



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From: 01/08/23 Period start date To: 31/07/24 Period end date

Charity name: Bransgore Community Church

Charity registration number: 1200372

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<p>To advance the Christian Faith in accordance with the statement of beliefs of the Evangelical Alliance in Bransgore, Christchurch, Dorset and other parts of the UK and world as the trustees may see fit. Also to fulfil such other purposes which are exclusively charitable according to UK law and connected with the charitable work of the trust.</p> <p>Additionally, to help relieve hardship and promote good health (emotional, physical, and spiritual) through our provision of funds, goods and services of any kind, including through the provisions of counselling, pastoral support, mentoring, family, youth, children, schools work and other support in the UK or world as the trustees think fit.</p>
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 Charity Incorporated Organisation, known as Bransgore Community Church, has provided the following services this year:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) The provision of weekly services, small group studies, prayer meetings, discipleship courses and mentoring that help people discover the Christian faith and to grow in their knowledge and understanding.2) The provision of youth and children's groups, both on Sundays and during the week, including monthly events for families and an annual summer club, helping children and youth to grow in their faith, have social interactions, support with mental, emotional, and spiritual health, and maturity as well as providing a safe environment to learn.3) The provisions of groups for those a: struggling with memory loss and their carers, b: those dealing with mental health issues, c: groups for toddlers, their parents/carers, d: social groups (such as games cafes, quiz and movie

		<p>nights) and e. Family events for children and the whole family that provide support, safety and connection with others at a similar life stage.</p> <p>4) The provision of a facility for a lunch club serving the elderly and lonely, counselling service and other community activities as they arise.</p> <p>5) Financial, prayer and practical support of organisations and people in the local and surrounding areas and various parts of the UK and world as and when required.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees have considered the charity commission's guidance, and we consider that our activities fall within the scope of being of public benefit.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	We do not make grants for our charity.
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	This does not apply to us
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	The church has a small staff team, but many of the activities are carried out by volunteers. Their contributions in terms of time, talents and resources are the reason we are able to carry out the objectives of the charity – without them we would not exist.
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
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<p>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.</p>	<p>Para 1.20</p>	<p>During this year the charity achieved the continuation of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) In person and virtual (online) services and seeing an increase in attendance in both services. 2) Throughout this year we have maintained our children and youth ministries, including the Sunday evening group for those in school years 10-13. IGNITE kids (key stage 1&2) for families has grown significantly this year with a large number of families joining the activities, including a community Easter trail (drawing 103 families) along with other monthly activities and events. Additionally our Monday Night youth ministry has maintained a steady intake of young people, providing support for many families, and a safe space for young people. 3) In addition to the Monday evening youth club for school years 7-10, our group for Carers and those with memory loss group, mental health support group, lunch club, mother and toddlers' groups, have all grown significantly in those attending and benefitting from their services. 4) We have continued to strengthen our links with partner organisations to provide support through our lunch club for the elderly, counselling services providing one to one and couples counselling, fitness classes, and with the local Rotary for community events (see below) etc. 5) We also have been able to support the wider community through provision and support for local schools with assemblies, lessons, and workshops and year 6 transition preparation. In addition to this we have worked with the Bransgore rotary at the Bransgore Fun day, provided activities for the Community. 6) We have been able to continue support for organisations outside the church through financial assistance and prayer. 7) We have also re-established a group for women and another for men to gather 3 times a year around activities to form friendships and grow in faith. 8) One of the big achievements of this year has been the establishment of a pastoral team, who have been trained and equipped to offering physical,
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		<p>emotional, and spiritual support for those who are part of the organisation and wider community, this team has now grown to 18 volunteers.</p> <p>9) This year saw the re-establishment of our game's café too, offering spaces for all ages to come together, preventing loneliness and offering intergenerational provision through board games.</p> <p>10) Another big achievement this year has been through joining Croner HR, we have updated all our policies for staff employment and Health & Safety to current legalisation.</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	<p>Our Objectives for this year were to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop and implement a pastoral care policy, team and training, to provide holistic support for the needs within the church and wider community. 2. Do an audit on the success of Community Outreach provisions and join up provisions through clear strategy. 3. Develop a strategy and implement for Ignite family events that run from one to another, providing support for families in the community/wider community. 4. Run monthly 'RELATIONSHIP' events to help deepen relationships within the church community (including shared lunches) 5. Grow our gathered prayer gathering with a regular rhythm every 2nd Sunday. 6. Complete an audit and implement Policies and procedures in with current legislation through the support of Croner HR. 7. Increase Schools work provision and feed into the Ignite events and Summer Club. 8. Do an audit on the success of Community Outreach provisions and join up provisions through clear strategy. 9. Re-establish Men's and Women's groups with a clear strategy that includes the 3-tiered focus (Relational, Invitational, Intentional).
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		<p>10. Review all ministries inline with our vision statement and make reasonable adjustments where necessary and explore how ministries and groups join up in line with our wider vision.</p> <p>These have all be successful with significant growth and beneficiaries accessing the services.</p>
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	We do not fundraise but rely entirely on the generosity of the members of the church.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The charity was in a good financial position at the end of the relevant period (being 31 July 2024). Our net assets (ignoring the value of our property interest) stood at £104,413.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We reviewed our reserves policy and considered that our current policy of holding a minimum of £30,000 was sufficient to meet any unforeseen needs of the church.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£30,000
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	No Concerns

