

# Rodbourne Baptist Church



## Trustees Annual Report and Financial Statements Year Ended-31 December 2025

RCBC is a Registered Charity No 1200814

**Trustees Annual Report**  
**For the period**  
**1 January 2025 to 31 December 2025**

**Section A**

**Reference and administration details**

Charity Name **Rodbourne Baptist Church**  
**(locally known as Rodbourne Cheney Baptist Church)**

Charity's principal address **Cheney Manor Road, Swindon, SN2 2PE**

Charity's postal address **c/o 15 Frome Road, Swindon SN25 3PQ**

Charity Number **1200814**

Names of the charity trustees (henceforth referred to as 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)
Mr James Reeves	Minister		Church Members
Mr John Bosu	Elder		Church Members
Mr Philip Edgell	Elder		Church Members
Mrs Janet Clark	Deacon/Treasurer		Church Members
Mr Eric Clark	Deacon/Secretary		Church Members
Mrs Harriett Bosu	Deacon/Pastoral		Church Members
Mr Edmund Everest	Deacon/Building Maintenance		Church Members
Mrs Sarah Purnell	Deacon/Safeguarding		Church Members

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

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
West of England Baptist Trust Company (East) Ltd., Charity No 1091251	

Names and addresses of advisers (optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Independent Examiner	Mr Hilton Holding (BCom)	60 Studland Park, Westbury, Wiltshire BA13 3HN
Bankers	Lloyds Bank plc	82 Regent Street, Brunel Centre, Swindon, Wiltshire SN1 1TZ
Solicitors	Wood, Awdry & Ford	3 St Mary Street, Chippenham, Wiltshire, SN15 3JL

## Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document  
(e.g. trust deed, constitution)

The Constitution (Approved Governing Document) is the governing document and this is reviewed and updated when necessary. Last updated in May 2021 at a special church members' meeting to allow for Electronic Meetings. The amendments were passed unanimously.

How the charity is constituted  
(e.g. trust, association, company)

The charity is constituted as a Baptist Church

Trustee selection methods  
(e.g. appointed by, elected by)

Nominated and elected by church members at church meetings

Additional governance issues  
(optional information)

The Church employs James Reeves as our Minister. The Minister Elders and Deacons together with church members and regular attendees form the body of the church.

Elders are nominated by the pastor/elders and elected by church members. They must be over the age of 21 and have been in church membership for at least two years. They serve on the Trustee Body for a period ideally not exceeding 3 years after which time they may stand for re-election.

Deacons are nominated and elected by church members. They must be over the age of 16 and have been in church membership for at least one year. They serve on the Trustee Body for a period not exceeding 3 years, after which time they may stand for re-election.

The Deacons and Elders attend Training Days held by the Baptist Union and the West of England Baptist Association (Webnet) when appropriate.

The church is a member of the West of England Baptist Trust Company (East) Ltd and a member of the Baptist Union of Great Britain, both of whom are registered charities. The church does not receive grant funding from the West of England Baptist Trust Company but can apply for and may receive a grant from The Home Mission Section of the Baptist Union.

The Trustees have examined the financial risks and the Health and Safety risks, and the Safeguarding of Children, Young People and Adults at Risk and systems have been put in place to enable regular reports to be given to trustees and members at the bi-monthly and Annual General meetings, so that necessary steps can be taken to lessen these risks. (See page 11). Safeguarding Training is also given to all those working with Children Young People and Adults at Risk.

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the charity's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. The Trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that financial statements comply with the Charities Act (2011). They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and must take reasonable steps to ensure the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Church became a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) and was granted a charity number in October 2022 (1200814) however we were not fully affiliated until the end of March 2023.

Summary of the objects of the Charity set out in its governing

The object of the church is to fulfil the great commission (Matthew 28 v 18 – 20 & Acts 2 v 42 – 47)

Document Summary  
Of the main activities  
in relation to these objects

The main activity of the church is to promote the Christian Gospel to the local community

Additional details of objectives and activities  
(optional information)

All the activities are run by volunteers, who attend or who are connected with the church. Also working together with churches in the area we help to meet the needs of the local community through friendships and support.

