



New Footing Ministries Registration number 1205353

# Annual report of New Footing Ministries for the Period Ending 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024



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## **NEW FOOTINGS MINISTRIES**

### **ANNUAL REPORT**

**For the Period Ending 31st October 2024**

#### **1. Aims and Purposes**

New Footings Ministries (NFM) exists to serve vulnerable individuals and communities through Christian-based outreach, spiritual support, and practical assistance. Our mission is rooted in faith, compassion, and inclusivity, providing hope and empowerment to those experiencing hardship, crisis, or marginalisation.

#### **2. Objectives and Activities**

In 2024, NFM focused on:

- Winter Night Shelter from mid December until early March accommodated at The Haven, Gerston Place, Paignton, Devon
- Provided security, volunteer teams from 6 pm through to 9 am next morning
- Hot showers, laundry service, hot meals and packed lunches provided during this period
- Drop-in sessions offering emotional and pastoral support
- Collaboration with agencies for housing, mental health, and recovery support
- Supported up to 20 rough sleepers each night

These activities align with our purpose to meet physical, emotional, and spiritual needs.

#### **3. Safeguarding**

NFM prioritises safeguarding and maintains an up-to-date Safeguarding Policy. All staff and volunteers are required to complete safeguarding training and undergo DBS checks. There were no reportable safeguarding incidents in 2024.



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#### **4. Staffing**

In September 2024, Maria joined the team in a part-time pastoral and outreach support role. Her three-month term strengthened our capacity and helped expand our engagement with beneficiaries.

#### **5. Pastoral**

The pastoral ministry remained a core part of our mission. In 2023/2024, the team delivered over 150 one-to-one support sessions and responded to increased requests for prayer, grief support, and emotional recovery services.

#### **6. Relationships**

We continued to deepen our partnerships with churches, local councils, charities, and service providers. These relationships enhanced our ability to offer holistic support and streamlined referral pathways for service users.

#### **7. Volunteers – Our Sincere Thanks**

We are incredibly grateful to our volunteers who gave generously of their time, skills, and compassion. Their support across kitchen prep, outreach, logistics, and admin made all the difference in 2023/2024.

#### **8. NFM Members**

Our members remained faithful in their support through giving, prayer, and participation in ministry activities. Membership remains a key source of accountability and spiritual guidance for the charity.



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## **9. Elected Members**

The elected members (trustees) of NFM provided governance, vision, and oversight throughout 2023/2024. Their role ensures legal and spiritual stewardship of the charity's mission and resources.

## **10. Structure, Governance and Management**

NFM is governed by a Board of Trustees in accordance with our governing document. Trustees meet regularly to oversee operations, financials, and safeguarding compliance. Day-to-day operations are delegated to the leadership team under trustee supervision.

## **11. Responsibilities and Basis of the Report**

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102), applicable to charities preparing their accounts on the accrual's basis. It provides a true and fair view of the charity's activities for the period ending 31st October 2024.

## **12. Independent Examiner's Statement**

A copy of the Independent Examiner's Statement will be lodged with the Charity Commission with this document and is included in the Final Accounts for this period

## **13. Annual Financial Report**

A copy of NFM Annual Financial Report period ended 31st October 2024 will be lodged with the Charity Commission with this document and is included in the Final Accounts for this period



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#### **14. Accounting Policies**

NFM prepares its financial statements in line with the Charities SORP (FRS 102). Income and expenditure are accounted for on an accruals basis. Funds are allocated as either restricted or unrestricted.

#### **15. Fund Accounting**

Restricted funds are earmarked for specific purposes (e.g., food trailer project), while unrestricted funds support core operational and outreach activities.

#### **16. Income**

£61,850

#### **17. Expenditure**

£55,093

#### **18. Fixed Assets**

None

#### **19. Activities Overview**

In an endeavour to provide Winter Night Shelter accommodation for the most needy in our community during the coldest and darkest times of our winter, we were privileged to share The Haven building. This put an immense strain on the running of The Haven and thanks were expressed to the Management and Volunteers without whom we would not have been able to continue. There were a number of neighbours who found those we care for extremely intimidating. Although all issues were addressed with care and sensitivity, it was agreed that we would not hold a night shelter at The Haven in the future but would prayerfully seek alternative accommodation or look for different opportunities of serving



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the homeless. Community engagement and service impact grew steadily throughout the year.

