



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 17.04.24 Period start date To 31.12.24 Period end date

Charity name: Chesterfield Baptist Church

Charity registration number: 1207894

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The advancement of the Christian Faith, according to the principles of the Baptist denomination.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	The teaching and encouragement of people of all ages, including children and young people through regular public worship, prayer, bible study, preaching and teaching and activities that connect with and support our local community, the wider town, the United Kingdom and across the world as determined by the church.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees have regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Most of the ongoing work of the church is carried out by volunteers overseen by the trustees. During the reporting period the Church has been in a pastoral vacancy.

Other		
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Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	In line with the principal purposes of Chesterfield Baptist Church, the church has worked for the advancement of the Christian faith through: · maintaining regular public worship, open to all, in person and on Zoom to enable the sick and elderly to participate including holding monthly Communion services. The church has benefitted from a variety of different speakers from within and from outside the church during this period of pastoral vacancy. · offering baptism with one baptism service in 2024. · holding weekly and monthly prayer meetings, again in person and on Zoom. · encouraging attendees to join a Bible study group (meeting at different times and places to best meet the needs of the diverse congregation). · providing Sunday morning teaching groups for children aged up to eleven years old most weeks of the year. Local families were supported more widely through 2024 with monthly Saturday morning family activities and until autumn 2024 through a weekly toddler group. · the work of the pastoral care group and Bible study groups in providing pastoral care to the congregation, both those able to attend and those who are sick or elderly and unable to regularly attend. This care for those who may be struggling is not restricted to the attendees of the church but extends to the wider community through the weekly 'Renew Wellbeing Café' which offers a safe space with activities, hot drinks and cake plus soup through the winter months. · supporting and encouraging charitable social action in the United Kingdom and abroad through specific fundraising events or in response to local, national or international events. Donations from members to Chesterfield Foodbank and Tools With A Mission (TWAM) are collected throughout the year. In addition, the building is used by a

		number of community groups, monthly Waste Not Café, monthly Repair Café, and weekly Chesterfield Child Contact Centre to support community needs more widely.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	As of 31.12.24 the Charity holds funds of £116,326. This is made up of £44,964 in current accounts and £71,362 in deposit accounts. This is largely accounted for because we had only one part time employee for that time as we were in a pastoral vacancy and had no paid administrator. The Church's assets were fully transferred to the CIO on 1st January 2025.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Reserves are held to ensure that we can employ a full-time minister to further achieve our aims as a charity. In addition, there were plans for significant building costs, including the refurbishment of the lift to enable full access to the building, replacement ceilings and other costs related to the upkeep of an old building.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£71,362
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Regular giving by members and other church attendees and Gift Aid
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	The Charity is governed by an Approved Governing Document which states that the principal purpose of the charity is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination to include the advancement of education, community service and such other charitable purposes locally, in parts of the United Kingdom and the world as the church shall determine. The Baptist Union Corporation Limited is the custodian trustee for the land and buildings owned by the Church. The Church occupies premises which are held by the Baptist Union Corporation Ltd, on Trusts which are entirely compatible with the above object.
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Chesterfield Baptist Church is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO).
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustees are elected by the church membership through an elections process outlined in section 14 of the Approved Constitution.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

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Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Chesterfield Baptist Church
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1207894
Charity's principal address	Chesterfield Baptist Church, Cross Street, Chesterfield S40 4ST

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Lynne Braithwaite		17.04.2024	Church membership
2	Laura Brown		17.04.2024	Church membership
3	Marcia Carter	Church Secretary	17.04.2024	Church membership
4	Robert Hall		17.04.2024	Church membership
5	Christine Hardy		17.04.2024	Church membership
6	Gillian Knight	Treasurer	17.04.2024	Church membership
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

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Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)		
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)		
Date		



Chesterfield Baptist Church		Receipts and payments accounts		CC16a
For the period	From	Period start date	To	Period end date
		01/01/2024		31/12/2024

Section A Receipts and payments

Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £

A1 Receipts				
Offerings	72,665	-	72,665	80,145
Offerings Gift Aid	17,883	-	17,883	7,076
Fabric		-		2,025
Training		-		288
Outreach	414	-	414	2,096
Interest	3,192	-	3,192	4,035
Donations for other causes		-		8
Manse rent		-		2,200
Administration		-		995
Use of building	2,960		2,960	
Ministers expenses				
Legacy				
Council Tax refund	255		255	
Hardship Fund	210		210	
Social				289
Spring Harvest				
Sub total (Gross income for AR)				
	97,579	4,597	102,176	99,157

A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).				
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total receipts				
	97,579	4,597	102,176	99,157

A3 Payments				
Stipend	7,282	-	7,282	20,572
National insurance/tax	4,433	-	4,433	9,610
Pension	2,320	-	2,320	6,498
Spring Harvest		510		
Utilities		-		1,001
Council tax		-		2,008
Petty Cash		-		
Administrator	1,478		1,478	3,498
Visiting Speakers	500		500	175
Emergency fund				5,230
Administration	6,475		6,475	2,052
Ministers expenses	667		667	1,600
Training/ teaching	884		884	2,219
Outreach General	1,557		1,557	
Technology				
Pastoral/ Vacancy	110		110	245
Youth work	286		286	26,660
Fabric-	10,321		10,321	2,243
Insurance	3,091		3,091	1,486
Cleaner	1,696		1,696	3,375
Manse expenses	3,997		3,997	16,654
Donations to other causes				
Meals/ Social				
Hardship				
Caretaker	152		152	1,546
General	6,769		6,769	370
Sub total				
	52,018	15,897	67,915	107,042

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)				
Sub total	-	-	-	-
Total payments				
	52,018	15,897	67,915	107,042
Net of receipts/(payments)				
	45,561	-	34,261	7,885
A5 Transfers between funds				
A6 Cash funds last year end				87,793
Cash funds this year end				
				79,908

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

B1 Cash funds		Details		Categories	
Unrestricted funds to nearest £	44,964	General fund Yorkshire Bank	Total cash funds	agree balances with receipts and payments account(s)	to nearest £
	0	Deposit Account BU (year)			
	55658	Deposit Account BU (3 month)			
	15,704	Deposit Account BU (7 day)			
	116,326				
Restricted funds to nearest £	-				
	-				
	-				
	-				
	-				
Endowment funds to nearest £	-				
	-				
	-				
	-				
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B2 Other monetary assets

B3 Investment assets

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

B5 Liabilities

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

Date of approval		Print Name		Signature	
1-4-2025		KEVIN PITCHFORD			
1-4-2025		GILLIAN KNIGHT			



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Independent examiner's
report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Chesterfield Baptist Church

On accounts for the year
ended

31/12/2024

Charity no
(if any)

1207894

Set out on pages

Responsibilities and basis
of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31/12/2024**

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").

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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's
statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- 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.
* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date: **25.10.2025**

Name:

KEVIN PITCHFORD

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body (if
any):

N/A

Address:

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BRIMINGTON

CHESTERFIELD. S43 1QD

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of
any items that the
examiner wishes to
disclose.

None