A typical week's activities at the church during 2025 were as follows:  
**Sundays** – Morning Services held in person and live streamed from the church on You Tube and Facebook. Evening Services are mainly contemplative for people to attend in person. A Youth Service is held on the first Sunday of the month in the afternoon.  
Church Members Meetings held bi-monthly in person at the church.  
**Tuesdays**– Prayer Meeting (on Zoom)  
**Wednesday** –The church is set up for the sale on Thursdays  
**Thursdays** – Thursday Connect (am), Little Bookworms (pm) at the church (See reports Pages 5 and 6)  
Prayer Meeting (on Zoom)  
Trustees Meetings held monthly.  
All Leaders Meetings held bi monthly  
**Fridays** – Music Practice for the Sunday service  
  
Home Groups also meet Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays either on Zoom or in person.

## Section D

## Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The Church has continued with a membership of 43, comprising mainly of folk from the local area with approximately 40 - 50 people attending the morning service, including children and young people. In order to maintain contact with everyone at the church we have a list of 5 different fellowship groups based on all those who are connected with the church and within those 5 groups are Home groups (a smaller number of people) who meet regularly either in person or on Zoom.

## MINISTER'S REPORT 2025/26

It is with great joy that I present the Minister's Report for the year 2025/26. This has been a year of growth, renewal, and deepening maturity for our church family at RCBC.

### **Prayer Ministry**

As promised last year, we have established a dedicated Prayer Ministry Team under the capable leadership of Mary Adewusi. The team has made a strong start, benefiting from training sessions with Stephen & Christine Brookes and further equipping at the Harnhill Healing Centre. Their commitment is already bearing fruit in both the life of the church and our wider community.

### **Pastoral Care and Fellowship Group Leaders**

The Pastoral Care Team has been relaunched, and our Fellowship Groups have been revised and revitalised to work alongside the Pastoral Care Team. Hattie leads both areas with passion and diligence, and Pastoral Care Training has been arranged with Tim Welch from Bristol Baptist College. Together, these initiatives are strengthening the care, support, and relational life of our congregation.

### **Listening Service at Nova**

After a pause in 2025, the Listening Service in Nova was relaunched early in 2026. It has returned stronger than ever, supported by the new headmaster, and is making a meaningful impact in the lives of students.

### **Youth Ministry**

We have also launched the Swindon Youth Gathering, a monthly youth church at RCBC every first Sunday from 4-6pm. This initiative, in partnership with Swindon Youth For Christ, brings together Christian youth from across the town for worship, fellowship, and leadership development. Through the Youth Gathering, we identify and equip potential young leaders, while involving our own youth in planning and leading, helping them grow in faith and responsibility.

Our **YAC Shack** project continues to develop. We are raising funds to move from the temporary portacabin into a permanent structure. To date, we have raised £2,000 toward the £30,000 target. While applying for grants has been a challenge due to time constraints, we have submitted a few applications and await responses.

### **Interns and Ministers**

Brandon completed his internship this year after securing a new role as a teaching assistant. We have now welcomed Pastor Patrick Quianoo as our new ministerial intern as he discerns his calling in

Swindon. Albert remains as an intern, continuing to support the youth ministry at the YAC Shack, the Youth Gathering, and within RCBC.

We are also delighted to welcome back Pastor Paul, who has returned to RCBC as a retired minister, alongside his wife Katy. Their presence has already been a blessing, and they have settled in well. God seems to be sending pastors to us for a reason. I have received a prophetic word that God will use me to raise leaders and open doors for them. Currently, we have **four pastors actively involved in the life of our church**, which is a remarkable encouragement for all of us.

### **Church Growth and Wider Engagement**

It has been inspiring to witness the church grow in both numbers and spiritual maturity through 2025. There is a greater sense of unity and maturity among us as a congregation. My prayer and vision for 2026 is that RCBC will see 50 salvations and baptisms, a goal achievable only through your prayers and active participation in the Lord's work.

On a wider scale, I have been appointed a trustee for Swindon Youth For Christ and am excited for the new season SYFC has entered (more to come on this later in 2026). I am also the coordinator for the Swindon Churches of WEBNET and am encouraged by how relationships are growing across our Baptist network and with Vine Church Swindon. These wider connections are strengthening our ability to serve the Kingdom locally and beyond.

### **Looking Ahead**

2026 promises to be a year of growth, renewal, and revival. We trust that God is preparing us for the beginnings of a wider revival across the UK, and I encourage everyone to continue committing their gifts, time, and hearts to His service. May we continue to serve faithfully and witness God's hand at work in our midst.

