

Holbrooks Evangelical Church

Parkgate Road, Coventry, CV6 4GD

The Charity Trustees present their first report. We registered to become a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) on 2nd October 2024 and is recognised as such by the Inland Revenue for Tax Purposes. The Charity Commission Account is 1210304 and became 'live' on 1st December 2025.

Structure, Governance and Management

The Trustees of the Charity are currently:

Ben Holmes

Gary Brooker

Jonathan Tosh

Steven Foxwell

Stephen Cook

Andy White

In order to be appointed, Charity Trustees must:

- Be conformable to scriptural qualification (1 Timothy 3:8-13).
- Be in agreement with the doctrinal basis and objectives of Holbrooks Evangelical Church.
- Be nominated by the Church Eldership and submitted for spiritual witness and approval to the Church Leadership Team and to the Church congregation.

The Charity Trustees have legal and financial responsibility for the Charity, whilst the Church Elders have spiritual responsibility for the Church. Additionally, a Leadership Team provides advice and support in all areas of the Church's life and ministry.

The Trustees have regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit and confirm that all activities are undertaken for the benefit of the public.

The Charity employs one full-time paid member of staff (the Church Pastor/Elder), two part-time Cleaners plus one part time Administrator. Volunteers from the Church congregation, varying from time to time as needs arise, work alongside the Pastor to fulfil the Church's objectives.

The Trustees give regular consideration to the major risks to which the Charity may be exposed, including financial, regulatory, and legal, and are satisfied that such risks are adequately identified, monitored and controlled through policies, procedures and insurance arrangements.

The Church is an autonomous body following an historical independent tradition and does not belong to any denominational organisation. It is a local expression of the world-wide fellowship of believers in Jesus Christ. However, the church is a member of the Fellowship of Evangelical Churches (FIEC), existing to equip, support and care for churches and ministries.

Objectives and Activities

The main objectives of the Charity are summarised as:

- The advancement of the Christian faith and the worship of God. The proclamation and furtherance of the gospel of Christ. The preaching and teaching of the Word of God.
- The provision of pastoral care, counselling and support.
- The education of children and adults on the basis of Christian principles.

These objectives are met in accordance with the Charity's constitution and will be fulfilled in such ways and in such parts of the United Kingdom or elsewhere as the Trustees, Elders and Leadership from time to time may think fit.

The main activities of the Church to further its charitable objectives are:

- A weekly programme of Sunday worship, bi-monthly communion and family services.
- Regular meetings during the week for prayer, Bible study and fellowship, both at the church and at homes of individual members of the congregation.
- Special programmes for families, children, young people, those seeking to deepen their relationship with God and people from the Church and local community who want to meet for friendship and improve their wellbeing.
- Funerals, weddings, adult baptisms and baby dedications.

Social support and benevolent giving, both at home and abroad. The Church Elders and Leaders decide upon individuals and organisations that are to receive financial support out of the Charity's assets in support of the Charity's objectives.

Through these objectives and activities, the Charity's aim is to effectively serve the community for the benefit of the public. By upholding Christian values and beliefs, it is the Trustees' conviction that through these activities a positive impact into the community is being achieved for the good of all.

Current Ministries

- Sunday Morning and Evening services with the provision of live streaming for those unable to attend in person.
- Sunday School – This is a weekly ministry for children up to 12yrs old.
- Tuesday Afternoon Fellowship. Due to the start time of 1.45pm this ministries primarily attracts retired folks but all are welcome.
- Weekly Prayer Meeting and Bible Study - Open to all.
- 'Mums 'n' Tots - This is a weekly ministry for pre-school children and carers.
- Foodbank – In conjunction with Coventry Foodbank and Feed The Hungry, we are one of 15 centres that provide a safe and welcoming way for Foodbank parcels to be collected.
- Juniors - This is a weekly ministry for children up to 11yrs old.
- Youth - This is a weekly ministry for young people aged between 11yrs and 18yrs old.
- Coffee Morning – This a weekly ministry for anyone to attend. A relaxed opportunity to make new friends and chat over a hot drink and piece of cake.

We are currently running a 'Christianity 101' course primarily for new Christians or for those wanting to know more about the doctrines of the Church.

Financial Review

There are no material uncertainties about the ability of Holbrooks Evangelical Church to continue as a going concern.

We benefit from full ownership of our property and land in Parkgate Road, Holbrooks, Coventry, which continues to be used for the charity's main purposes. The Charity's funds have all been applied in accordance with its charitable objectives.

The principal source of funds is regular giving and one-off donations from members of the Church congregation. We are registered for Gift Aid, and where appropriate this is encouraged to maximise this source of income.

The Church only invests its cash reserves in deposits with UK banks. There are currently no outstanding debts.

A remuneration committee made up of Trustees and Leadership Team members (including the Treasurer) meet annually to consider the skills, experiences and competencies needed from our paid staff, so as to offer fair remuneration within our ability to pay, bearing in mind the charity's performance and staffs' performance against expectations, in both the short and long term.

FINANCIAL REPORT

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Registration to the Charity Commission was made on 2/10/24 but the account lay dormant due to a leadership restructure, causing long delays, until the transfer of assets was finally completed and the account was made 'live' on 1st December 2025 along with the opening of a new CIO bank account.

For the period 02/10/24 to 05/04/25

RECEIPTS - £	
One off Gifts	179040.32
Regular Donations	41587.75
Bank Interest	724.84
TOTAL	221352.91

EXPENDITURE - £	
Equipment and Consumables	1534.35
Insurance	1563.96
I.T.	1352.61
Licences	707.22
Building Maintenance	1630.16
Building Utilities	5469.54
Design and Print	332.00
Website	210.00
Mission – Children's Work	1271.06
Mission – Food	567.79
Mission – Visiting Ministry	314.75
Supported Missionaries	3460.00
Missionary Organisations	4181.00
Employment Costs	21113.55
Expenses – meetings/travel	397.50
Expenses - comms	270.00
TOTAL	44375.49

Responsibilities and Declaration of the Trustees

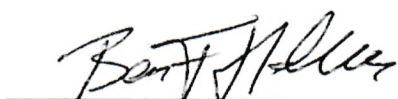
The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' report above.

The Trustees recognise their responsibility for the preparation of accounts for each financial year to give a true and fair view of the Charity's incoming resources and application of resources during the year and of its state of affairs at the end of the year, and for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity. The trustees have opted to prepare receipts and payments accounts as the church is a non-company charity with income less than £250,000.00

The Trustees also recognise their responsibility in safeguarding the assets of the Charity and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

To that end, the Trustees certify that the books, vouchers and information produced to enable the independent examination of the accounts to be conducted contain a full and correct record of the financial transactions and activities to the best of knowledge and belief.

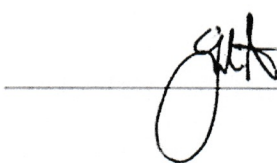
Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees:



Ben Holmes - Pastor



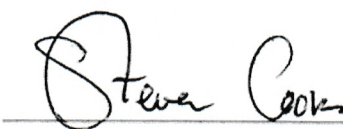
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