## **20. Creditors**

None

## **21. Staff Costs**

Maria's employment for three months is included under staff costs. No other staff were employed during 2024.

## **22. Transactions with Trustees**

There were no payments made to trustees or their relatives during the year. Any donations from trustees or their families were made voluntarily and without condition.

### **Prepared by:**

New Footings Ministries Trustees

**Date:** 30/06/2025

### **Signed:**

Chair of Trustees: \_\_\_\_\_

Treasurer: \_\_\_\_\_

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## **New Footings Ministries**

### **Independent examiner's report to the trustees of New Footings Ministries**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the New Footings Ministries charity for the period ended 31 October 2024

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

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

#### **Basis of independent examiner's report**

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust'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 Act. I have completed my examination.

#### **Independent examiner's statement**

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 respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or 2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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 accounts to be reached.

Signed: *I M Knox*

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**4 June 2025**

**New Footings Ministries**  
**Statement of Financial Activities**  
**For the year ended 31 October 2024**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
<b>Incoming resources</b>				
Incoming resources from generated funds	1	16,423	45,427	61,850
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		16,423	45,427	61,850
<b>Expenditure</b>				
Charitable activities	2	14,605	40,488	55,093
<b>Total resources expended</b>		14,605	40,488	55,093
<b>Net incoming resources before transfers</b>		1,818	4,939	6,757
Transfers				
Net movement in funds after transfers		1,818	4,939	6,757
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>				
Total funds brought forward		10,100	-	10,100
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		11,918	4,939	16,857

**New Footings Ministries**  
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**Statements of assets and liabilities**  
**as at 31 October 2024**

	Notes	2024	
		£	£
Sundry debtors		330	
Cash at bank and in hand		16,527	
		<u>16,857</u>	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>		-	
			<u>16,857</u>
<b>Net Assets</b>			<u><u>16,857</u></u>
<b>The funds of the charity</b>			
Restricted funds	4	4,939	
Unrestricted funds	4	11,918	
<b>Total charity funds</b>			<u><u>16,857</u></u>

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**New Footings Ministries**  
**Notes to the Accounts**  
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**1 Donations**

	<b>Unrestricted Funds £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds £</b>	<b>Total Funds 2024 £</b>
Donations received - unrestricted	15,973		15,973
Donations received - restricted		45,427	45,427
Gift Aid	-		-
Contribution to rent	450		450
	<u>16,423</u>	<u>45,427</u>	<u>61,850</u>

**2 Charitable activities**

	<b>Unrestricted Funds £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds £</b>	<b>Total Funds 2024 £</b>
Security		34,895	34,895
Food/clothing/cleaning etc	370	3,946	4,316
POD and container	8,404		8,404
Storage and Rental	2,315	346	2,661
Insurance		811	811
Stationery	304	25	329
Mileage	257	201	458
Training	1,077		1,077
Software and IT	734		734
Repairs and maintenance	494		494
Fees and subscriptions	450		450
DBS checks		264	264
Marketing including shows	200		200
Other donations	-		-
Bank charges	-		-
	<u>14,605</u>	<u>40,488</u>	<u>55,093</u>

**3 Analysis of funds**

	<b>At 23 October 2023 £</b>	<b>Incoming Resources £</b>	<b>Resources expended £</b>	<b>Transfers</b>	<b>At 31 October 2024 £</b>
<b>General funds</b>					
Unrestricted funds	<u>10,100</u>	<u>16,423</u>	<u>(14,605)</u>		<u>11,918</u>
<b>Other funds</b>					
Restricted funds		45,427	(40,488)		4,939
	<u>-</u>	<u>45,427</u>	<u>(40,488)</u>		<u>4,939</u>

**4 Net assets by fund**

	<b>Unrestricted Funds £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds £</b>	<b>Total Funds 2024 £</b>	<b>Total Funds 2023 £</b>
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