

THE LIBERTY CHURCH ESSEX

England & Wales · Charity number 1207049

Details

Other names LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH CIC

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2024-02-15

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE PURPOSES OF THE CHURCH ARE:THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BASIS OF FAITH PRIMARILY BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY WITHIN ROMFORD, ESSEX, AND THE SURROUNDING BOROUGHES AND SUCH OTHER CHARITABLE PURPOSES AS SHALL, IN THE OPINION OF THE CHARITY TRUSTEES FURTHER THE WORK OF THE CHURCH.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Other Finance, Provides Services
- **What:** Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Throughout England

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-04-30	£19,726	£18,019	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
David Smith		2026-03-01
GARY JARRETT		2024-12-17
Laida Lucas		2024-12-17
Natasha Scott-Matthews		2024-12-17
Theresa Beckles		2024-12-17

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Accounts

THE LIBERTY CHURCH ESSEX

Registered Charity Number: 1207049

Trustees' Annual Report for the period: 15 February 2024 – 1 April 2025

1. Reference and Administrative Details

Charity Name: The Liberty Church Essex

Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)

Registration Number: 1207049

Date of Registration: 15 February 2024

Registered Address: 11 Warwick Gardens, Romford, RM2 6 QS

Trustees During the Reporting Period:

- Lee Chalkley, Chair
- Theresa Beckles, Treasurer
- Natasha Scott-Matthews, Secretary
- Laida Lucas, trustee
- Richard Daisley, Trustee
- Gary Jarrett, Trustee

Bankers: Barclays Bank

2. Structure, Governance and Management

The Liberty Church Essex is a **Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)** operating under a Foundation or Association model. The CIO constitution outlines how trustees are appointed, their responsibilities, and governance procedures.

Trustees meet regularly to oversee:

- Compliance with charity law
- Financial stewardship
- Risk management
- Delivery of charitable activities
- Safeguarding and health & safety

New trustees receive an induction that includes governance training, safeguarding requirements, and CIO responsibilities.

3. Objectives and Activities

The Liberty Church Essex exists to advance the Christian faith in Essex and surrounding areas through:

- Weekly worship services
- Teaching, preaching, and discipleship
- Community outreach
- Support for families, young people, and vulnerable individuals
- Pastoral care
- Prayer gatherings, small groups, and programmes

Public Benefit Statement:

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty under the Charities Act to have regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. All activities are carried out to benefit the public through spiritual, emotional, and social support.

4. ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE (2024)

Although 2024 was the organisation's first year as a registered CIO, significant progress was made in establishing the church's presence, structure, and outreach.

Key Highlights:

a) Worship & Teaching

- Weekly services held at Sir George Monoux Sixth Form College.
- Introduction of teaching series helping attendees grow in biblical understanding.
- Increased engagement over the year.

b) Community Outreach

- Distribution of food parcels during monthly community Sunday outreach in Walthamstow
- Support for local families and individuals in need.

c) Pastoral Support

- Counselling, home visits, and prayer support offered throughout the year.
- Bereavement support and crisis intervention where needed.

d) Discipleship & Small Groups

- Small group meetings launched/continued, supporting spiritual growth and connection.
- Courses such as Alpha, foundations classes Bible study groups conducted

e) Events & Gatherings

- Special services held (Christmas, Easter, baptisms, conferences, etc.)
 - Youth or children's programmes
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5. Financial Review

Income

The Liberty Church Essex received income from:

- Donations
- Tithes and offerings

Total Income: £19,726.00

Expenditure

Funds were spent on:

- Venue hire
- Equipment and resources
- Outreach and community support
- Operational costs

Total Expenditure: £18,019.00

Gifts Received from Closed Charity

- Bank Balance	£9,321.59
- Website	£1,796.00
- Equipment	£5,517.00

Reserves Policy

The trustees aim to maintain a reserve equivalent to **3 months of operating costs** to ensure sustainability.

Current reserves at year-end: £11,029.00

Going Concern

The charity remains financially stable, and trustees are confident in ongoing sustainability.

6. Risk Management

The trustees have assessed major risks and implemented controls to mitigate them, including:

- Safeguarding procedures
- Financial controls and regular monitoring
- Data protection compliance
- Health and safety policies
- Volunteer training
- Contingency planning

Safeguarding remains a high-priority area with policies in place for both children and vulnerable adults.

