

**POLLARDS HILL BAPTIST CHURCH CIO**

**Wide Way, Mitcham, CR4 1BN**

**Reports of the Managing Trustees  
for the year ended 31 March 2024**

# **POLLARDS HILL BAPTIST CHURCH CIO**

## **Report of the Managing Trustees for the year ended 31 March 2024**

The managing trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024.

### **Constitution**

PHBC constitution adopted on 29<sup>th</sup> June 2014 was amended on 26<sup>th</sup> February 2023.

As the church's annual income has exceeded £100,000, the church applied and is in the final stages of registering as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO).

### **Purpose**

The principal purpose of Pollards Hill Baptist Church CIO is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination. The church may also advance education and carry out other charitable purposes in the United Kingdom and/or other parts of the world.

Pollards Hill Baptist Church CIO is a member of The Baptist Union of Great Britain and the London Baptist Association (London Baptists as of September 2020).

As member of The Baptist Union of Great Britain, the church subscribes to the Union's Declaration of Principle:

- That our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, God manifest in the flesh, is the sole and absolute authority in all matters pertaining to faith and practice, as revealed in the Holy Scriptures, and that each church has liberty, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, to interpret and administer His laws.
- That Christian Baptism is the immersion in water in the name of the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit, of those who have professed repentance towards God and faith in our Lord Jesus Christ who died for our sins according to the Scriptures, was buried and rose again on the third day.
- That it is the duty of each disciple to bear personal witness to the gospel of Jesus Christ, and to take part in the evangelisation of the world.

Pollards Hill Baptist Church CIO is an 'open membership' church, so that persons seeking membership who have not been baptised in the manner described in the Union's Declaration of Principle may at the discretion of the

church members' meeting be accepted for full membership based on their own public profession of faith.

## **POLLARDS HILL BAPTIST CHURCH CIO**

### **Report of the Managing Trustees for the year ended 31 March 2024 (continued)**

#### **Trustees**

The Custodian Trustees are the London Baptist Property Board Limited, Unit C2, 15 Dock Street, London, E1 8JN.

The Deacons of the church are the Managing Trustees who are appointed from among the church.

The Managing Trustees (Ministers and Deacons) holding office during the year and to the date of this report were as follows:

**Rev Deji Ayorinde** – *Lead Minister (Chair of Trustees)*

**Ms Manuella Kouame** – *Associate Minister for Youth and Mission*

**Mrs Ann Bowen James** – *Secretary/Deacon of Administration*

**Mrs Hawa Turay** – *Treasurer*

**Mrs Pauline Barnes** – *Deacon of Pastoral Care*

**Ms Evadney Campbell** – *Deacon of Communication*

**Mr Andy White** – *Deacon of Fabric and Facilities*

**Mrs Bajoy Martin** – *Deacon of Worship*

## **POLLARDS HILL BAPTIST CHURCH CIO**

### **Report of the Managing Trustees for the year ended 31 March 2024 (continued)**

#### **Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities**

Charity law requires the Charity Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of Pollards Hill Baptist Church at the year-end and of its incoming resources and resources expended during that year. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to –

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going-concern basis.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of Pollards Hill Baptist Church CIO and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2005. The managing trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of Pollards Hill Baptist Church and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud or other irregularities.

#### **Bankers**

National Westminster Bank PLC, Croydon High Street (B) Branch, 1 High Street Croydon, Surrey, CR9 1PD.

#### **Reserves policy**

The Managing Trustees accept their responsibility to keep the membership apprised of the church's financial status on a regular basis, recognising that their financial support on a voluntary basis needs to be maintained.

Any liquid funds of the church are all held on accounts with bankers and other financial institutions requiring minimal notice for withdrawals. The church does not invest in securities.

### **Risk policy**

The Managing Trustees are aware of the need to implement a risk management strategy comprising –

- an annual review of risks;
- establishment and review of systems and procedures to mitigate those risks; and
- establishment and review of procedures to minimise the potential impact should any of those risks materialise.

### **Review of the year**

#### ***Minister: Rev Deji Ayorinde***

Every new year comes with its fair share of new hope, new expectation, new resolutions and decisions. Yet, at the same time, we cannot help but look back at where we are coming from. Through our motto verse for 2023 we committed to be ever determined, never deterred and as we keep our eyes always on the Lord, with Him at our right hand, we will not be shaken (Psalm 16:8), and there was a stark manifestation of that verse in the life of the church - body, soul and spirit.