**Rev James D Reeves**  
RCBC

## **OUTREACH AND COMMUNITY WORK IN THE CHURCH**

Thursday Connect Sale report for 2025.

We are getting a lot more people coming in to us just to ask for prayer support. We are building some really good relationships where we are contacted when people have problems because they know that they will be supported. It is great that one person, who has been coming for many years, is now going to be baptised and is inviting many to come and witness it!

I have counted 22 people sipping drinks at one time. It's not unusual for the kitchen to make 80 hot drinks in a morning. Visitors often come bearing gifts of cakes and biscuits to share.

Alongside the joys we of course have some challenging times for which we are very grateful for prayer support.

Each month we support three children through Compassion UK and once a year we send a gift to their families! All money that is left over is sent to different charities chosen by the workers.

In 2025 we have supported:- Prospect Hospice, Julia House Children's Hospice, Salvation Army, Fire fighters, STEPS, Wiltshire Air Ambulance, SYFC. Torch Trust. Asthma and Lung UK, Street Child and Alzheimer's research.

Altogether this year we have raised £10,590.57

From this amount £600 has been given to the church to help with refreshments, £1,152 has gone to Compassion UK and £8,838.57 has gone to the separate charities.

We are a fantastic team, of probably around 15 people, who work really well together. If anything needs doing someone will step in and do it without being asked.

Since I was hospitalised a year ago Hilary and Paul Entwistle have very kindly taken over doing all of the physical work, which is not limited to Thursdays. They take unwanted items to charity shops, sell clothes to "Cash for clothes", scan books and sell them and keep the store room as tidy as possible. Very little is taken to the tip. They seem to be able to find homes for most things. This all takes time and I am very grateful to them.

**Ann Kemp**

### **Bookworms Report – Shirley Adams**

Bookworms runs every Thursday from 12-2.30 normally term time only we try and meet up a few times in the summer break at a local park and enjoy a picnic together.

We have parents and grandparents who bring their children along to play and make friends.  
At one o'clock we stop to enjoy our lunch that we bring with us

Over the last year our numbers have increased to an average of 10 children per week these are mostly 1-2 year olds.

After lunch we enjoy a craft event followed by a story and action. Songs

All are welcome to bring a lunch and meet our families

Extra help is always welcome see Shirley for more information

## **OTHER ACTIVITIES**

The church hall is available to hire for private parties etc.,  
Please contact Dave Ayliffe via the church to hire the hall.



## **House Group Reports**

RCBC is currently operating four House groups and they either meet via Zoom or in person. Information is printed in the church monthly bulletin.



## **Prayer**

As a church we have continued with weekly prayer meetings via Zoom and these have been attended by an average of 8 people. They are held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. If there is a special requirement for prayer then the time can be extended. There is also a morning prayer meeting held on a Tuesday morning in a church members home. The prayer life of the church has certainly been of benefit to all concerned. A few people now meet for a short time before the morning service and the Sunday evening services are also a time for prayer and reflection. We also have a church prayer chain headed up by Nigel Adams where any items for prayer can be emailed out to those on the prayer chain. These prayers must always have the agreement of the person who is being prayed for in order to maintain the strictest confidence or anonymity.

## **RCBC Bible School report 2025 - Lata Egonu - Youth and Children's Co-ordinator**

In 2025/26 the Bible School has undergone several positive changes, while continuing to deliver two monthly sessions for all three classes.

On 11 January 2026, we met to discuss and agree on the future direction of Sunday School. The meeting produced several helpful suggestions, which I have since shared with the pastor.

## **Ages 3–5**



Shirley continues to lead this class, supported by three new team members—Mary, Kathryn, and Katie—joining in February 2026. Their involvement has significantly strengthened the team, allowing us to move from twice-monthly sessions to weekly classes. This has been a tremendous blessing. The team has bonded well and works effectively together.

We have also seen encouraging growth in attendance, increasing from one regular child last year to four regulars, along with occasional visitors. This marks a significant improvement from where we were previously.

### **Ages 5–11**

Sarah and Sue serve faithfully as the teacher and teaching assistant for this class. Attendance has remained steady compared to last year, with visitors joining from time to time. I had the opportunity to cover one Sunday and witnessed firsthand how much the children enjoy their lessons while receiving biblical teaching. The children are curious, confident, and actively engaged—asking and answering questions with enthusiasm.

