



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 01	Month January	Year 2024		Day 31	Month December	Year 2024

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	The Beacon Church Hinckley
Other names charity is known by	n/a
Registered charity number (if any)	1201883
Charity's principal address	St Frances Community Centre, Tudor Road Hinckley Postcode LE10 0EQ

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	Kim Ford (Rev)..	Chair .		
2	Charlotte Carter		Until 30/04/2025	
3	Daniel Johnson			
4	Tim Render	.		
5	Rachel Hills	Treasurer		
6	Judith Ellis		From 28/05/2025	

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

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
None	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
None		

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

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed as founding trustees . with provision for future elections by members

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

The Beacon Church was planted as a Christian community by St Johns Church, and until incorporation, was the responsibility of the PCC.

The Beacon has a memorandum of understanding with the PCC of St Mary's, Hinckley (who own the St Frances Community Centre), and made a freewill gift of £3,000 to them in 2023, as thanks for use of the Centre.

The Trustees have a range of policies and procedures in place to ensure proper governance and management of the charity.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

1. advancement of the Christian faith
2. prevention and relief of poverty by providing services to individuals in need.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

1. A worship service each Sunday which is open to everyone in the community. A meal is provided without charge for those attending. Sunday attendance is between 20 and 25 adults, and 12 to 15 children.
2. An after-school club each Thursday open to all children of primary age in the local area, for which no charge is made. Average attendance is 25.
3. Facilitated study groups to develop and enhance the faith of individuals.
4. Pastoral care for church members and their families (with appropriate safeguarding arrangements including enhanced DBS checks)

Trustees have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit, and have followed it in developing and providing these activities.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

The Beacon is not a grant-making charity.

The Trustees do not hold investment funds, only a deposit (as well as a current) bank account.

Apart from a part-time administrator, and three part-time paid Sunday kitchen staff, all the activities are led by or supported by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Sustaining and growing a core church congregation of around 40 people, and bringing people to faith (two child dedications in 2024)

Continuing popularity of the after-school club serving the Tudor Road estate, an area of significant deprivation in the town.

Further developing the partnership with St Johns Church, reinforcing in various ways the advancement of the Christian faith e.g. join worshipping, joint membership of small groups,

Hosting and running special events (e.g. Light Party on October 31st, a faith event on what is popularly known as Halloween; Make Lunch provision of meals to families with children on free school meals during holiday periods run jointly with St Johns; Maundy Thursday fun and hot dogs event)

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

There is currently no formal policy, but it is the intention of the Trustees to maintain free reserves at least equal to three months running costs.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The charity is principally funded by giving from members and grants from Leicester Diocese/ Church Commissioners.
Spending on advancing the Christian faith includes the administrative support for running the whole charity, equipment to facilitate worship e.g. keyboard, and play / craft material to support the after school club activities and teaching.
Costs of meals provided are an integral part of the mission to meet needs in our community and further grants are being sought to cover the cost of food.

Section F

Other optional information

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>Tim Render</i>	<i>Kim Ford</i>
Full name(s)	Timothy Ennis Render	Kimberley Ford (Rev)
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	Chair
Date	30 th October 2025	

Beacon Church 2024

A. Receipts and payments

	£
<u>Receipts</u>	
Giving	12,577
Tax reclaimed	275
Diocesan Grants	9,568
Other	2,444
Sub total	24,864

Asset and investment sales

None	-
Sub total	-

Total receipts **24,864**

	£
<u>Payments</u>	
Parish Contribution	-
Staffing costs	12,121
Building costs	3,456
Administration	4,979
Mission spending	-
Resourcing Church	-
Services and worship	322
Ministry	2,719
Other	2,444
Sub total	26,041

Asset and investment purchases

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Sub total	-

Total payments **26,041**

Net receipts / (payments) **- 1,177**

Transfers between funds -

Cash funds at last year end 15,028

Cash funds at this year end **13,851**

B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of 2024

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Cash funds

Barclays Bank	1,102
CAF bank	12,634

Other monetary assets

Gift aid reclaim o/s	865
Diocesan grant due	6,128
Due from St Johns	2,409
Prepayments	2,141

Sub total	25,279
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Investment assets

None	-
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Assets retained for own use

None	-
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Liabilities

Trade creditors	-
Payments due to staff	-
Committed donation	-
Due to St Johns	10,108

Sub total	10,108
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