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	Over 95% of our funds come from the giving of church members and any gift aid that comes because of this.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	We don't hold any investments other than cash at bank which is deposited with CAF Bank Limited.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	Our principal risk is that members of the church are unable to gift money to the church owing to their own financial circumstances, or that they move away. In past when this has happened, they been replaced by new people joining us.
Other		N/A

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution of a charitable incorporated organisation (referred to below as 'our Constitution').
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	As a 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	<p>Trustees are selected by the current trustees in consultation with the wider church. We consider those who we feel fulfil the criteria of being godly men and women according to the biblical standard and then suggest these to the church. If there are no, or satisfactory, objections they are appointed as trustees.</p> <p>There is no length of tenure, but trustees consider their roles each year and step down when it is collectively felt the right time.</p> <p>Constitutionally the appointment of new trustees is governed by Paragraph 11 of our Constitution.</p>

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 organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	<p>The charity is incorporated as a CIO and governed organisationally by our constitution.</p> <p>The charity is run as an independent church but we have been considering joining a wider network in the future.</p>
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Bransgore Community Church
Other name the charity uses	BCC
Registered charity number	1200372

Charity's principal address	Shackleton Square Bransgore Christchurch Dorset BH23 8AJ

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	Andi Norton	Church Pastor		
2	Graham Jeffries	Treasurer		
3	Edward Russell			
4	Katherine Harris		01.08.23 – 31.12.23	
5	Fiona Darbyshire			
6	Lynn Coombs		12.10.23 - present	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name	N/A	

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

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

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)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

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Other optional information

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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)		
Full name(s)	Andrew Neil Norton	Graham David Jeffries
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	
Date	12/05/2025	

BRANSGORE COMMUNITY CHURCH

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 1200372

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY 2024

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY 2024

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

This report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31st July 2024, which are set out on the pages 4 to 8, is in respect of an examination carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustess and Examiner

As a member of the Management Committee you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts under S145 of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act. That explanation includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Charity and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations for you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with the examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (i) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Act; and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act have not been met, or
- (ii) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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16th October 2024

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY 2024

	<i>Notes</i>	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>General</u>	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u>	<u>2024</u> <u>£</u>	<u>2023</u> <u>£</u>
Receipts					
Charitable receipts		165,540	16,416	181,956	119,724
Tax refunds under Gift Aid		25,484	2,157	27,641	12,254
		191,024	18,573	209,597	131,978
<u>Other receipts</u>					
Interest received		202	0	202	177
Transferred from Unincorporated BCC Charity		0	0	0	51,000
Total Receipts		191,226	18,573	209,799	183,155
Payments					
Charitable payments of the church's objectives					
Direct costs	2	188,195	13,751	201,946	86,596
Grants payable		0	0	0	0
Total Resources Expended		188,195	13,751	201,946	86,596
Before transfers					
		3,031	4,822	7,853	96,559
Transferred during year		2,190	-2,190		
Net Movement in Funds		5,221	2,632	7,853	96,559
Balances B/Fwd					
		87,160	9,400	96,560	0
Balances C/Fwd		92,381	12,032	104,413	96,559

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY 2024

Bank and Cash Balances

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Held at bank - Current Account	104,382	96,528
Project Rusova Accounts	0	0
Cash Float	31	31
	<u>104,413</u>	<u>96,559</u>
Total Assets	<u>104,413</u>	<u>96,559</u>

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY 2024**

1. Accounting Policies

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis with a statement of assets and liabilities.

