

Beverley Baptist

Report and Accounts

Period ended 31 December 2024

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Beverley Baptist
LEGAL & ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDENCE	The Armstrong Centre Grovehill Road, Beverley East Riding of Yorkshire HU17 0ED
GOVERNING DOCUMENT	Constitution adopted 10 July 2022
CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER	1203988
TRUSTEES RESPONSIBLE FOR MANAGING THE CHARITY	Mrs Stephanie Tongeman (Resigned July 2025) Mr Stephen Newton - Treasurer (from June 2021) Mr Christian Peach - Secretary (from May 2013) Mrs Tracy Green (from June 2021) Rev James Kirk (from December 2023) Mr David Tongeman - Chair (from November 2024)
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Nick Spear ACCA Stewardship 1 Lamb's Passage LONDON EC1Y 8AB

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

The Trustees have pleasure in submitting the Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Objects of the charity

The charity, which is a church, is governed by a constitution and is constituted as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. The charity's principal objects, as set out in its governing document, are:

- a) The advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination.
- b) Advancing Christ-centred relationships through befriending, education, advice and pastoral support, including the support of local charitable and non-profit organisations.

Summary of the charity's main activities and achievements

To further the above objects and vision, the charity's main activities and achievements were as follows:

To live out the charity's mission statement 'Knowing Jesus and Making Him Known' by solid bible teaching, meaningful worship and equipping people for everyday Christian service.

Showing love in the way Jesus would, by befriending those vulnerable within society, using the resources available to us, especially the church building, The Armstong Centre, to meet and alleviate social isolation in the elderly, those with emotional traumas, and hardships. These have been met using programmes such as Warm Welcome and a Seniors lunch club where people can meet socially, gain pastoral support, and obtain a Christian perspective on life's issues.

The successful winding up of the excepted charity, Beverley Baptist Church, which had run for 30+ years including its final year where it ran alongside Beverley Baptist, the CIO, during a transition phase from one to the other.

Amongst other members, much of this was supported by the fixed-term placement of a Community Chaplain (a Newly Accredited Minister in the Baptist denomination). A post originally made possible by a generous grant from the Baptist Insurance Company.

In planning the activities the Trustees have applied the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

Financial review

This is the first period Beverley Baptist has operated as a CIO. The previous excepted charity, Beverley Baptist Church, ran alongside the CIO and a significant proportion of the income and expenditure was realised by that entity during this accounting period. The cash held by the charity at this period end is £119,962, of which £114,102 is unrestricted and can be used for any charitable purpose.

Reserves policy

The trustees have determined that the charity should aim to hold unrestricted cash of no less than £11,500 (which equates to the calculated staff notice periods in unrestricted expenditure) so that the charity could continue to operate should income and/or expenditure vary adversely. At the year end, the charity held unrestricted cash of £114,102 for the purpose of remaining solvent.

Governance

Responsibility for setting policy and for making operating decisions rest with the trustees who meet regularly to monitor the activities of the charity. Some day to day operations are delegated to the manager of the The Armstrong Centre, with guidance provided by the Project & Finance Group (PFG). New trustees are recruited and appointed by the membership and require a majority vote as per the conditions set out in the constitution. .

Organisational structure

Beverley Baptist is a member-led CIO governed by a constitution. The membership vote for leaders to serve for a 3 year term on the Leadership Team (as a Charity Trustee). The church/charity employs three members of staff, one of whom is a Newly Accredited Baptist Minister, employed as the Community Chaplain. This role is given equal responsibility for leadership and charity trusteeship.

Relationships with other charities and related parties

Beverley Baptist has close ties with The Armstrong Centre (Beverley) Ltd, a company limited by guarantee. This company is used to provide services which add to Beverley Baptist's charitable aims.

Risk statement

The charity is exposed to various risks - be they operational, financial or reputational. The trustees review the charity's activities regularly to identify significant risks and, where possible, they take appropriate measures to mitigate those risks.

All matters of safeguarding, health and safety, pastoral wellbeing and financial control, to name but a few, are regularly monitored by the Safeguarding Lead, Leadership Team (charity trustees), the Project and Finance Group, employees of the charity and various members with expertise and experience in the given area.

Responsibilities of trustees

Charity law requires us as Trustees to prepare financial statements for each accounting year which record the receipts and payments of the charity for the year.

We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable us to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011.

We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to prevent fraud or any other irregularities.

Approval

This report was approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Stephen G Newton
Stephen G Newton (Dec 3, 2025 15:48:47 GMT)

Stephen Newton

Date: Dec 3, 2025

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF

Beverley Baptist

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Beverley Baptist ('the charity') for the year ended 31 December 2024 on pages 6 to 9 following.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable 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 material 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 accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

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

Nick Spear

Nick Spear (Dec 4, 2025 15:35:51 GMT)

Nick Spear ACCA
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Date: Dec 4, 2025

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		Restricted	2024
		General Funds £	Designated Funds £	Funds £	£
<i>Income receipts</i>					
Giving - Regular Donations		54,055	-	-	54,055
Gift Aid		-	-	-	-
Interest		1,357	-	-	1,357
Donations towards Rooms from TACL		10,000	-	-	10,000
Bank transfers from BBC (excepted)		132,285	-	15,322	147,607
Cash transfers from BBC (excepted)		45	-	-	45
Non Budget - One-off Donations		1,963	-	-	1,963
Non Budget - Buliding-specific		-	-	1,431	1,431
<i>Total receipts</i>		<u>199,704</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,753</u>	<u>216,458</u>
<i>Payments</i>					
Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly	2	61,404	-	24,529	85,933
Grants paid in relation to charitable activities undertaken by others	3	5,563	-	5,000	10,563
		<u>66,966</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>29,529</u>	<u>96,495</u>
<i>Total payments</i>		<u>66,966</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>29,529</u>	<u>96,495</u>
Net of receipts / (payments) before		132,738	-	(12,776)	119,962
Transfers between funds	5	(18,636)	-	18,636	-
Net movement in funds		<u>114,102</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,861</u>	<u>119,962</u>
Cash funds as at last year end		-	-	-	-
Cash funds at this year end	A	<u>114,102</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,861</u>	<u>119,962</u>

The notes on pages 8-9 form part of these accounts.

