

Stanley Park Evangelical Free Church



CHARITABLE INCORPORATED
ORGANISATION

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE SIX MONTHS
ENDED

30th SEPTEMBER 2025

CHARITY COMMISSION NUMBER: 1209444

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Trustees	Ryan Thiessen Trevor Laws Anthony Ogilvie
Key Management Personnel	Trustees (see above) Ryan Thiessen (Pastor) Trevor Laws (Secretary) Anthony Ogilvie (Treasurer)
Principal address	130 Stanley Road Carshalton Surrey SM5 4LP
Bankers	Barclays Bank plc
Independent Examiner	Andrew Blackburn 9 Kayemoor Road Sutton Surrey SM2 5HT
Legal Status	Stanley Park Evangelical Free Church is a registered charity (no. 1209444) governed by a CIO.

ANNUAL REPORT

The Trustees of Stanley Park Evangelical Free Church CIO present their first Annual Report and Financial Statements for the six months ended 30 September 2025. The accounts are prepared in accordance with the Accounting Regulations set out under the Charities Act 2011, and with the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing accounts in accordance with FRS102.

Structure, governance and management

The name of the CIO is Stanley Park Evangelical Free Church. It is registered with the Charity Commission (number 1209444).

Constitution

The status of the CIO was granted on 6th August 2024 and was adopted on 1st April 2025. The property had been held in trust by the Fellowship of Independent Evangelical Churches and was transferred to Stanley Park Evangelical Church on 31st March 2025.

The Trustees set the overarching strategic approach and policy framework within which Stanley Park Evangelical Free Church operates and are responsible for managing the affairs of the CIO. The Trustees met 3 times during the period of these accounts.

Appointment and training of Trustees

There were no changes to the board of Trustees in 2025.

Date of accounts

These first accounts are prepared for the six months to 30 September 2025. The next set of accounts will be prepared for the twelve months to 30 September 2026.

Key management personnel

The key management personnel of the charity are the Trustees.

The management of the charity comprises 3 main elements:

- (a) Regular Trustees meetings - we held 3 meetings in the period of these accounts. The meetings ensure the Trustees maintain strategic oversight of all aspects of the charity. All Trustees meetings are attended by all Trustees..
- (b) Finance: all financial operations of the charity and oversight of relevant policies and practices are under the control of the Trustees.
- (c) The church membership are notified of any key decisions.

The Trustees received no remuneration for their work as Trustees or volunteers for Stanley Park Evangelical Free Church, apart from the reimbursement of expenses incurred in the normal course of the charity's operation. One Trustee is an employee of Stanley Park Evangelical Free Church in the position of pastor.

ANNUAL REPORT (continued)

Risk management

The Trustees believe they are aware of the major risks to which the charity is exposed and that controls are in place to mitigate them. At every Trustee meeting we specifically consider whether any safeguarding concerns or risks have emerged to the Trust.

The Trustees consider the principal risks and uncertainties facing the charity, and the plans and strategies for managing these risks.

Financial review

Financial health: The income for the charity for the six months up to 30 September 2025 totalled £28,778 (2024 £Nil) of which £2,474 (2024: £nil) received was given for support of missionary work home and abroad. Total expenditure in the period amounted to £25,437 (2024: £nil) leaving a balance carried forward to reserves of £69,099 (2024: £nil). The Trustees continue to be encouraged by the support of its members.

Financial controls: We have a comprehensive set of financial controls in that all expenditure must be accompanied by documented evidence.

Objects and activities

The purposes of the Church are:

the advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with the Basis of Faith primarily but not exclusively within Carshalton, Surrey and the surrounding neighbourhood; and such other charitable purposes as shall, in the opinion of the charity trustees, put into practice the Christian faith in accordance with the Basis of Faith, including but not limited to: the prevention and relief of need, hardship and sickness; the advancement of education; and the provision of facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age, infirmity or disability, financial hardship or social circumstances with the object of improving their conditions of life; provided that the advancement of such purposes must be undertaken in a manner that is consistent with the Doctrinal Distinctives and Ethical Statements as may be adopted and amended by the Church from time to time in accordance with the provisions of the Church Handbook.

All Stanley Park Evangelical Free Church services are open to anyone without restriction.

Fundraising

All funds are generated by a free will offering by church members. Included within our total income not generated in this way are:

Gift Aid £3,651 (2024 £nil)
Hall rental £175 (2024 £nil).

ANNUAL REPORT (continued)

Report for the six months to 30 September 2025 and plans for the future.

We hosted our ~~third~~ Holiday Bible Club as well as an Autumn Festival. Both of these were great events that brought people into the church that otherwise may not have done.

Holiday Bible Club again this year enjoyed the cooperation of both Cana and Oak Baptist Churches in Texas.

Our Girls' Brigade continues to grow – with significant numbers coming from the above events.

