

Charity No. 1209259

Colchester Road Baptist Church, Ipswich

(Dormant Accounts)

(A Charitable Incorporated Organisation)

Annual Report and Financial Statements

23 July 2024 – 31 March 2025

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Legal and administrative information

Charity number	1209259
Registered address	Colchester Road Baptist Church Colchester Road Ipswich IP4 4ST
Trustees	Rev Jerry Brown Wendy Goldthorpe Krystal-Ann Reed Rev Andrew Fitzgerald Sally Neal Gordon Crossley Ian Carron Angela Carpenter Graham Abbott
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Trustees' Report

The Trustees present their annual report and accounts for the first period from 23 July 2024 to 31 March 2025.

During this period, the charity was financially and operationally dormant.

Governance

The charity was registered with the Charity Commission on 23 July 2024. It is constituted as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), and operates under a CIO (association) constitution.

On 01 April 2025, the operations, assets and liabilities of Colchester Road Baptist Church (charity no. 1133756) were transferred into this charity, Colchester Road Baptist Church, Ipswich (charity no. 1209259).

Trustees are legally responsible for the governance and management of the charity. Trustees are responsible of setting strategies and policies for ensuring these are implemented.

Membership

Members are admitted in accordance with the provisions of the constitution by vote of the church meeting on the basis of their profession of Christian faith either by Believers Baptism or by affirmation.

Trustees

The Trustees of the charity are the ministers of the church for the time being (appointed by the church meeting for an unspecified period) and the secretary, treasurer and deacons of the church (appointed by the church meeting for a period of 3 years).

The trustees meet at least every 2 months to review operations, the financial performance, and discuss developments to ensure the church's objectives are being fulfilled. The Trustees have not met during this period of dormancy.

Church Meeting

Regular meetings of church members are held, with 5 meetings taking place during the year. One of these meetings incorporates the annual church members' meeting to receive annual accounts, and to appoint Independent Examiners. There have been no members' meetings during this period of dormancy.

The church meeting has responsibility for the overall policy of the church in accordance with the constitution. Relevant matters may be submitted to the church meeting by the trustees for guidance, or may be raised by members in church meeting for further consideration by the trustees.

Objectives and activities

The principal purpose of the church is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist Denomination, to include the advancement of education and such other charitable purposes in the United Kingdom and other parts of the world as the church may determine.

The trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, and in particular, we try to enable people to find and live out their faith as part of our church community through:

- Worship and prayer;
- Learning about the Gospel;
- Developing knowledge of and trust in Jesus;

- Provision of pastoral care;
- Missionary and outreach work.

Achievements and Performance

The CIO was dormant during this period.

Financial review

No transactions took place during this period.

Trustees' responsibilities statement

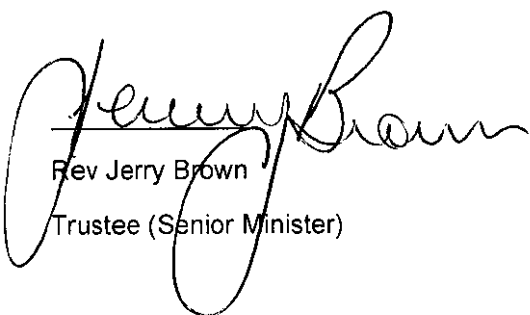
The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year 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;
- 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 proper 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

This report was approved by the Trustees on 25 January 2026 and signed on their behalf by:



Rev Jerry Brown
Trustee (Senior Minister)

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There were no operations in the period.

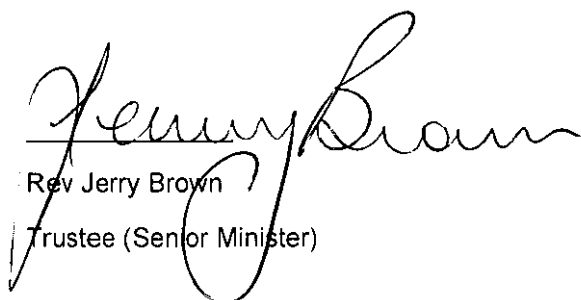
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Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2025

(Dormant Accounts)

		At 31 March 2025
	£	£
Fixed assets		
Tangible assets		
Total fixed assets		0
Current assets		
Debtors	0	
Cash at bank and in hand	0	
	0	
Liabilities		
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	0	
	0	
Net current assets		0
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year		0
Provisions for liabilities		0
Net assets		0
Reserves		0

Approved by the Board on 25 January 2026 and signed on its behalf by:


 Rev Jerry Brown
 Trustee (Senior Minister)

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the period ending 31 March 2025

1. Accounting policies

(a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared for the period 23 July 2024 to 31 March 2025 in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (FRS 102). Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Colchester Road Baptist Church, Ipswich is a public benefit entity.

(b) Donations

Donations are accounted for when received.

(c) Gift Aid

Gift aid is recognised immediately on its entitlement, irrespective to whether or not it has been claimed.

(d) Legacies

Legacies are accounted for when their receipt is probable and can be properly quantified.

(e) Investment Income

Investment Income relates solely to the bank interest received on deposit accounts held by the church and is included when received.

(f) Fund Raising and Publicity costs

The Church does not make formal appeals for funds, and expenditure on these items is therefore not material.

(g) Governance costs

The regulations require the inclusion of direct expenditure on the governance of the church. Most of the management is carried out without charge by volunteers, and this intangible cost is not included in the Statement of Financial Activities, since there is no measurable cost to the volunteers for their service.

(h) Fixed assets

The land underlying the church and the manse (land and buildings) are carried at cost less depreciation. At transition to FRS 102 on 1 April 2015, the costs included for the church land and the manse are deemed to be the carrying values under the previous UK GAAP, which derived from market valuations. No depreciation has been charged as it is considered immaterial due to a high residual value. The church building is carried at cost less depreciation. The church building is being depreciated on a straight-line basis, over 50 years, being the expected useful life of the building. Fixtures, fittings and equipment in the church premises are being depreciated at 25% On a reducing balance basis

(i) Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised in the accounts when it falls due for payment. Any irrecoverable VAT is included within the related expenditure.

(j) Pension Costs

Pension costs are included in the accounts when they fall due for payment.

(k) Transfers between funds

Any transfers between funds would be authorised by the Trustees in the first instance, and then by the members. Any transfers would be recorded at the date agreed by the members.

(l) Going concern

The operations, assets and liabilities of a previously existing Charity, Colchester Road Baptist Church (Charity no. 1133756), were transferred into the Charity on 1 April 2025, since when the Charity has operated as a church.