

LANSDOWNE CHAPEL SHEFFIELD

England & Wales · Charity number 1199468

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2022-06-28

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

Contact

Address Lansdowne Chapel
104 Cemetery Road
Sheffield
S11 8FP

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECT OF THE CIO IS, FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT:, TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN SUCH WAYS AND IN SUCH PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM AND THE WORLD AS THE CHARITY TRUSTEES FROM TIME TO TIME MAY THINK FIT.

Activities: Lansdowne Chapel Sheffield. A local churchthe advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with the Evangelical Alliance Basis of Faith, both in the UK and Worldwidesuch other charitable purposes as shall, in the opinion of the charity trustees further the work of the Church.Operating from Lansdowne Chapel, 104 Cemetery Road, Sheffield S11 8FP

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Sheffield City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£29,826	£28,478	-	-
2023-12-31	£29,206	£25,346	-	-
2022-12-31	£15,000	£7,000	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Onkar Singh	Chair	2022-06-28
Eliseu Manuel Zonzo Balanga		2022-06-28
Paul Andrew Morrison		2022-06-28
Stephen Leslie Fryer		2022-06-28

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Lansdowne Chapel Sheffield – Trustees Annual Report for 2024

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Administrative information

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Contact phone numbers 07576 251312 and 01142580799

Lansdowne Chapel Sheffield (the church) opened in 1892 and has served the people of local area since that time. During 2022 the church adopted a new constitution and applied to the Charity Commission to register as a CIO. This application was accepted and confirmed on 28/06/2022.

Objectives and Activities of the Charity

Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document

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- Giving and encouraging Pastoral Care
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- Encouraging relationships with local church congregations

Summaries of the main activities of the church in relation to its objects

Church services are held at least once a week and are open to members of the local community. Communion is usually observed twice a month and Baptisms are held as appropriate. Each service includes prayers including intercessions.

Every Sunday during the church service we offer activities for children and young people from 0 to 18 years of age. We offer a warm, welcoming and multicultural Sunday School (known as Kingdom Kids) with age appropriate crafts, bible learning and lessons for the older children.

The work of the church includes outreach to the local community and one of our main projects is a postcard ministry where we design, print and distribute a 'postcard' sized card talking about a particular aspect of life and the Christian faith.

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We hold a Breakfast church service which is open to all the local community and any visitors. A full Breakfast is served at this service to all who wish to participate may attend.

We also advance the Christian Faith and further the work of the church in general by financially supporting missionaries in a number of countries and here in the UK. These are noted in our church accounts.

We have friendly contact with the local churches in our area and have a particularly close relationship with Central House Church, St Marys Gate, Sheffield. We have regular joint meetings throughout the year with Central House Church and both churches appreciate the support.

Within the fellowship of the church we encourage people to belong to our very active Prayer and Fellowship Group on Whatsapp, this enables closer friendship, fellowship and pastoral care throughout the week to take place.

The church has kept in touch with various church members who have been unable to attend, for various reasons. We offer regular visits and practical help as required.

We also have a fortnightly Zoom prayer group where members of the congregation pray together and make intercessions for the local, national and Worldwide church.

Summary of the main achievements and performance of the charity during the year.

Ministry Review

The church continues to see a regular number of attendees including families with children and our children's provision has been increased by the introduction of Kingdom Kids to meet this increase. We have had regular visiting speakers from varied denominations throughout the year and also, a regular 'virtual preacher' slot provided by Dr Derek Stringer, former Director of Good News Broadcasting Association.

The service we introduced last year, 'Songs of Praise' continues to be popular, it is scheduled around once a quarter. This service involves members of the church congregation selecting a personal favourite song/hymn for the church congregation to sing and firstly, introducing it in the service by one or two sentences explaining the reason for their choice. This service also includes testimonies from church members and is a deliberate move by the leadership team to increase the contribution from individual church members.

We have marked important Nationwide Occasions during 2024 such as Remembrance Sunday and have had the sad duty of conducting funerals of church members.

The outreach of the church has continued with the Postcard Ministry and we have seen people make contact with the church through this regular outreach.

We have welcomed new attendees and enjoy the contribution that visitors make.

