

# Kings Church Coventry CIO Trustee Annual Report

For the Year Ending 31 March 2025

Registered Charity Number: 1199921

## 1. Reference and Administrative Information

<b>Name of Charity:</b>	Kings Church Coventry CIO
<b>Charity Registration Number:</b>	119921
<b>Charity's Principle Address:</b>	Cheylesmore Community Centre, 111 Arundel Road, Coventry CV3 5JL
<b>Website:</b>	kingschurchcoventry.org
<b>Trustees at the time of report:</b>	Douglas Whiffen (Chair) Joseph Jamieson Brian Naweji Elaine Pool Paula Grimes
<b>Bankers:</b>	Co-operative Bank, Business Customer Services, PO Box 250, Skelmersdale WN8 6WT
<b>Independent Examiner:</b>	Rebecca Eccleston, Beccles Business Consulting Ltd, 3 School Lane, Swavesey, Cambridge, CB24 4RL

Kings Church Coventry CIO is a Registered Charity Number 119921, registered on 01 August 2022 as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. The charity is governed by its Trustees in accordance with its governing document, *Kings Church Coventry, Constitution of a Charitable Incorporated Organisation whose only voting members are its Charity Trustees*, dated 08 May 2022. Previously the activities of the charity were undertaken by the charity Kings Church Coventry Trust, registered Number 1057500 prior to incorporation.

The Trustees are pleased to present this report and annual accounts for the reporting period of the Charity from 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025. The report includes the information required by the Charity SORP FRS102 as a Charity registered in England and Wales.

## 2. Structure, Governance, and Management

The Trustees are responsible for the overall strategic direction, oversight, and management of the charity. The Trustees meet regularly to review the activities of the charity, ensure legal compliance, and ensure that the church's resources are used effectively and efficiently.

During the reporting year, the charity has operated under the guidance of the following Trustees:

- Douglas Whiffen, Chair
- Joseph Jamieson (also a core leader)
- Brian Naweji

Day to day management of the charity is assigned to the core leadership of the church. The core leadership team structure consists of 6 people (3 couples) allowing diverse life experiences to be brought to the running of the church. All the core leaders serve the charity in a voluntary capacity. The core leadership team all have specific key areas of responsibility and lead further planning groups on areas such as teaching, pastoral care, worship leading, community outreach, global impact.

The Trustee board also meets regularly to review governance, financial status, and the strategic direction of the charity. Key decisions, including approving budgets and setting major objectives, are discussed and agreed at these meetings.

New trustees are generally recruited from those known to the existing trustees. In recruiting trustees, regard is given to skills requirements highlighted by the trustee skills audit. Potential recruits are pointed to the Charity Commission guidance, particularly around the subject of "the essential trustee and the public benefit requirement. Potential trustees are given the opportunity to attend a trustee meeting and given the opportunity to ask questions about the role and what is expected of them.

### 3. Objectives and Activities

The Objects of Kings Church Coventry CIO are, for the public benefit: the advancement of the Christian faith; the advancement of education in accordance with Christian principles; and the relief of persons who are in need by reason of their age, disability, ill-health, unemployment, financial hardship and such other economic or social disadvantage.

During the reporting year we have continued to meet these objectives with the following key activities:

1. Weekly Sunday morning worship service. This is a service open to all who wish to attend, free of charge where congregants are facilitated to worship God together and we have run teaching series on the key tenants of the Christian faith. Activities are also run for both children and youth, teaching and encouraging them in their faith.
2. Mid-week groups. During year we continued to meet in smaller groups to facilitate teaching, and growth in the faith of those attending, as well as building a community spirit.
3. We continued our financial support of the Global Care Zambia project, working with Global Care, and their partners on the ground to help with the continued construction of education facilities at the school, as well as the ability to provide some acute relief supplies during times of local hardship in the region.
4. We also carried out several activities to support the local community as detailed below.

The trustees confirm that they have had regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit.

## 4. Achievements and Performance

Many of our aims this year have been achieved through our regular Sunday and Mid-week groups, as well as the following key milestones:

- We continued to meet regularly through the year, with a consistent attendance to our Sunday morning gatherings
- For the first time in a few years we joyfully celebrated a baptism service, where several members of the congregation made public commitments to faith and were encouraged and prayed for by the whole church.
- We continued to operate online broadcast of our services, enabling access to the services for a small but significant part of the church membership who are either mostly or occasionally housebound. This has enabled them to connect with the services which they would otherwise be unable to attend.
- Following our previous family funday, we continued this holding two during the year involving times of worship, fellowship and activities at a nearby village hall. This was a success and the local location enabled a greater proportion of people to attend, as well as some guests from the local area who do not normally connect with church.
- Our partnership with Global Care continued to support development and needs at M8 school in Zambia.
- We renewed our connection with other local churches during the year, particularly joining in a bi-weekly time of extended worship on a mid-week evening. This enabled a time of extended worship for those who wished to attend, that is not always possible in the context of the regular weekly services, and also facilitated attendance by those who are not always able to connect on Sunday's due to outside commitments.
- Small groups were reviewed and re-organised to ensure they were relevant and accessible to all members of the church. Due to new locations and position in faith journey of those involved.

## 5. Financial Review

The financial performance for the year has been positive, with a continued steady income through several structural changes, and expenditure managed within budget. We are pleased to report that we have been able to increase our cash reserves following restructuring costs, ensuring that the charity is well-placed to meet its future financial commitments.

- **Total Income:** £47,128
- **Total Expenditure:** £34,150
- **Surplus/Deficit for the Year:** £12,978
- **Reserves:** £25,395

The trustees have a regularly reviewed reserves policy, where we seek to hold sufficient funds to enable the charity to meet its financial obligations in a winding up scenario, along with a contingency that gives us operating space should an unexpected expense arise or income significantly reduce. At the time of reporting this was calculated to be £8,620.

