commitment to the life and events of the church and to their faith. Trustees are elected by the Church members for a period of three years, then must either offer themselves for re-election or choose to stand down. They may subsequently stand for re-election for one further three year term.

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.

<p>The Charity works with the South West Baptist Association and, where necessary, with the Baptist Union of Great Britain</p> <p>A Risk Assessment of the overall aspects of the Church's work and property is reviewed annually with individual Risk Assessments for specific groups or activities..</p> <p>Procedures are in place to ensure H&S requirements are adhered to with nominated personnel performing regular checks.</p> <p>The charity acts in accordance with all DBS vetting procedures and appoints a senior church member as Safeguarding Officer</p> <p>The Trustees have reviewed current Data Protection procedures to ensure the charity complies with current legislation.</p>

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

The principal purpose of the Charity is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination. The Church may also advance education and carry out other charitable purposes in the United Kingdom and/or other parts of the world.

The Church wishes to show the love of the Lord Jesus Christ in both word and deed and to bring people into a closer relationship with Him as living Lord.

The Church, whilst not being in any way exclusive, endorses the traditional beliefs of the Christian faith in matters of justice and morality and accepts the Statement of Faith of the Evangelical Alliance UK

Central to the work and witness of the church is the provision of regular public services of Christian worship. Morning and Evening Sunday worship and weekday prayer and Bible teaching sessions are regularly held with the Sunday service being relayed online. For those unable or still reluctant for COVID reasons to attend live events, fortnightly Online prayer meetings are run. The Church seeks to be a friendly and welcoming community, anyone is free to attend any of the times of worship.

Home Groups meet weekly or fortnightly, to maintain pastoral contact and to develop growth in faith and discipleship.

TODDLERS, WHY, POPPIN, LIFT OFF and MEN'S BREAKFAST

The Church runs a number of Community groups and activities.

A toddlers group for Parents, Carers and Toddlers (Seaside Treasures), a children's club (Shine) and a Youth club (WHY) run in the main Worship Space on Thursday mornings and Friday evenings. All these are weekly events.

Our Saturday morning community event Poppin runs weekly, with a remit to offer friendship and support and also an opportunity to meet and to have their well-being enhanced.

Our women's group Lift Off meets on Tuesday afternoons weekly with a program of speakers, activities and support.

Monthly on Saturday mornings a Men's Breakfast is provided.

All these events are very well attended, provide significant benefit for those who come along and demonstrate the love of the Lord Jesus Christ for all the community.

HALL HIRINGS

The hall is in regular use by community groups, with an arts group and a group catering for disadvantaged people meeting weekly, and also used by citizens meetings, community children's parties, other charities and occasional functions.

SAFEGUARDING

The Church ensures that all people working with children and vulnerable adults are vetted through DBS checks and has full safeguarding policies in place

PASTORAL CARE

The Church has a strong ethic for Pastoral Care, both for its members and for the community. A pastoral care system is run to endeavour to maintain a high standard. The Church has a Hardship Fund to assist with those needing financial assistance.

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)

The church uses a significant portion of its income to make donations to other charities who have similar aims to the charity, working either in UK or overseas. The charities supported this year were:

Baptist Mission Society
Baptist Union Home Mission
London City Mission
Hope From Above
Operation Mobilisation

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We continued with financial support of the local Christians Against Poverty (Debt and Addictions work) inter-churches group as well as participation in their activities.

The Trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit and are satisfied that the activities outlined above clearly demonstrate that the charity is providing such benefit.

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.

The Church does not have a policy on grant making as no grants are made.

Apart from the functions of the Minister and remuneration for a Site Operations Manager, Cleaner and Ministry Assistant all church activities were run by unpaid volunteers who are members of or are regular attendees of the church.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

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Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)		
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)		
Date		



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name Westward Ho! Baptist Church	No (if any) 1198050
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 03/03/2022	To	Period end date 31/12/2022
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Offerings and Tax Recoverable	22,707	147	-	22,854	-
Bank Interest	20	-	-	20	-
Lettings	1,736	-	-	1,736	-
Other Receipts	247	-	-	247	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	24,710	147	-	24,857	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	24,710	147	-	24,857	-
A3 Payments					
Mission	2,913	1,217	-	4,130	-
Church Repairs & Maintenance	2,798	48	-	2,846	-
Manse	996	-	-	996	-
Insurance & Legal	353	-	-	353	-
Utilities	1,344	-	-	1,344	-
Outreach	904	150	-	1,054	-
Minister	8,423	-	-	8,423	-
Miscellaneous	3,822	1,587	-	5,409	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	21,553	3,002	-	24,555	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	21,553	3,002	-	24,555	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	3,157	- 2,855	-	302	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	27,057	11,862	-	38,919	-
Cash funds this year end	30,214	9,007	-	39,221	-

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	HSBC Community Account	2,910	-	-
	HSBC Business Manager Account	6,325	9,007	-
	BU Account	20,000	-	-
	Cash	979		
	Total cash funds		30,214	9,007
	(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)
	Chairs & Tables		-	-
	Kitchen Equipment		-	-
	Computers, PA & Television		-	-
	Pool Table		-	-
	Children's Groups Equipment		-	-
	Scaffold Tower		-	-
	Music Equipment		-	-
	Fire Extinguishers		-	-
Bibles		-	-	
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	