On 14<sup>th</sup> April 2023 we successfully registered as a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO) registration number 1202717. The process of asset transfer has begun, and we are hopeful that it will be completed before April 2024 in order that we can begin trading with that name in the new reporting year. As such, Pollards Hill Baptist Church CIO has remained a shell organisation, and we have continued to trade as Pollards Hill Baptist Church. This means that we have zero financing to declare for this period.

Through the ebb and flow of responding to God's call to the people of Pollards Hill, we have continued to lean on God's grace.

As we journey forward in God's mission for us to our community, let us remain in the continuity of our motto verse for 2024, remaining joyful in hope, patient in affliction and faithful in prayer.

## **Independent Examiner**

As there are no financial transactions to report, accounts have not been prepared, and an independent examiner has not been appointed.

## **Conclusion**

This report has been prepared in cooperation with the Managing Trustees who, on 29.01.2025, approved the same and authorised the Secretary to sign it on their behalf.

**MARGARET ANN BOWEN-JAMES (Mrs)**

Church Secretary



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

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## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 13/04/2023	To	Period end date 31/03/2024
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### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donations	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Gift Aid	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sunday Receipts	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Ministry Costs	0.00	-	-	0.00	0.00
Manse Costs	0.00	-	-	0.00	0.00
Church Premises Costs	0.00	-	-	0.00	0.00
Mission Costs	0.00	-	-	0.00	0.00
Administration Costs	0.00	-	-	0.00	0.00
Other Costs	0.00	-	-	0.00	0.00
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>

## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	Bank (Reliance & Stewardship)	0.00	-	0.00
	Petty Cash	0.00		0.00
	Hope Coffee Club-Petty Cash	-	0.00	0.00
	Tots 'n' Tinies Playgroup- Petty Cash		0.00	0.00
	Cash in Hand for banking	0.00	-	0.00
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	0.00	0.00	0.00
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	Deposit with London Baptist Property Board		-	0.00
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	0.00

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	Sundry Liabilities		0.00	
	Hall Hire deposits held		0.00	
	Permanent Loan from LBA John Bradford Trust		0.00	
	Loan from London Baptist Property Board		0.00	
	<b>Total</b>		0.00	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
<u>Mrs Hawa Turay</u> Mrs Hawa Turay (Jan 29, 2025 13:33 GMT)	Mrs Hawa Turay	29/01/25
<u>Rev. Deji Ayorinde</u> Rev. Deji Ayorinde (Jan 27, 2025 19:15 GMT)	Rev. Deji Ayorinde	27/01/25



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## Receipts and payments accounts

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RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS FOR EXTERNAL CHARITABLE ACTIVIES		Unrestricted 2024	Restricted 2024	2023
<b>Receipts</b>				
	External Causes	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Humanitarian Funds	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<b>Total Receipts</b>	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Payments</b>				
	External Causes	0	0	0.00
	<b>Total Payments</b>	0	0	0.00
<b>Surplus/Excess</b>				
		0	0	0.00
		2024	2024	2023
<b>Excess (Shortfall) of Receipts over Payments in the year</b>		<b>Unreserved</b>	<b>Reserved</b>	
	Funds held for external causes (Donations from Church Funds)	0	0	0.00
<b>Excess (Shortfall) after Transfers</b>		0	0	0.00
<b>Balance brought forward at start of year</b>		0	0	0.00
<b>Balance carried forward at end of year</b>		£0	£0	£0.00

HOPE COFFEE CLUB RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS		2024	2023
Restricted Funds			
<b>Receipts</b>			
Donations/subscriptions received		0	0.00
<b>Payments</b>			
Outlays/Supplies/purchases		0	0.00
<b>Excess (Shortfall) of Receipts over Payments in the year</b>		<u>0</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Transfers (to) from General Fund		0	0.00
Balance brought forward at start of year		<u>0</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Balance carried forward at end of year		<b>£0</b>	<b>£0.00</b>

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### TOTS'n'TINIES PLAYGROUP RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS (Designated Fund)