	£	£	£	£
	<u>General</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
2. Direct costs				
Property costs (note 4)	37,231		37,231	7,542
Discipleship and Training (note 5)	2,316		2,316	473
Worship (note 6)	3,481		3,481	1,398
Youth and Children (note 7)	3,618		3,618	1,328
Pastoral costs	330	1,988	2,318	1,156
Evangelism and community (note 8)	599		599	224
Employment costs (note 9)	107,971		107,971	55,633
Office costs (note 10)	3,402		3,402	1,310
Other costs (note 11)	13,455		13,455	7,268
	<u>172,403</u>	<u>1,988</u>	<u>174,391</u>	<u>76,332</u>
Missions Paid				
Individuals				
Alan Clarke	50		50	
David & Georgina Gray	300		300	
Gail Dixon	1,300		1,300	600
Roeland Luitwieler	300		300	
Beth Cohu		100	100	
YMAM - Emily Goy	200		200	
Community Gift				200
Institutions				
Acts4Sharing	700		700	240
Christchurch Foodbank	940		940	240
Community Money Advice	600		600	240
Counselling Together	580		580	180
PACE	700		700	240
New Hope for Children	600	125	725	425
Open Doors	700		700	960
PCF, including Ron and Joanna Domingo	5,192	4,957	10,149	3,366
Project Rusova	2,140	2,170	4,310	2,560
Salvation Army - BH1 Project	600		600	240
Water Lily Project	700		700	240
Inet Trust Ltd	100		100	
Wycliffe UK Ltd	90		90	
Tear Fund		799	799	
Ukraine Project		3,612	3,612	
Compassion				533
	<u>15,792</u>	<u>11,763</u>	<u>27,555</u>	<u>10,264</u>
Total Direct Costs	<u>188,195</u>	<u>13,751</u>	<u>201,946</u>	<u>86,596</u>

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY 2024

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
3. Employees		
The charity has six employees, to whom the employment costs refer.		
4. Property costs	£	£
Water, Gas and Electric	7,805	2,135
Building Repairs	20,488	678
Cleaning	6,492	3,259
Insurance	2,446	1,470
	<hr/> 37,231	<hr/> 7,542
5. Discipleship and Training	£	£
Discipleship material	239	149
Conferences and training	1,748	324
Family Ministry	329	0
	<hr/> 2,316	<hr/> 473
6. Worship	£	£
Music, PA and AV	2,734	1,075
Flowers, Banners etc.	154	70
Outside speakers	0	125
Other Worship Service exp	593	128
	<hr/> 3,481	<hr/> 1,398
7. Youth and Children	£	£
Child protection	0	129
Children	1,386	167
Youth	2,232	1,032
	<hr/> 3,618	<hr/> 1,328
8. Evangelism and community	£	£
Christianity Explored	395	0
Other	204	224
	<hr/> 599	<hr/> 224
9. Employment costs	£	£
Salaries	89,409	48,923
Expenses	6,586	975
Ministers housing costs	11,976	5,735
	<hr/> 107,971	<hr/> 55,633

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY 2024

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
10. Office Costs		
General administration	1,643	552
Telephone	520	482
Accountancy	1,239	276
	<u>3,402</u>	<u>1,310</u>

	£	£
11. Other costs		
Equipment repairs	5,995	232
Computers and IT equipment	832	1,306
Licences and subscriptions	4,359	1,581
Miscellaneous	858	3,794
Catering	1,278	319
Bank charges	133	36
	<u>13,455</u>	<u>7,268</u>

12. Movement of Restricted Funds

	Balance at 01/08/2023	Transfers	Receipts	Payments	Balance at 31/07/2024	Balance at 31/07/2023
	£		£	£	£	£
Philippines	654	0	4,152	4,957	-151	654
Tear Fund	18	0	781	799	0	17
Gift for Youth Ministry	1,645	-2,125	480	0	0	1,645
New Hope for Children	125	0	0	125	0	125
Project Rusova Fund	6,248	0	1,560	2,170	5,638	6,248
BCC Pastoral Fund	610	0	0	610	0	610
Donation for Beth's Kenya Trip	100	0	0	100	0	100
Cohu	0	0	1,187	1,187	0	0
YWAM-Emily Goy	0	0	2,920	0	2,920	0
Leaving gift for Kathy Harris	0	0	3,625	0	3,625	0
Pastoral gift for Maria Simeonidis	0	0	190	190	0	0
Ukraine	0	-65	3,678	3,613	0	0
	<u>9,400</u>	<u>-2,190</u>	<u>18,573</u>	<u>13,751</u>	<u>12,032</u>	<u>9,399</u>