

Charity registration number 1205186 (England and Wales)

A NEW THING
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD 12 OCTOBER 2023 TO 31 OCTOBER 2024



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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	A Akinfenwa	(Appointed 12 October 2023)
	N Thompson	(Appointed 12 October 2023)
	O Olusola	(Appointed 12 October 2023)
Charity number (England and Wales)	1205186	
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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2024

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the period ended 31 October 2024.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Charities SORP "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)".

Objectives and activities

The object of the CIO is the advancement of the Christian faith, in particular by providing worship, prayer and Christian teaching

We are a church group, a christian creative community who meet weekly for our prayer meetings (tues/thurs), sunday sessions and also midweek bible class seasonally. We carry out our community work through Hands & Feet initiative which supports the local community in hackney & surrounding areas.

A New Thing has demonstrated its commitment to the development of health spiritually and holistically, this has been reflected through its activities of prayer meetings, sunday sessions with dynamic teaching on practicalising spiritual truths and also speaking on and encouraging the church on their physical health. Hosting various drives and initiatives that helped develop the congregation's commitment to representing Christ in their different sphere of influences.

Public benefit

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

Achievements and performance

Significant activities and achievements against objectives

We were able to have our first blood drive in support of Sickle Cell Month through our Hands & Feet Initiative, this was to help raise awareness amongst our congregation who are predominantly black which is a demographic that's affected majorly.

We had our first finance class where we taught biblically how to steward finances and practical tips on budgeting, saving & investing in an ethical and healthy way, led & led by a professional from our congregation. The church also decided that we would financially support charity organisations with 10% of our income moving forward as our financial commitment to contributing to the betterment of society.

The church also had the opportunity to help those negatively affected mentally/emotionally who didn't have the means to afford counselling over a period of time, contributing to their mental and emotional well being of the congregation.

A NEW Summer is our time of extensive social activity where we were able to host different kinds of meetings such as:

Social Sunday
TAP Sunday
A NEW Fun Day

that helped foster community and social activity amongst the congregation. This provided ample opportunity for us to practice what we were being taught.

Financial review

During the period the charity had a surplus on Unrestricted funds of £84,749, arising from income of £160,376.

This period was a transitional one, as the CIO took over the activities of the Church which were previously held in a limited company. Income includes excess reserves which were gifted over on the transfer.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2024

Reserves policy

ANT holds large reserves against unforeseen events and has maintained an above target level of reserves with regards to the ongoing level of expenses incurred.

The level of reserves held on 31 October 2024 was £84,749. Given the financial position at the balance sheet date, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the church has adequate resources to continue to operate for the foreseeable future on a going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

Structure, governance and management

The charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). It was registered with the Charity Commission on 12 October 2023 (no. 1205186). The work of the charity was previously carried out by a private limited company (no. 12115824). On 31 January 2024 the activities were transferred to the CIO.

The trustees who served during the period and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

A Akinfenwa	(Appointed 12 October 2023)
N Thompson	(Appointed 12 October 2023)
O Olusola	(Appointed 12 October 2023)

Recruitment and appointment of trustees


Trustees with relevant knowledge and experience with a heart for achieving the objects of the charity are recruited from time to time as needed by recommendation of the existing Trustees.

None of the trustees has any beneficial interest in the company. All of the trustees are members of the company and guarantee to contribute £1 in the event of a winding up.

Organisational structure

Ayokunu and Susan Oduniyi serve as senior leaders of A New Thing London.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



A Akinfenwa
Trustee

Date: 8 September 2025

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2024

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping sufficient accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF A NEW THING

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of A New Thing (the charity) for the period ended 31 October 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act 2011.