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

Notes	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted funds	2024
	General funds	Designated funds		
	£	£	£	£
A Cash funds				
Cash at bank with immediate access	38,267	-	5,861	44,127
Notice deposits	75,835	-	-	75,835
	<u>114,102</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,861</u>	<u>119,962</u>
B Other monetary assets				
Gift aid due to charity	10,358	-	-	10,358
Room Rental	1,000	-	-	1,000
Deposit held by Landlord	-	5,000	-	5,000
	<u>11,358</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,358</u>
C Liabilities				
Falling due within one year				
Building Works	-	1,005	-	1,005
Charity Activities	105	-	-	105
Employment Costs	342	-	-	342
Professional Fees	1,060	-	-	1,060
Grant Support	7,749	-	-	7,749
Benevolent Payments	-	-	30	30
Total	<u>9,256</u>	<u>1,005</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>10,291</u>

D Assets retained for charity's own use

	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost	Current value
		£	£
Music and PA equipment	General	1,000	250
Computers and IT	General	1,700	350
Photocopier	General	3,000	1,000
		<u>5,700</u>	<u>1,600</u>

E Guarantees and secured debts

The charity has not given any guarantees and has not provided its assets as security for any liabilities.

The accounts were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Stephen G Newton
Stephen G Newton (Dec 3, 2025 15:48:47 GMT)

Stephen Newton

Date: Dec 3, 2025

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

1 Accounting policies

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis and comprise a statement that shows the charity's receipts and payments, a statement that summarises the charity's assets and liabilities and related notes. The accountancy profession have determined that only accounts prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards present a 'true and fair' view and, as these receipts and payments accounts have not (and cannot) be prepared in accordance with accounting standards, these accounts do not present (and are not intended to present) a 'true and fair' view of the charity's financial activities and state of affairs.

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. Restricted funds are donations which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors; they include donations received from appeals for specific activities or projects.

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		Restricted	
	General	Designated	Funds	2024
	funds	funds		
	£	£	£	£
2 Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly				
Building Expenses	32,400		23,516	55,916
Community Activities	4,924	-	933	5,857
General Expenses	1,468	-	-	1,468
Miscellaneous	49	-	-	49
Outreach	620	-	-	620
Professional	2,381	-	-	2,381
Resources	950	-	-	950
Staff	18,612	-	-	18,612
Non Budget - Benevolent Expenses	-	-	80	80
	<u>61,404</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>24,529</u>	<u>85,933</u>

3 Grants paid in relation to charitable activities undertaken by others

Grants for:				
UK Mission	3,062	-	-	3,062
Overseas Mission	1,504	-	-	1,504
TACL (Beverley)	997	-	5,000	5,997
	<u>5,562.73</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>10,563</u>

4 Transactions with related parties

Tracy Green, one of the charity trustees served as the Community Chaplain and was paid £8281 for serving in that capacity (whilst employed by the CIO), and not for serving as a trustee; these payments are permitted by the charity's governing document.

Financial support to the value of £5997 was provided to The Armstrong Centre (Beverley) Ltd, for which one of the trustees is a director, to support the work it does in furthering its charitable aims, such as befriending and alleviating poverty using resources available within the church building. The Armstrong Centre (Beverley) Ltd also paid to the charity £10,000 in income for room rental and the charity paid The Armstrong Charity (Beverley) Ltd £5,523 in relation to services provided.

No other payments were made to trustees or anyone close to them, but for repayment of resources purchased against receipts. Such receipts include the likes of catering supplies, building maintenance and computing requirements, all for the benefit of the charity.

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FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

5 Movement of funds

	Opening balance £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers £	Closing balance £
General funds	-	199,704	(66,966)	(18,636)	114,102
Designated funds					
Building Fund	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted funds					
Grant Fund	-	933	(933)	-	-
Building Fund	-	4,880	(23,516)	18,636	-
The Armstrong Centre (Beverley) Fund	-	10,000	(5,000)	-	5,000
Benevolent Fund	-	941	(80)	-	861
	-	16,753	(29,529)	18,636	5,861
Total funds	-	216,458	(96,495)	-	119,962

The Benevolent Fund, whilst technically a designated fund is considered to be restricted so as to use it carefully. Its purpose is to provide financially to those in need, or to donate anonymously to the donor. Under no circumstances can Gift Aid be claimed against any donation to this fund. Donations have to be specifically identified as Benevolent Fund donations and due diligence is carried out to ensure no donations contravene any of our policies, especially that of money laundering. Use of said fund can be relatively confidential - not every charity trustee will know where money is being used but the Treasurer and at least one other Trustee must approve any payment made and declare the balance of the fund at regular intervals throughout the accounting period.

The restricted Building Fund has been depleted during this accounting period, and therefore removed until required at a later stage.