### **Ages 11–17**

The teaching team for this class includes Carl, Albert, and the newest member, Patrick, with Denise and Jean supporting as teaching assistants. Peter stepped down at the end of March 2025, and we would like to extend our sincere thanks for his dedicated service to this age group.

The youth group continues to grow, with more young people attending each fortnight. Engagement has deepened, and many are opening up more during the sessions. Some even express disappointment when a class is cancelled—an encouraging sign of the value they place on the time spent together.

## **Carl Egonu Youth report 2025**

The Youth Gathering is held on the first Sunday of the month and started in 2025. The number of youths attending at first was more than expected with us sometimes having 30+ young adults. The amount attending now has reduced but settled to around 15 – 20. During the services we have an ice breaker game followed by worship, prayer, a sermon, worship, then we eat pizza and socialize before the youth return home.

The Youth Gathering has noticeably been a great time for the youth to participate and grow in their confidence and abilities. Key stand outs are Bess who has been doing the ice breakers for a few months now. She enjoys running them and has excelled in the role. Eunice enjoys leading worship during the Youth Gathering,

even leading alone on occasion. Emma recently gave a sermon where she gave a testimony and teaching based on the book of Daniel.

We plan to open participation during the Youth Gathering to external young adults that regularly attend, hopefully encouraging them to take control of the Youth Gathering and make it their own.

Sunday school for the youth is still on going. At the start of last year, it seemed Sunday school for the youth might end because of low numbers but thank God we have a full class regularly now. During sessions the youth engage and ask questions which is another answer to prayer as before they could be very quiet. Uncle Albert and Uncle Patrick are great additions to the team mentoring myself and the youth. Along with teaching the youth during Sunday school and the Youth Gathering.

I am hopeful with the provision The Lord has given us in terms of growth that the youth will continue to grow in RCBC and Lord willing, come to know The Lord Jesus individually on a personal level.

## Accounts



The accounts are independently examined each February and are adopted by the Members at the Church's Annual General Meeting held in March. An Independent Examiner is appointed each year at this meeting. We would like to thank Mr Hilton Holding for the time he has given to examining these accounts. (See his report on Page 15). The church now has a card pay system in place so that people can pay direct on their credit/debit cards into the church bank account and a QR Code is shown during the morning service.

### Brief statement of the Charity's policy on reserves

It is the policy of the church to try and maintain around £10,000 the current Account as an operating amount and a minimum of £20,000 in the Business Reserve Account. The current account is topped up as necessary from the reserve account to maintain a viable amount to enable all bills to be paid. We have managed to exceed both these amounts over the last year. The reserve account is funded mainly by rental of our Church Manse, Gift Aids and Gift Aid Small Donations. Any Grants received are also paid into the Reserve Account. In the reserve account we have several designated amounts e.g. £16,000 for the kitchen refurbishment, £30,000 for Pembroke Gardens interns and future removal of the portacabin when necessary and at least £20,000 should our minister give us 6 months' notice. Designated funds are transferred

over to the current account as and when necessary. We also have a new card payment system in place in the church to enable those who wish to pay by card on a Sunday to do so. The Trustees would like to thank all those who contribute to the church finances either through the bank or in the weekly offering

## Section F

## Other optional information

The church continues to remain a place of worship within the community and maintains strong links with other churches in the surrounding area and throughout Swindon as well as links with our Baptist Family.

The churches in the local area meet up together for an annual service during the week of prayer for Christian Unity which is held in January. This gives an opportunity for people from different churches to see each other and helps maintain our local links.

The church maintains its links with WEBNET (West of England Baptist Association) not only with regards to informing them of our finances, but also through any training days held for trustees of the Baptist churches in the area.

Several people in the church deliver the Good News Newspapers to residents in and around the local area.

## Section G

## Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature

Full Name(s) James Reeves

Eric Clark

Chair

Secretary

Date

Date

## **Risk Management Policies**

**Finance Policy** *Controls to prevent Loss of Funds Implemented by the church in May 1994.*  
*Updated 26<sup>th</sup> March 2023*

**This Policy has been reviewed in the light of moving from an unincorporated organisation to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) . The policy remains the same with one exception to allow for online banking and the use of a church debit card. As of 26<sup>th</sup> March 2023 this policy will continue to be enforced**

The opening and closing of any bank accounts must be witnessed by two authorised signatories together with the pastor's signature. In the absence of a pastor the secretary will sign in their place. Two authorised signatures must be on all cheques. Signatories must be made fully aware what they are paying for prior to purchase and a receipt/bill must be produced at the time of signing a cheque.