2024

2023

#### Receipts

Subscriptions received

0

0.00

#### Payments

Outlays

0

0.00

#### Excess of Receipts over Payments in the year

0

0.00

#### Transfer to General Fund

Contribution re Light and Heat

0

0.00

#### Balance brought forward at start of year

0

0.00

#### Balance carried forward at end of year

**£0**

**£0.00**

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### STATEMENT OF

	2024	2024	2023
	Unrestricted to nearest £	Restricted to nearest £	
<b>Assets</b>			
Reliance Bank Business Current Account	0	0.00	0.00
Stewardship Services	0	0.00	0.00
Church Petty Cash	0	0.00	0.00
Hope Coffee Club - Petty Cash		0.00	0.00
Tots'n'Tinies Playgroup - Cash in hand		0.00	0.00
Cash in Hand for banking	0		0.00
<b>Total cash Funds</b>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
<b>Investment Assets</b>			
Deposit with London Property Board			0.00
<b>Total cash Funds</b>			<u>0.00</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>	Funds to which liability related	Amount Due (Optional)	Amount Due (optional)
Hall Hire deposits held			
Sundry Liabilities	0	0.00	0.00
Loan from London Baptist Property Board Limited	0	0.00	0.00
"Permanent" Loan from the LBA John Bradford Trust (see Note 8)	0	0.00	0.00
<b>Total</b>	<u>0</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>

Signed by one or two Trustees on behalf of all the Trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval

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## Receipts and payments accounts

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RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS	Unrestricted Funds to the nearest £	Restricted Funds to nearest £	Endowment Funds to nearest £	Totsal Funds to nearest £	Last year to nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donations		0	0	0.00	0.00
Gift Aid		0	0	0.00	0.00
Sundry Receipts		0	0	0.00	0.00
Interest		0	0	0.00	0.00
Additional Donations		0	0	0.00	0.00
	AR)	0	0	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Receipts</b>		0	0	0.00	0.00
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Ministry Costs		0	0	0.00	0.00
Manse Costs		0	0	0.00	0.00
Church Premises Costs		0	0	0.00	0.00
Mission Costs		0	0	0.00	0.00
Administration Costs		0	0	0.00	0.00
Other Costs		0	0	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Payments</b>		0	0	0.00	0.00
<b>Net of receipts/payments</b>					
<b>A5 Transfer between funds</b>					
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>					
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>					

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## Receipts and payments accounts

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These financial statements, as set out on pages 10 to 15, relating to the year ended 31 March 2024 are as approved by the deacons and have been signed on their behalf.

**Signed:**

**Church Treasurer**

**Date:**

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1.	<b>Basis of financial statements</b> These financial statements have been prepared on the 'receipts and payments' basis in accordance with section 133 of the Charities Act 2011.		
2.	<b>Sundry receipts</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	Use of premises	0	0
	Donations	0	0
	other	0	0
		<b>£0</b>	<b>£0</b>
3.	<b>Ministry costs</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	Minister's employment costs	0	0
	Minister's expenses	0	0
	Associate Minister's employment costs	0	0
	Associate Minister's expenses	0	0
	Pulpit supplies, etc	0	0
	Student in training	0	0
	Baptist Ministers Pension Fund	0	0
		<b>£0</b>	<b>£0</b>
4.	<b>Manse costs</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	Council tax, water and sewerage rates	0	0
	Insurance	0	0
	Light and heat	0	0
	Repairs and maintenance	0	0
	Security & Alarm	0	0
		<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£0.00</b>
5.	<b>Church premises costs</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	Water and sewerage rates	0	0
	Insurance	0	0
	Light and heat	0	0
	Repairs and maintenance	0	0
	Security and alarm system	0	0
	Cleaning and Waste collection charges	0	0
		<b>£0</b>	<b>£0</b>

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6.	<b>Mission costs</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	Pastoral disbursements	0	0
	Worship materials, etc	0	0
	Musicians	0	0
	Sunday School costs	0	0
	Retreat costs	0	0
	TV Licence for church	0	0
	Outreach	0	0
	Support gifts	0	0
	Outings	0	0
	Fun Day	0	0
		<b>£0</b>	<b>£0</b>

7.	<b>Administration costs</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	Administrator's employment costs	0	0
	Subscriptions and donations	0	0
	Postage and stationery	0	0
	Telephone and Internet	0	0
	Office and other equipment	0	0
	Computer and technology costs	0	0
	Bank charges	0	0
	Loan interest payable	0	0
	Independent examiner	0	0
	Legal Cost	0	0
	Sundry expenses	0	0
		<b>£0</b>	<b>£0</b>

### 8. "Permanent" Loan from the LBA John Bradford Trust

This loan, which was originally advanced to the Church in 1955 from the LBA Turtle Trust, is interest free and is repayable only in the event of the closure of the Church, or should the Church cease to be in membership of the London Baptist Association.

In 2015 the LBA Turtle Trust has been merged into the LBA John Bradford Trust with similar aims and objectives.

Early voluntary repayment of the loan by the Church would be possible which, in turn, would enable the London Baptist Association to recirculate the funds to other churches which may be in need of financial assistance.