

# PARK HILL EVANGELICAL CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1198587

## Details

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**Other names** PARK HILL CHURCH BRIGHTON

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2022-04-12

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

## Contact

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Park Hill  
Brighton  
BN2 0BT

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO ARE:(1) TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATEMENT OF BELIEFS APPEARING IN THE SCHEDULE HERETO ATTACHED IN BRIGHTON, EAST SUSSEX AND SUCH OTHER PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OR THE WORLD AND IN SUCH WAYS AS THE TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME THINK FIT; (2) TO RELIEVE PERSONS WHO ARE IN CONDITIONS OF NEED, HARDSHIP, OR DISTRESS, OR WHO ARE AGED, OR SICK, IN SUCH WAYS AS THE TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME THINK FIT, CONSISTENT WITH THE STATEMENT OF BELIEFS.

**Activities:** To advance the Christian faith in accordance with our statements of belief (in Brighton, East Sussex and other parts of the UK or the world) in such ways as the Trustees may from time to time may think fit.To relieve persons who are in various types of need as the Trustees may from time to time think fit, consistent with our statement of beliefs.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Religious Activities, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- Brighton And Hove
- East Sussex

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-09-30	£13,540	£0	-	-
2023-09-30	£0	£0	-	-

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
John Charles Prideaux		2022-04-12
John Francis Dean		2022-04-12
Margaret Ann Clarke		2022-04-12

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# Accounts

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# **Park Hill Evangelical Church**

**ANNUAL REPORT AND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH OF SEPTEMBER 2024**

**Charity Number: 1198587**

Independent Examiners Ltd  
Unit 2  
The Broadbridge Business Centre  
Delling Lane  
Bosham  
PO18  
8NF

## **PARK HILL EVANGELICAL CHURCH**

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**PARK HILL EVANGELICAL CHURCH**  
**LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

<b>CHARITY NUMBER</b>	1198587
<b>START OF FINANCIAL YEAR</b>	01st October 2023
<b>END OF FINANCIAL YEAR</b>	30th September 2024
<b>TRUSTEES SERVING DURING AND AFTER THE YEAR</b>	Derek Fortnam - Chair of trustees John Prideaux Margaret Ann Clarke - Treasurer John Dean
<b>GOVERNING DOCUMENT</b>	CIO - FOUNDATION Registered 12 Apr 2022
<b>OBJECTS</b>	<p>To advance the Christian faith in Brighton, East Sussex and such other parts of the UK or the world and in such ways as the Trustees may from time to time think fit.</p> <p>To relieve persons who are in conditions of need, hardship or distress, or who are aged or sick, in such ways as the Trustees may from time to time think fit, consistent with the statement of beliefs.</p>
<b>REGISTERED ADDRESS</b>	Park Hill Evangelical Church Park Hill Brighton BN2 0BT
<b>INDEPENDENT EXAMINER</b>	Z Derbak Independent Examiners Ltd Unit 2 The Broadbridge Business Centre Delling Lane Bosham PO18 8NF

**PARK HILL EVANGELICAL CHURCH**  
**TRUSTEES' REPORT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH OF SEPTEMBER 2024**

**OBJECTIVES AND ACHIEVEMENTS**

To advance the Christian faith in Brighton, East Sussex and such other parts of the UK or the world and in such ways as the Trustees may from time to time think fit.

To relieve persons who are in conditions of need, hardship or distress, or who are aged or sick, in such ways as the Trustees may from time to time think fit, consistent with the statement of beliefs.

We have regular Sunday morning services with the aim of clearly sharing the teaching of the Bible and encouraging those present to respond to and apply its truth to their lives. Week night prayer meetings via Zoom are ongoing, there is also an opportunity for fellowship and prayer at Park Hill each Saturday morning. Pastoral care, outreach by means of YouTube videos. Visiting and caring for people in need.

The Trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

All members of the church are expected to engage in caring for the spiritual, physical and emotional needs of individuals as opportunity and ability allows.

**ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE**

Whilst our present Pastor's presence in person has been quite restricted during the year due to necessary home responsibilities and some health issues, he has been keeping well informed and has issued pastoral letters, phoned individuals and recorded sermons during the year. He has also taken an active part in preparing for future leadership; we have been engaging visiting preachers with a view to finding a suitable person to take over leadership responsibilities, and some of these he has had discussions with either by telephone or by personal meetings.

