

**Company Number: CE039079**

**Charity Number: 1212087**

# **Hope Church Salford**

## **Annual Report and Financial Statements**

**For the Period Ended 30 September 2025**

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## Reference and administrative details

Registered Name:

Hope Church Salford

Charity number:

1212087

Company number:

CE039079

Registered Address:

7 Heath Close

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Science, Engineering & Environment Building

University of Salford

University Road

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Trustees:

William Allan (Chair)

Thomas Andrew Ritson (Trustee)

James McAlister (Treasurer)

## **Trustees' Report**

### **Governance**

The charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) and is governed by its Constitution (signed 9th December 2024). The charity is run by its Board of Trustees, which meets regularly. The appointment and removal of trustees is governed by the Constitution.

### **Objectives and Activities**

The objective of the charity (specified in the CIO Constitution) is:

To advance the Christian religion for the public benefit in Salford and such other parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the trustees may from time to time think fit, in accordance with the subordinate standard of faith as defined in the Book of Church Order of the International Presbyterian Church (BCO), in particular but not exclusively through Christian worship, Christian education, public celebration of religious festivals and pastoral outreach work.

The charity has been working towards this objective through the following public activities which seek to help and support Christians in their faith as well as guiding those people wanting to know more about the religion:

- Weekly Sunday Worship Services – providing access to Christian worship, education and community
- Weekly Prayer Meetings
- Monthly gatherings for food and fellowship
- Provision of Pastoral care
- Outreach

### **Achievements and performance**

The church was established and first gathered for worship on Sunday, 5th October 2025. Since then, we have welcomed between 25 and 30 people each week, with the congregation made up of roughly equal numbers of adults and children. It has been an encouraging start, with a strong sense of fellowship and shared purpose among those attending. We have had people from a variety of different ethnic and national backgrounds and have provided an AI translation for those who need it. We often have new people visiting us, some of whom have come back regularly.

The worship seeks to develop and encourage people's faith in and worship of the Triune God and also instruct them in how to live as a Christian. It involves readings from the Bible, singing, a short talk especially for children, prayers, a sermon and the Lord's Supper. After the service we have refreshments together to grow community and friendship. We have also started a monthly church lunch together after the Sunday service.

We meet in rooms rented from the University of Salford. These provide a suitable, clean and accessible venue for all. The rooms have wheelchair access and we provide larger print Bibles to help the visually impaired.

Alongside our Sunday services, prayer has been central to our life together. We hold weekly prayer meetings which is attended by 4-6 people. Ongoing pastoral care and visits have also been an important part of our ministry, ensuring that members of the congregation are supported, encouraged, and cared for.

We are part of the International Presbyterian Church denomination and maintain active interaction with the Presbytery, valuing both accountability and fellowship within the wider Christian community.

From the outset, we have sought to look outward as well as inward, engaging in local outreach and evangelism within the community. In December, we hosted a Children's Christmas Party on Saturday 20th, followed by a carol service on Sunday 21st. Both events were joyful occasions and provided meaningful opportunities to connect with families and visitors, while explaining the core beliefs of Christianity.

Funds have been raised from individual supporters and grant-making trusts and fundraising continues as part of the church's work.

### **Financial Review**

There were receipts in the year of £60,909 and expenditure of £22,534, leaving a surplus of £37,659.

The statement of assets and liabilities includes cash at bank (£37,659), assets held by the charity (Cost £2,005) and also identifies outstanding donations which had not yet been received from Trinity Church Aberdeen (£12,292).

### **Reserves Policy**

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds that have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level that is prudent to support similar activities in the future. The charity aims to have sufficient funds to cover three months of expenditure.

### **Plans for future periods**

The church seeks to continue to work towards its objective through Sunday public worship, smaller meetings, pastoral care and outreach. Depending on numbers, it hopes to develop its children's groups too.

## **Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities**

The charity trustees have complied with the duty in section 4 of the 2006 Act to have due regard to guidance on public benefit published by the Commission.

# Independent examiner's report on the accounts



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Section A

## Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Hope Church Salford

1212087

On accounts for the year  
ended

30<sup>th</sup>. September 2025

On  
accounts  
for the  
year  
ended

Set out on pages

One to ten.

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup>. September 2025.

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

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 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.

Signed:

*Alan A Clements*

Dated

*12th June 2026*

Name:

Alan A Clements Rev'd.