If any signatory or anyone in their family is to benefit from a cheque issued by the church they cannot be a signatory to that particular cheque.

All offerings, tithes, gift aids, gifts and any monies given to the church will be counted and recorded in the book provided for that purpose on a Sunday. This action will be carried out by at least two people one of whom should be a trustee. No money will leave the main sanctuary to be counted until the two persons counting the said money have collected the offering bags. They will sign the book when they are satisfied that all the money is accounted for.

The book will then become part of the annual Independent examination of the accounts by the designated accountant. The accounts are independently examined by a qualified accountant and are adopted by the church members at the Annual General Meeting.

Two persons (one of whom must be a managing trustee) are to complete the computerized accounts monthly and ensure that bank balances are reconciled. A yearly budget is prepared by the management trustees in September for approval by church members in November.

**To adopt modern banking practices, RCBC will follow online banking processes in accordance with good practice supported by an agreed internal process in line with the requirements of this policy. Where a debit card is used the expenditure will be agreed by two trustees.**

## **Safeguarding Policy**

The church adheres to the current Baptist Unions Safeguarding Policy to protect children, young people and adults at risk. These Baptist Union Publications give guidelines on protection for the local church and its youth leaders. All those with a responsibility for looking after children, young persons or adults at risk in the church have seen a copy of the New Safeguarding Policy and systems are in place so that any child, young person or adult at risk will be protected should the need arise. All those involved in children's and young persons' work and who work with adults at risk attended Safeguarding training courses during 2022 to Grade 2 level. Management trustees and the children's co-ordinator had training to Grade 3.

A risk register is in the process of being prepared and reviewed in relation to Health and Safety, Finance, and Safeguarding Policies.

## **Health and Safety Policy**

Smoking is not allowed on the premises, nor is the consumption of alcohol. The above policies are reviewed annually at the Annual General Meeting of the Church in March. A book is available in the church for any repairs to the fabric of the church to be noted down. The Trustees check this book on a regular basis and action any repairs necessary.

Section A		Receipts and payments				
A1 Receipts to nearest £		Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds Jan - Dec	Total funds	Last year 2024
General Income less Gift Day 1,2		68,347				61,399
Gift Day (Not Gift Aided) 3				150		100
Manse Rental 4		12,387				12,020
Hospitality/refreshments 5		759				595
Hire of Halls 6		136				50
Pembroke Gen Designated 7			600			153
Pembroke/Interns 8				345		17,218
General Outreach 9		30				
Nova Hreed Outreach 10				4,500		
Pembroke New Build 11				2,750		
Youth Work Donations 12		0				0
Small Equip/Prop Donations 13		0				0
Thursday Connect 14				10,010		9,270
Sub total		81,659	600	17,755	100,015	100,805
A2 Asset and investment sales etc						
Total Receipts		81,659	945	17,410	100,014	100,805
A3 Payments to nearest £						
Pastor's Salary/Expenses * 1,2		45,679			45,679	43,779
Church Expenses 3		6,674			6,674	5,832
General Expenses 4		12,699			12,699	6,520
Property church 5		7,825			7,825	4,244
Youth/Mission 6		9,583			9,583	9,526
27 Alder Close Expenses 7		681			681	665
Pembroke/Gen Designated 8			2,299		2,299	
Pembroke/Interns				8,472	8,472	3,240

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General Outreach	204			204	
10					
Nova Hreod Outreach			534	534	0
11					
Hospitality/Welfare	1,618			1,618	2,171
12					
Thursday Connect			10,010	10,010	9,220
13					
Pension Deficit Payments	0			0	10
14					
Sub total	84,963	2,299	19,016	106,278	85,207
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases</b>					
Total payments	84,963	2,299	19,016	106,278	85,207
Net of receipts (payments)	-3,304	-1,354	-1,606	-6,264	15,598
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>					
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>				97,866	82,268
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>				91,602	97,866