Independent examiner's statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared the financial statements in accordance with the relevant version of the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn. I understand that this has been done in order for the financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Charities Act 2011.
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of financial statements set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the financial statements give a true and fair view, which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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



John Caladine FCCA CTA FCIE

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Date:

15 September 2024

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Income from:		
Donations and legacies	3	151,881
Investments	4	11
Other income	5	8,484
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Total income		160,376
Expenditure on:		
Charitable activities	6	75,627
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Total expenditure		75,627
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Net income and movement in funds		84,749
Reconciliation of funds:		
Fund balances at 12 October 2023		-
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Fund balances at 31 October 2024		84,749
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The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the period. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 OCTOBER 2024

	Notes	2024 £	£
Fixed assets			
Property, plant and equipment	13		7,548
Current assets			
Trade and other receivables	14	3,772	
Cash at bank and in hand		74,809	
		<u>78,581</u>	
Current liabilities	15	(1,380)	
Net current assets			<u>77,201</u>
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>84,749</u>
The funds of the charity			
Unrestricted funds	16		<u>84,749</u>
			<u>84,749</u>

The financial statements were approved by the trustees on 8th September 2025



A Akinfenwa
Trustee

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2024

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

A New Thing is registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales (no. 1205186). It is governed in accordance with its Constitution dated 12 October 2023.

1.1 Reporting period

The financial statements have been prepared from registration 12 October 2023 to the period end 31 October 2024.

1.2 Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Charities SORP "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities not to prepare a statement of cash flows.

The financial statements have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.3 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.4 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

1.5 Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2024

1 Accounting policies (Continued)

1.6 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges are allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

1.7 Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment of cost greater than £1,000 are capitalised, and are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following basis:

Equipment	25% straight line
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The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1.8 Impairment of non-current assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

1.9 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.10 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include trade and other receivables and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2024

1 Accounting policies (Continued)

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including trade and other payables and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade payables are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade payables are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.11 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2024

3 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Donations and gifts	151,881
Donations and gifts	
Stewardship	127,027
Tithes and offerings	24,854
	151,881

4 Income from investments

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
Interest receivable	11

5 Other income

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
A New Thing London Ltd	8,484

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2024

6 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Charitable activities
	2024 £
Direct costs	
Staff costs	8,100
Depreciation and impairment	2,517
Pastoral and ministry	7,430
Premises	24,574
Travelling	2,896
Catering	7,417
Equipment	6,675
Media production	3,328
	<u>62,937</u>
Grant funding of activities (see note 7)	7,942
Share of support and governance costs (see note 8)	
Support	2,998
Governance	1,750
	<u>75,627</u>
Analysis by fund	
Unrestricted funds	<u>75,627</u>

7 Grants payable

	Charitable activities
	2024 £
Grants to institutions:	
Donations and community support	2,491
Grants to individuals	<u>5,451</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2024

8 Support costs allocated to activities

	2024 £
Administration	2,760
Insurance	238
Governance costs	1,750
	<u>4,748</u>
<u>Analysed between:</u>	
Charitable activities	<u>4,748</u>

	2024 £
Governance costs comprise:	
Independent examination fees	540
Accountancy	848
Bank fees	2
Payroll	360
	<u>1,750</u>

9 Net movement in funds

	2024 £
The net movement in funds is stated after charging/(crediting):	
Fees payable to the charity's independent examiner:	
- for the independent examination of the charity's financial statements	540
- for tax advisory services	360
- for other financial services	1,140
Depreciation of owned property, plant and equipment	<u>2,517</u>

10 Trustees

The charity received aggregate donations from trustees and related parties of £24,703 during the period.

Trustee Emmanuel Akinfenwa and his spouse received anniversary gifts of value £444 during the period, as part of the Charity's pastoral activities.

No other trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the period.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2024

11 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the period was:

**2024
Number**

1

Employment costs

**2024
£**

Wages and salaries

8,100

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

Remuneration of key management personnel

The remuneration of key management personnel was as follows:

**2024
£**

Aggregate compensation

8,100

12 Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

13 Property, plant and equipment

**Equipment
£**

Cost

Additions

10,065

At 31 October 2024

10,065

Depreciation and impairment

Depreciation charged in the period

2,517

At 31 October 2024

2,517

Carrying amount

At 31 October 2024

7,548

14 Trade and other receivables

2024

Amounts falling due within one year:

£

Other receivables

3,772

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2024

15 Current liabilities

	2024 £
Accruals and deferred income	1,380

16 Unrestricted funds

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used. These include designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

	At 12 October 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	At 31 October 2024 £
General funds	-	160,376	(75,627)	84,749

17 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the period (- none).