Social Media

The church has a website which is fairly basic but is in the process of being expanded and improved. This is an area where our church members with computer/IT backgrounds can get involved.

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Other congregations

The church also has a French/Congolese Fellowship that uses the building and meets weekly on a Sunday afternoon. They use the church in the afternoon and evening and have a growing congregation. They also occasionally use the downstairs church room for fellowship meals and celebrations. It is good to see the church building used all day on a Sunday for services and fellowship.

Community resource

A local Drama Group use the church building regularly for rehearsals and they put on regular performances in Sheffield.

A local Brass Band use the church building regularly for rehearsals and have done for several years.

The church building is a resource that is appreciated and used by various groups.

Property

The building, given the age of the structure, continues to offer challenges in terms of maintenance.

Our plans for 2025 include a full refurbishment of the downstairs lounge including new roof and internal structure. We continue with day to day maintenance of inside such as repairing walls where the plaster is coming away and these tasks are ongoing with a building the age of Lansdowne Chapel.

The new boiler is still proving to be an excellent choice and is functioning well. It is extremely efficient and takes little time to heat the building well.

We continue to make good use of the large TV monitor has been installed in the main church space to replace the unreliable projector. This has proved to be a worthwhile

investment and has improved clarity and accessibility for word projection and videos/powerpoint presentations in general.

Grateful thanks for the faithfulness of those who volunteer and assist with day to day cleaning and maintenance in and around the church building.

Public benefit that is provided by the charity

The objectives of the Church and the public nature of the activities carried out to fulfil them, coupled with the open and free invitation to members of the public to participate in them, means they are accepted by the Charity Commission as giving rise to a public benefit. So, by working to meet our objectives, we are delivering a recognised public benefit.

The trustees confirm that they have paid due regard to the guidance provided by the Charity Commission on public benefit in planning and managing these activities throughout the year.

Structure, governance and constitution of the Charity.

The Church is a member of the Evangelical Alliance. The Church was registered by the Charity Commission for England and Wales ON THE DATE OF 28 June 2022.

There are 4 Trustees and **all** Charity Trustees must subscribe and adhere to, in belief and lifestyle, the Statement of Faith.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 19/10/25

Signature

Onkar Singh — chair of the trustees

Income	2024
General fund	
General collection	£14,495.50
Gift aid collection	£13,080.80
Rent income	£2,250.00
Sub-Total	£29,826.30
Total	£29,826.30
Expenditure	
General fund (Unrestricted)	
Building & Maintenance	£15,683.40
Cleaning	£1,200.00
Gas/electricity/water	£3,786.68
Insurance	£1,317.40
Internet	£712.80
Speakers' Gifts	£1,100.50
Support for Graham Reed	£1,200.00
Sundries	£850.00
Sub-total	£2,627.71
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A new large TV monitor has been installed in the main church space to replace the unreliable projector. This has proved to be a worthwhile investment and has improved clarity and accessibility for word projection and videos/powerpoint presentations in general.

We need to give attention to the downstairs lounge (replacement roof required and room refurbishment) and the main church roof in 2024. There are slipped slates on the main roof and water leaks in the downstairs lounge.

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This report was approved by the Trustees on 27/9/24

Signature

Onkar Singh – chair of the trustees

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 28/6/22 (registration date of CIO) to 31/12/2022

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Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>The objects of the Church are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">*the advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with the Evangelical Alliance Basis of Faith, both in the UK and Worldwide*Such other charitable purposes as shall, in the opinion of the charity trustees further the work of the Church.
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>Our first object is the advancement of the Christian faith. We do so by regular church activities including Sunday Services and other services such as prayer meetings. These meetings include praise and worship, prayer, sermons teaching the bible and bible verse memorisation. All these activities help the congregation advance their Christian Faith and learn more about the faith and the Christian Gospel.</p> <p>Our second object is furthering the work of the church and we have a postcard ministry where we design, print and distribute a 'postcard' sized card talking about a particular aspect of life and the Christian faith. These postcards contain an invitation to any of the church services and over a thousand are distributed by the church members to the immediate neighbourhood surrounding the church.</p> <p>We also advance the Christian Faith and further the work of the church in general by financially supporting missionaries in a number of countries and here in the UK. These are noted in our church accounts</p>
Statement confirming	Para 1.18	The church provides regular worship and

whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit		all are welcome to these services. For example the regular postcard ministry includes an invitation to the church and its regular services. In carrying out these activities the church has careful regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	n/a
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	n/a
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Our church members make an ongoing contribution to the life of the church including participating in Church services, serving in the kitchen, musical contributions and practical day to day contributions such as visiting those who are unable to attend church for a variety of health reasons. Church members look after the church building and all the practical work this involves, including cleaning, gardening/weeding/decorating and other practical matters.
Other		n/a

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	The trustees wish to offer a welcoming environment to all who attend our services and have been successful in welcoming several new local people into the church. Our church services have a variety of content and once a month at least we offer an all age worship service to particularly encourage young children and involve them in church life. The church helps mark important milestones through life and conducted a Wedding in July 2022. We have also hosted and conducted a number of funerals including lunches/teas afterwards for the bereaved families. The support to bereaved families does not

		<p>only include the funeral itself, but regular followups afterwards to check on their welfare.</p> <p>This kind of support is very important and benefits the families, helping them cope with the loss of a loved one and start to look forward. The trustees and other members of the church undertake regular visits to those members who are too frail to attend church in person, offering communion and a listening ear and support as required.</p>
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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		n/a

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Income from the period including church collections and rental income 15,196,76. The detailed breakdown is included in the accounts. We are very grateful for the faithful giving of the congregation at Lansdowne Chapel Sheffield.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	There is no formal reserves policy, cash is held in the bank for future maintenance and running costs for the church
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Variable cash in the bank
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	n/a
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	None
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	None

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	The principal sources of funds is church collections and rental from groups who rent the church buildings.
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	None
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Apart from the first Charity Trustees, who are all in post from the founding of the CIO every Charity Trustee must be appointed by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the Charity Trustees.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	N/A
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	N/A
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	N/A
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Lansdowne Chapel Sheffield
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1199468
Charity's principal address	104, Cemetery Road, Sheffield S11 8FP

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	Onkar Singh	Chair	28/6/22 onwards (registration date of cio)	
2	Eliseu Balanga	Treasurer	28/6/22 onwards (registration date of cio)	
3	Stephen Fryer		28/6/22 onwards (registration date of cio)	
4	Paul Morrison		28/6/22 onwards (registration date of cio)	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved **N/A**

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity **N/A**

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

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	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional) N/A

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

N/A

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

N/A

Other optional information

None

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Onkar Singh

Full name(s)

Onkar Singh

Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)

Chair

Date

11/10/2023

Mini AGM Financial Update				
Income	2019	2020	2021	
General fund				
Sunday Collections + Rent Income	£14,138.21	£10,013.71	£15,196.76	
Sub-Total	£14,138.21	£10,013.71	£15,196.76	
Restricted Fund				
Special mission collections	£4,057.00	£786.00	£0.00	
HRMC Gift aid return	£2,340.23	£2,403.75	£0.00	
Total	£20,535.44	£13,203.46	£15,196.76	
Expenditure				
General fund (Unrestricted)				
Building, Maintenance & Cleaning	£1,554.31	£1,302.88	£2,904.58	
Gas/electricity/water/Insurance + Insurance	£3,631.67	£2,935.79	£2,295.22	
Speakers' Gifts	£975.00	£550.00	£50.00	
Support for Graham Reed	£2,000.00	£1,200.00	£1,200.00	
Catering	£744.07	£96.09	£0.00	
Children's work	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	
Sundries	£2,444.19	£1,314.91	£1,524.82	
Sub-total	£11,349.24	£7,399.67	£7,974.62	
Restricted fund				
Mission support	£420.11	£2,001.45	£218.50	
Total	£11,769.35	£9,401.12	£8,193.12	
	£8,766.09	£3,802.34	£7,003.64	

Bank Balances		
Balance at 31/12/2019		£34,508.39
Balance at 31/12/2020		£39,250.69
Balance at 31/12/2021		£47,343.49
Balance at 30/09/2022		£25,018.06