**For a more detailed explanation of the accounts see over the page**

**A. General Receipts incl: Jan 01 2024 - 31 Dec 2025**

1. Gift Aids	£	32,934.54
Tax Refunds,	£	10,429.91
Sum up Donations	£	1,587.34
2. Loose Plate, Non Gift Aid		
Love Gifts, Other Income, Bank Int	£	23,395.51
3. Gift Day (Not Gift aided) Kitchen	£	150.00
4. Manse Rental	£	12,387.00
5. Hospitality/Refreshment	£	758.61
6. Hire of Halls	£	136.00
7. Pembroke General Designated	£	600.00
8. Pembroke/Interns Restricted	£	345.00
9. General Outreach	£	30.00
10. Nova Hreod Outreach	£	4,500.00
11. Pembroke New Build	£	2,750.00
12. Youth Work Donations	£	0.00
13. Small equipment /Prop Donations	£	0.00
14. Thursday Connect Donations	£	10,010.31

**Total Receipts for the whole year = £100,014.22**

**B. Payments incl: Jan 01 2024 - 31 Dec 2024**

1. Pastor's Salary	£	39,474.96
2. Pastor's Expenses	£	6,204.35
(Pension, NI PAYE etc)		
3. Church Exp (Elec/Gas/Water/Ins)	£	6,674.47
4. General Expenses includes		
Subscriptions/Copyright	£	2,191.78
Office Expenses	£	517.02

Small Equipment	£	3,623.36
Training Courses	£	1,785.55
Love Gifts	£	116.46
Legal Expenses	£	2,950.00
Other Expenses includes		
(Flowers, Communion,, Speakers etc.)	£	691.41
Books/Literature	£	494.70
Live Streaming Equip	£	220.00
Sum Up	£	108.00
5. Property – Church	£	7,825.16
6. Missionary Giving	£	9,104.00
6. Youth Work	£	479.12
7. 27 Alder Close	£	680.87
8. Pembroke Gen Designated	£	2,298.88
9. Pembroke/Interns	£	8,472.39
10. General Outreach	£	204.07
11 Nova Hreod Outreach	£	534.37
12. Hospitality/Welfare	£	1,617.91
13. Thursday Connect	£	10,009.81

**Total Payments Jan to Dec £ 106,278.64**

**Receipts – Payments = (£6,264.42)**

<b>Section B</b>	<b>Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period</b>
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**B1 Cash Funds**

Details	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	
Current a/c	10,647		10,647
Reserve a/c	63,199	17,755	80,954
<b>Total Cash Funds</b>	<b>73,846</b>	<b>17,755</b>	<b>91,601</b>

Agree balances with receipts and payments accounts

**B2 Other Monetary Assets**

Details	Unrestricted Funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £

**B3 Investment Assets**

Details	Funds to which asset belongs	Cost (Optional)	Current value (optional)

**B4 Assets Retained for the Charity's own use**

Details	
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Manse – 27 Alder Close Insured Value – January 2025	£ 348,401
Church – Cheney Manor Road Insured Value – January 2025	£ 1,455,849

The amount in the restricted funds in the Reserve account are made up of £14,755 for the new church kitchen and £3000 for the new building at Pembroke Gardens. These funds have been raised by the church members for these projects. The remainder of the money in the reserve account is used as monies to top up the main account in order to pay the bills and £20,000 to pay 6<sup>th</sup> month wages to the minister should he choose to move on from the church and £2000 to help move the YAC shack temporary building once the new building has been completed by the Council.

Signature - \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name James Reeves

Signature - \_\_\_\_\_ Philip Edgell

Signed by one or two Trustees  
On behalf of all Trustees

Date of Approval 12<sup>th</sup> March 2026

“The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Accounting Practices: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP2005) issued in March 2005, UK Accounting Standards and the Charities Act 2011”

The charity is an excepted charity under Section 30 (2)(b) of Charities Act 2011 and the power not to produce an Annual Report is now in Section 168(2) of the Charities Act 2011 .

#### **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT**

#### **TO THE MANAGING TRUSTEES AND MEMBERS OF**

#### **RODBOURNE CHENEY BAPTIST CHURCH – CHARITY NO. 1200814**

On the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2025.

#### **Respective responsibilities of managing trustees and independent examiner**

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. You consider that the audit requirement of section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the Act, 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. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning 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 my examination, no matter has come to my attention 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 to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act have not been met.

In my opinion no other matter needs attention to be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H A Holding', with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

H A Holding

60 Studland Park

Westbury

Wiltshire

**BA13 3HN**

Dated: 12 March 2026