Due to the increased level of funds held by the charity, the adoption of an investment policy has been approved to ensure that due process and appropriate guidance is followed in management of the Charity resources.

A review of the activities of the Charity has been initiated to look at areas that we can expand our work, as our income in the last couple of years has been significantly in excess of operating costs, and we have now recovered a suitable reserves level.

All funds held by the Charity at the time of reporting are unrestricted.

At the time of reporting, the trustees have no concerns on the Charity's ability to remain a going concern.

## 6. Plans for the Future

Looking forward, Kings Church Coventry CIO is excited about the future and the opportunities for growth and expansion. Key areas of focus for the upcoming year include:

- **Expansion of Online Presence:** We plan to continue to develop our online services, making our ministry more accessible to people who are unable to attend in person.
- **Strengthening Mission Partnerships:** Focusing on furthering our mission partnerships both locally and globally, particularly in supporting under-resourced communities.
- **Expansion of small group work:** We plan to develop small group training sessions that can explore specific aspects of faith in greater depth and therefore grow the faith of those who attend. Creation of new mentorship groups to create spaces where struggles of life can be discussed and members of the community can be supported to grow.
- **Increasing Community Outreach:** Continuing to grow our outreach programs, including social justice initiatives, homelessness support, and mental health services.
- **Resumption of church annual weekend away.** The resumption of an annual weekend away took place in May 2025, shortly after the end of this reporting period. Its success has led to plans to continue this in 2026. The church weekend away is a time where community can be built and faith strengthened through a more extended time away.

## 7. 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 including Financial Reporting Standard 102: The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the income and expenditure of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping sufficient accounting records that 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 trust deed/constitution. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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**Approved by the general meeting of the trustees on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2026.**

**Signed on behalf of the Trustees,**

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Douglas Whiffen

Chair, Kings Church Coventry CIO  
21/01/2026



**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Kings Church Coventry, registration number 1199921**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 to 31 March 2025 which are set out on the following pages.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

I report in respect of my examination of your company's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

	Unrestricted	Restricted	<b>2025 Total</b>	2024 Total
<b>Income</b>				
Donations and Legacies	41,999	-	41,999	16,777
Church/Charitable Activities	-	4,910	4,910	58
Exceptional income	-	-	-	10,509
Other income	66	-	66	-
Investments	153	-	153	-
Income Total	42,218	4,910	47,128	27,344
<b>Expenditure</b>				
Charitable Activities	26,573	4,910	31,483	15,769
Support and Governance	2,667	-	2,667	-
Expenditure total	29,240	4,910	34,150	15,769
	<b>12,978</b>	-	<b>12,978</b>	11,575
<b>Other Income/(Loss)</b>	-	-	-	842
<b>Net movement of funds</b>	<b>12,978</b>	-	<b>12,978</b>	12,417
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>				
Total funds b/f	12,417	-	<b>12,417</b>	-
Total funds c/f	25,395	-	<b>25,395</b>	12,417

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**BALANCE SHEET**

	Unrestricted	Restricted	<b>2025 Total</b>	2024 Total
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>				
Tangible assets	668	-	<b>668</b>	842
<b>TOTAL FIXED ASSETS</b>	<u>668</u>	<u>-</u>	<u><b>668</b></u>	<u>842</u>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>				
Debtors	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand	24,727	-	<b>24,727</b>	11,956
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<u>24,727</u>	<u>-</u>	<u><b>24,727</b></u>	<u>11,956</u>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>				
Creditors: amounts falling due within 1 year	-	-	-	381
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>	24,727	-	<b>24,727</b>	11,575
<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS</b>	<u><u>25,395</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u><b>25,395</b></u></u>	<u><u>12,417</u></u>

The following notes form part of the financial statements

The financial statements were approved by the trustees on 21 January 2026

and signed on its behalf by:



Doug Whiffen  
Chair of Trustees of Kings Church Coventry

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### 1. Basis of preparation

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost of the transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note to these accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) effective 1 January 2019, with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act.

The accounts present a true and fair view and the accounting policies adopted are:

#### Recognition of Income

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when:

- The charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- It is more likely than not that the trustees will received the resources; and
- The monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability

#### Tax reclaims on donations and gifts

Gift Aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor. Any Gift Aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.

#### Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.

#### Assets

They are valued at cost and depreciation is calculated

### 2. Income

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2025	2024
<b>Donations</b>	33,933	-	33,933	13,637
<b>Gift Aid</b>	8,066	-	8,066	3,141
<b>Weekend Away</b>	-	4,910	4,910	-
<b>Other Income</b>	219	-	219	900
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>42,218</b>	<b>4,910</b>	<b>47,128</b>	<b>17,678</b>

### 3. Expenditure

		2025	2024
Administration		1,508	677
Communications		32	593
Copyright		584	561
Insurance		391	382
Training		600	100
Office Costs		468	375
Professional Fees		694	360
Refreshments		662	306
Rent		11,404	4,922
Salaries		4,992	4,195
Social Activities		394	50
Youth Activities		1,041	350
Church Weekend Away		5,470	-
Donations given:	<i>Global Care</i>	5,616	2,808
	<i>Local Charities</i>	120	60
Depreciation		174	30
Total		34,150	15,769

### 4. Staff Costs

		2025	2024
Salaries		4,992	4,195
NICs		-	-
Total		4,992	4,195

There was 1 employee during the year (2024: 1)

### 5. Related Parties

There were no related transactions. There were no payments to trustees.

### 6. Tangible Fixed Assets

		2025	2024
At the beginning of the year		842	872
Depreciation		174	30
Value at the end of the year		668	842