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

Fellow Association of Charity Independent Examiners

Address:

15 Carleton Road, Great Knowley, Chorley PR6 8TQ

## Statement of Financial Activities for the period ended 30 September 2025

Prepared on a Receipts and Payments Basis

Prepared for the period 11 February 2025 to 30 September 2025

### Section A Receipts and payments

|                                         | Unrestricted<br>funds | Restricted<br>funds | Total funds   | Last year |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------|-----------|
|                                         | £                     | £                   | £             | £         |
| <b>Receipts</b>                         |                       |                     |               |           |
| External donations, legacies and grants | 60,647                | -                   | 60,647        |           |
| Internal Giving                         | 262                   | -                   | 262           |           |
| <b>Total Receipts</b>                   | <b>60,909</b>         | <b>-</b>            | <b>60,909</b> |           |
| <b>Payments</b>                         |                       |                     |               |           |
| Administrative costs                    | 693                   | -                   | 693           |           |
| Manse                                   | 17,026                | -                   | 17,026        |           |
| Publicity                               | 1,035                 | -                   | 1,035         |           |
| Travel                                  | 92                    | -                   | 92            |           |
| PAYE                                    | 2,899                 | -                   | 2,899         |           |
| Building Rent                           | 587                   | -                   | 587           |           |
| Set Up inc Bibles                       | 194                   | -                   | 194           |           |
| Catering                                | 9                     | -                   | 9             |           |
| <b>Sub total</b>                        | <b>22,534</b>         | <b>-</b>            | <b>22,534</b> |           |
| <b>Asset purchases</b>                  |                       |                     |               |           |
| Printer                                 | 310                   | -                   | 310           |           |
| Bibles                                  | 325                   | -                   | 325           |           |
| Catering Equipment                      | 80                    | -                   | 80            |           |
| <b>Sub total</b>                        | <b>715</b>            | <b>-</b>            | <b>715</b>    |           |
| <b>Total payments</b>                   | <b>23,249</b>         | <b>-</b>            | <b>23,249</b> |           |
| <b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>       | <b>37,659</b>         | <b>-</b>            | <b>37,659</b> |           |
| Transfers between funds                 | -                     | -                   | -             |           |
| Cash funds last year end                | -                     | -                   | -             |           |
| <b>Cash funds this year end</b>         | <b>37,659</b>         | <b>-</b>            | <b>37,659</b> |           |



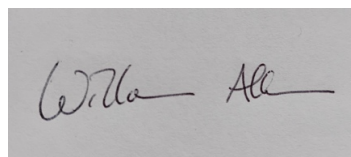
**Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period**

|                                          | Unrestricted funds<br>£ | Restricted funds<br>£ | Total funds<br>£ | Last year<br>£ |
|------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|----------------|
| <b>Cash</b>                              | <b>37,659</b>           | -                     | <b>37,659</b>    |                |
| Cash                                     | 37,659                  |                       |                  |                |
| <b>Debtors</b>                           | <b>12,292</b>           | -                     | <b>12,292</b>    |                |
| Money owed by Trinity Church<br>Aberdeen | 12,292                  |                       |                  |                |
| <b>Assets</b>                            | <b>2,005</b>            | -                     | <b>2,005</b>     |                |
| Printer                                  | 310                     |                       |                  |                |
| Bibles                                   | 325                     |                       |                  |                |
| Piano                                    | 750                     |                       |                  |                |
| Sound Equipment                          | 500                     |                       |                  |                |
| Catering Equipment                       | 120                     |                       |                  |                |
| <b>Total Assets</b>                      | <b>51,956</b>           | -                     | <b>51,956</b>    |                |
| <b>Liabilities</b>                       | -                       | -                     | -                |                |
| Liabilities                              | -                       | -                     | -                |                |
| <b>Total Liabilities</b>                 | -                       | -                     | -                |                |

There have been and continue to be no guarantees given by the CIO, such that there are no potential liabilities outstanding at the date of the statement of assets and liabilities.

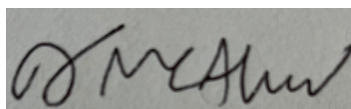
There has been and continues to be no debt taken out by the CIO, such that there are no potential liabilities outstanding at the date of the statement of assets and liabilities.

Approved by the Trustees and Signed on behalf of all the Trustees



**William Allan, Chairman**

**Date Approved: 8 June 2026**



**James McAlister, Treasurer**

**Date Approved: 5 June 2026**