7. Plans for the Future (2025)

The Liberty Church Essex aims to:

- Grow its worship gatherings and community presence
- Expand discipleship programmes
- Strengthen outreach initiatives
- Develop youth and children's ministries
- Increase leadership training and volunteer development
- Pursue a permanent venue
- Enhance online ministry and communication

These plans support the church's mission to serve the community and advance the Christian faith.

8. Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for:

- Ensuring proper accounting records
 - Preparing accounts in accordance with the Charities Act and SORP
 - Safeguarding assets
 - Managing resources effectively for charitable purposes
 - Ensuring legal and regulatory compliance
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9. Approval of the Report

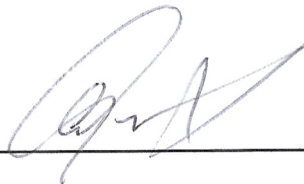
This report was approved by the Board of Trustees on:

Date: 19th February 2026

Signed on behalf of the trustees:

Name: Gary Jarrett

Signed: _____



Position: Trustee

Name: Lee Chalkley

Signed: _____



Position: Chairperson

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1207049

**Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements for the Period Ended 30th April 2025
For
The Liberty Church Essex**

**M G Mundle and Co Ltd
(Chartered Certified Accountants)
63 Winifred Road
Dagenham
Essex
RM8 1PP**

**The Liberty Church Essex
 Receipt and Payment Account
 Period ended 30th April 2025**

	Note	2025 Total Funds (Unrestricted) £
RECEIPTS		
Charitable activities		<u>19,726</u>
Total Income		<u>19,726</u>
PAYMENTS		
Expenditure on charitable activities	6	<u>18,019</u>
Total expenditure		<u>18,019</u>
Net income		<u>1,707</u>
Reconciliation of bank and cash balances		
Bank and cash balance brought forward		-
Cash received from closed charity		<u>9,322</u>
Bank and cash balances carried forward		<u>11,029</u>

The statement of receipt and payment include all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 3 to 5 form part of these financial statements.

The Liberty Church Essex
Statement of Assets and Liabilities
Period ended 30th April 2025

		2025
	Note	
Fixed assets		
Intangible fixed assets	3	1,437
Tangible fixed assets	4	<u>4,965</u>
		6,402
Current assets		
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>11,029</u>
Net current assets		11,029
Creditors: amount falling due within one year	5	<u>-520</u>
Net current assets		<u>10,509</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>16,911</u>
Funds of the charity		
Unrestricted funds		<u>16,911</u>
Total charity funds		<u>16,911</u>

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 19th February 2025, and are signed on behalf of the board by:

Mr Gary Jarrett
Trustee



Mr Lee Charkley
Chairperson



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The Liberty Church Essex
Notes to the financial statements
Period ended 30th April 2025

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Receipts and Payments once it has been established that it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Intangible fixed assets

Intangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated amortisation and any accumulative impairment losses.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulative impairment losses. Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at a rate calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life as follows:
Equipment - 10% straight line basis.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

2 TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the period ended 30th April 2025.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the period ended 30th April 2025.

3 INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

£

Website development cost:

Cost

Gifted on 15th February 2024

1,796

At 30th April 2025

1,796

Amortisation

At 15th February 2024

-

Provided during the year

359

At 30th April 2025

359

Net Book Value

At 30th April 2025

1,437

Website development cost is being written off in equal instalments over its estimated economic life of 5 years.

4 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Equipment

Totals

£

£

COST

At 15th February

-

-

Additions (Gift on 15th February 2024)

5,517

5,517

At 30th April 2025

5,517

5,517

DEPRECIATION

At 15th February 2024

-

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Charge for the period

552

552

At 30th April 2025

552

552

NET BOOK VALUE

At 30th April 2025

4,965

4,965

5 Creditors: AMOUNT FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

30.04.2025

£

Accrual- Accountancy fees 520

6 Total expenditure on charitable activities

Total expenditure on charitable activities exclude the following non-cash items:

Amortisation of website development cost 359

Provision for depreciation of tangible fixed assets 552

7 MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At start of the period £	Net movement in funds £	At 30.04.2025 £
Unrestricted funds (gifted)	16,635	-	16,635
Surplus for the period	-	<u>276</u>	<u>276</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>16635</u>	<u>276</u>	<u>16,911</u>