Although the numbers of people attending the Sunday services have been quite low, people have generally expressed appreciation of the preaching. The coffee time following the morning services has facilitated supportive friendship; helpful fellowship and support via Zoom meetings continues. Recording of sermons and publishing them on YouTube enabled those to listen who could not attend the services.

As regards our main objective of advancing the Christian faith, the regular expository preaching and teaching from the Bible strengthened existing members and visitors spiritually and emotionally; this was confirmed by beneficiaries directly and by comments on YouTube.

Those with various needs including the elderly and infirm were visited and sometimes taken for trips out. People with other needs were given assistance, sometimes by phone calls or emails.

**Financial Review and Reserves Policy**

We have two sources of income, freewill offerings mainly from members of the church and (in accordance with the Trust Deed of Flats we own) a proportion of our funds comes from rent from these Flats. (The Trust Deed of the Flats says that benefits from the property should be used in line with the religious and charitable objects of Park Hill Church.) However, until the assets were fully transferred from the old charity to the CIO, these monies continued to be received and administered via the old charity bank account and therefore were excluded from the CIO annual accounts represented here for year 2023/24. Assets transfer was successfully completed in financial year 2024/25 on the 31st of December 2024.

The charity started the process of asset transfer from legacy trust Park Hill Evangelical Church (excepted charity) and £13,500 of cash funds were transferred to the CIO in the financial year 2023/24. The cash funds at 30th of September 2024 was £13,540 (2023: Nil).

When planning an annual budget, an amount not less than would cover 3 months expenditure should be retained throughout the year, the amount of reserves held at the end of the year is £10,000.

**Structure, Governance and management**

The charity is registered with the Charity Commission as a CIO since 12 Apr 2022.

New trustees will be selected by the existing trustees, with a view to having persons with a variety of skills and experience.

The Charity is guided by a very helpful paper 'Ten Trustee responsibilities' produced by Trust Advice, along with the Charity Commission's 'Essential Trustee' publications which indicate the important matters to share with potential and new Trustees.

The Church is normally overseen by a Pastor, assisted by Diaconate.

The Church is affiliated to the Fellowship of Independent Evangelical Churches, Sussex Gospel Partnership, Affinity.

**PARK HILL EVANGELICAL CHURCH**

**TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH OF SEPTEMBER 2024**

**TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES**

The Charities Act 2011 require the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- Prepare financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the trust will continue in existence.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the trust. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the trust and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

*M. A. Clarke*

Signed on behalf of the Trustees ..... Trustee.

Print name: Mrs. Margaret Anne Clarke.....

Date: 11<sup>th</sup> July 2025.....

**PARK HILL EVANGELICAL CHURCH**  
**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH OF SEPTEMBER 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	<b>Total 2023/24 £</b>	<b>Total 2022/23 £</b>
<b>RECEIPTS :</b>					
Voluntary Receipts	2	40	0	40	0
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>		<b>40</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>PAYMENTS :</b>					
Costs of Charitable Activities	3	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES</b>		<b>40</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>0</b>
Transfer between funds		0	0	0	0
Assets transferred from legacy trust Park Hill Evangelical Church (excepted charity)		13,500	0	13,500	0
<b>BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<b>13,540</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13,540</b>	<b>0</b>

The notes on pages 8 to 9 form part of these accounts.

All operations are continuing operations.

**PARK HILL EVANGELICAL CHURCH**  
**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH OF SEPTEMBER 2024**

Notes	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	30-Sep-24 Total £	30-Sep-23 Total £
<b>ASSETS</b>				
<b>Cash Funds:</b>				
General Account	13,540	0	13,540	0
<b>Other Monetary Asset:</b>				
N/A	0	0	0	0
	<b>13,540</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13,540</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Assets retained for the Charity's own use:</b>				
Equipment	0	0	0	0
	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
Independent Examiners Fee	300	0	300	0
	<b>300</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>0</b>

**TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES IN RELATION TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Charity Law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which comply with the regulations set out in the Charities Act 2011. The Trustees have elected to take advantage of the provisions that apply to small charities and have prepared a Receipts and Payments Account and Statement of Assets and Liabilities which are set out on pages 6 and 7.

Approved by the Trustees on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2025.....and

Signed on their behalf by *M. A. Clarke* ....., Trustee.

Print name: Mrs. Margaret Anne Clarke.....

**PARK HILL EVANGELICAL CHURCH**  
**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH OF SEPTEMBER 2024**

**1. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING**

The accounts have been prepared under the "Receipts and Payments" basis as prescribed by the Charity Commissioners, and they meet the appropriate legal requirements.