The Toddler group continues on as it has these many years. The numbers there have also been increasing slightly, and of course we are blessed to have a large group of staff that make this a great event each week.

The outreach team effort remains an indispensable part of our ministry here, particularly in terms of our long-term efforts to bring people to salvation in Jesus Christ.

New this year, is the addition of Cranfield Road to our outreach efforts. This is very exciting, and a great augmentation to the outreach on Stanley Road.

Looking ahead, we remain concerned that we seem unable to attract families – even as visitors. Again, the outreach efforts are among the best approaches to correcting this as well as events such as Holiday Bible Club and Autumn Festival. As yet, these efforts are admittedly disappointing. Additionally, concerns about our lack of boys mid-week ministry remain. At some point in the spring, we plan to resume our roundtable discussions in hopes of addressing such issues.

The two sessions we had this year were very helpful in addressing issues and considering solutions

We are grateful to those who participated and contributed.

Finally, we are grateful to all who gave their time and talents on Sunday mornings and throughout the week.

The trustees believe their efforts are critical to Stanley Park Church, and to the Gospel being heard in our community”

ANNUAL REPORT (continued)

Trustees' responsibilities

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 and Wales requires that the trustees must not approve the financial statements for each financial year unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the income and expenditure 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 business

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.

FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES



Ryan Thiessen
Chair of Trustees

Date 11th FEB 2026.....

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Stanley Park
Evangelical Free Church For the six months ended
30 September 2025**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Stanley Park Evangelical Free Church (the "Charity") for the six months ended 30 September 2025 set out on pages 9 to 14

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees 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 Charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the 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.

Independent examiner's statement

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 Act;
or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Report) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of 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 the Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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.


C Andrew Blackburn


Date

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED
30 SEPTEMBER 2025

		2025			2024		
	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted funds	Total	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
Total Income		<u>26,304</u>	<u>2,474</u>	<u>28,778</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Payments							
Charitable Expenditure		<u>12,137</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>12,137</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
General and Administration		<u>2,861</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,861</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Charitable Giving		<u>0</u>	<u>2,704</u>	<u>2,704</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Church Premises		<u>7,734</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>7,734</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Independent examination		0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Payments		<u>22,733</u>	<u>2,704</u>	<u>25,437</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
				0			0
Net incoming receipts/ (payments) for the financial period		3,571	(230)	3,341	0	0	0
Transfer from CUA 31 March 2025		65,528	230	65,758	0	0	0
Fund Balances as at 30 September 2025		<u>69,099</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>69,099</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

Monetary Assets	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Bank and cash balances			
Bank current account		4,397	0
Cash float		132	0
NS&I deposit account		51,013	0
Subsidiary Organisation's bank accounts		3,062	0
Subsidiary Organisation's cash funds		495	0
		<u>69,099</u>	<u>0</u>
Representing balances on the following Funds			
Unrestricted funds			
General Fund		6,542	0
Accommodation		58,419	0
Unallocated		581	0
Creditors		0	0
Subsidiary Organisations		3,557	0
		<u>69,099</u>	<u>0</u>
Missionary Fund		0	0
		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Funds		<u>69,099</u>	<u>0</u>
Non-Monetary Assets			
Held for church's own use			
Per insurance schedule	Buildings	836,021	
	Contents	57,282	
		<u>893,303</u>	

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 September 2025

1. Accounting policies

The charity is a CIO, limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales. The registered office is 130 Stanley Road Carshalton Surrey SM5 4LP

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the Receipts and Payments method.

The Charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. The accounts are prepared in pounds sterling rounded to the nearest pound.

b) Going Concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

c) Fund Accounting

The funds held by the charity are either:

- i. Restricted funds - defined as those used for specified purposes laid down by the donor, or where an appeal limits the use of the funds.
- ii. Unrestricted funds - representing donations and other incomes received for any of the purposes of the charity and are available for use.

d) Income

Donations and other income (including legacies) are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the charity has entitlement to the income.

e) Expenditure

All expenditure is on a payments basis, supported by authorized payment requests.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Governance costs are those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include accountants' fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity. These have been allocated directly to charitable expenditure.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 September 2025
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f) Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand are as listed in the balance sheet

g) Financial instruments

The charity only has financial assets and liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

2. Gift Aid

The Charity was advised on 11th July 2025 by HM Revenue & Customs that its application for recognition as a charity for tax purposes had been accepted, is therefore able to submit claims for Gift Aid. No provision was made in these accounts as at 30 September 2025 for gift aid recoverable on the basis of the sum being immaterial.

3. Remuneration and Expenses

None of the trustees or officers of the charity received any direct remuneration from the charity, except for Ryan Theissen as his role of pastor

4. Non Monetary

During the reporting period the church building was transferred from a trust held by The Fellowship of Independent Evangelical Churches for no monetary value to Stanley Park Free Evangelical Church CIO on 31st March 2025. To give a fair value of the assets the value used is equal to the insured value.