**2. RECEIPTS**

Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	<b>Total 2023/24 £</b>	<b>Total 2022/23 £</b>
Bank compensation	40	0	40	0
	<b>40</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>0</b>

**3. PAYMENTS**

Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	<b>Total 2023/24 £</b>	<b>Total 2022/23 £</b>
<b>Costs of Charitable Activities</b>				
N/A	0	0	0	0
	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

There was no payment made in the 2023/24 or 2022/23 financial periods of the CIO.

**PARK HILL EVANGELICAL CHURCH**  
**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (continued)**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH OF SEPTEMBER 2024**

**4. RESTRICTED FUNDS**

The charity held no restricted funds in the financial year 2023/24 and 2022/23.

**5. PAYMENTS TO TRUSTEES**

There was no payment made to any trustees or related parties in the financial year 2023/24 and 2022/23.

**6. PUBLIC BENEFIT**

The charity acknowledges its requirement to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes or 'aims' that are for the public benefit. Details of how the charity has achieved this are provided in the Trustees report. The Trustees confirm that they have paid due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit before deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

**PARK HILL EVANGELICAL CHURCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 1198587

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# Accounts

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## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 12<sup>th</sup> April 2022 Period start date

To 30<sup>th</sup> September 2023 Period end date

Charity name: Park Hill Evangelical Church

### Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	N/A
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>The Park Hill Evangelical Church, which is set up a CIO, is set up as a successor charity to the existing excepted charity called Park Hill Evangelical Church.</p> <p>The Park Hill Evangelical Church was registered as CIO on the 12<sup>th</sup> of April 2022 (Charity Number: 1198587).</p> <p>The CIO had no other activity since its registration.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	N/A

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/A
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/A
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	N/A
		N/A

Other		
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## Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	N/A

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	N/A
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	N/A
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other Policy Development Risk Assessments Property Security		Following registration as a CIO, in preparation, we have been reviewing Policies from the Excepted Charity and developing new Policies. Presently we have in place Policies on GDPR, Safeguarding, Financial Controls, Equal Opportunities, Health and Safety.

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	N/A
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/A
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	N/A
Other		N/A

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The CIO is in the process of opening a Bank account, so no transaction took place in the accounting period and no assets have been transferred from the excepted charity.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	N/A
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	N/A
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	CIO - FOUNDATION Registered 12 Apr 2022
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	The Charity is registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	New trustees will be selected by the existing trustees, with a view to having persons with a variety of skills and experience.

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	The Charity's Trustees will be guided by a very helpful paper 'Ten Trustee responsibilities' produced by Trust Advice, along with the Charity Commission's 'Essential Trustee' publications which indicate the important matters to share with potential and new Trustees. Following this guidance should ensure prospective Trustees will be fully informed of all material matters regarding the Charity, including viewing copies of the Constitution, latest TAR, and Statement of Accounts.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

### Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Park Hill Evangelical Church
Other name the charity uses	Evangelical Free Church
Registered charity number	
Charity's principal address	Park Hill Evangelical Church Park Hill Brighton BN2 0BT

**Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

	<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Office (if any)</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	<b>Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)</b>
1	Margaret Clarke	Deacon	Whole period.	
2	John Dean		“	
3	Derek Fortnam	Pastor	“	
4	John Prideaux		“	
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**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

<b>Director name</b>		
<b>N/A</b>		

**Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity**

<b>Trustee name</b>	<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>	
<b>N/A</b>		

## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Charity Advisers	Trust Advice	Unit 2, Broadbridge Business Centre, Delling Lane, Bosham, Chichester, PO18 8NF

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

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## Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A
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## Other optional information

N/A
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## Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

*M. A. Clarke*

*John Dean*

Full name(s)

Margaret Clarke (Trustee)

John Dean (Trustee)

Position (eg Secretary,  
Chair, etc)

Trustee

Date

30/07/2024



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name  
Park Hill Evangelical Church

No (if any)  
1198587

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## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 4/12/2022	To	Period end date 9/30/2023
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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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total receipts</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total payments</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	-	-	-	-	-

# 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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	-	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

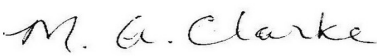
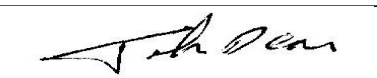
	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

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

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Margaret Clarke	7/30/2024
	John Dean	30/07/2024