

CHRIST CHURCH BURIAL GROUND, SWINDON

England & Wales · Charity number 283082

Details

Other names CHRIST CHURCH BURIAL GROUND TRUSTEES

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1981-08-27

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

Contact

Address The Parish Office
Community Centre at Christ Church
Cricklade Street
Swindon
SN1 3HB

Phone 01793522832

Email burialboard@christchurchswindon.co.uk

Website www.christchurchswindon.co.uk

Activities

Objects: TO BE USED AND APPROPRIATED AS A BURIAL GROUND OR PLACE OF INTERNMENT FOR THE DEAD.

Activities: THE PROVISION OF A SACRED SPACE AS A BURIAL GROUND OR PLACE OF INTERNMENT OF THE DEAD - PERMITTING PUBLIC AND PRIVATE REMEMBRANCE-OPEN TO ALL.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** PARISH OF CHRIST CHURCH SWINDON
- Swindon
- Wiltshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-06-30	£38,961	£38,601	-	-
2024-06-30	£30,923	£39,007	-	-
2023-06-30	£30,687	£31,741	-	-
2022-06-30	£23,320	£30,625	-	-
2021-06-30	£28,854	£31,823	-	-
2020-06-30	£21,521	£28,122	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev SIMON MELVILLE STEVENETTE	Chair	
ANGELA WIRDNAM		
Alison Ingram		2015-12-15
Janet French Miss		2023-05-01
Lyn Eggers		2018-05-22

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Trustees' annual report for the period



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

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Charity name christ church Burial Ground Swindon Charity No (if any) 283082
Period start date

Objectives and Activities

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Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To be used and appropriated as a burial ground or place of interment for the dead
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 provision of a sacred space as a burial ground or place of interment of the dead, permitting public and private remembrance, open to all.
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 paid due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in deciding what activities the charity should undertake. The Trustees consider that they have acted in the 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	We receive the support of the local Community Pay Back Service for which we donate a sum towards their costs.
Other		

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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	<p>Continue to provide a beautiful church burial ground for the Swindon community to bury the dead or inter their loved one's ashes. In addition to employing a Sexton the Community Service pay back team support us.</p> <p>Continue to maintain the burial ground as a place of reflection and peaceful enjoyment for all those who visit their loved ones and visit Christ Church.</p> <p>We recognise the challenges of a sloping burial ground on the top of a hill overlooking Swindon. We continue to take Health and Safety very seriously and do all we can to look after the hundreds of mourners who have visited us over the last year.</p> <p>The Burial Board works closely with Christ Church PCC in providing a car park, a beautiful redeveloped Victorian church building and Garden for Reflection which is widely appreciated during these unprecedented times.</p> <p>The Trustees to the Burial Ground work closely with Christ Church in the running of the Burial Ground which includes a service level agreement with the PCC of Christ Church with St Marys in the management and maintenance of the site and line management of the sexton. This Agreement commenced on 1 September 2023.</p>

Additional information (optional)

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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		

	SORP reference	
Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Total funds at 30 June 2025 were: £309574.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Over the years, the Christ Church Burial Board have built up and held reserves intentionally. This enables them to continue to employ a sexton to look after the burial ground and enable graves to be reopened for the interment of a spouse when the burial ground is full which is likely in a couple of years. Due to declining income and rising costs, these reserves are regularly drawn from.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Total funds as at 30 June 2025 were: £309574.
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	

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Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	283082
Charity's principal address	The Parish Office Community Centre @ Christ Church Cricklade Street Old Town Swindon SN1 3HB

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

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Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted If not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
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Angela Wirdnam			
Lyn Eggers	Clerk		
Alison Keenan			
Janet French			

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Reference and Administrative details	(cont)
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

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

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

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Signature(s) A.M. Keenan .

Full name(s) Alison MAY Keenan.

Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc) Trustee

Date 22nd April 2026 .

CHRIST CHURCH BURIAL GROUND
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

	Note	Total unrestricted funds	
		2025	2024
		£	£
RECEIPTS:			
Grant of Burial		4,015	7,674
Interment		5,062	8,960
Interment of Ashes		1,398	1,608
Memorials		2,644	2,312
Inscriptions		564	586
Sundry		299	1,050
Proceeds from Sale of Investments (CBF Fixed Interest Income shares)		16,000	0
Interest - Lloyds Savings Account		0	0
Interest - CBF Deposit Account		274	240
Dividends - CBF Investment Fund		7,765	7,620
Dividends - CBF Fixed Interest Securities Fund		941	873
		38,961	30,923
PAYMENTS:			
Administration			
Sexton (Salary; Income Tax & National Insurance)		27,640	23,852
Payroll Fees	1	426	402
Accountants Fees	1	870	810
Insurance		668	634
Honorarium		350	350
General			
Grave Digging		350	0
Petrol & Oil		472	737
Sundry Materials		0	1,143
Equipment		602	1,901
Maintenance		1,540	3,741
Mileage		0	107
Sundries		865	897
Tree Pollarding		0	1,320
PCC Office		4,681	2,500
Refunds		0	298
Repairs		138	106
Graveyard Survey		0	210
		38,601	39,007
Surplus / (Deficit) for year		360	(8,084)
CBF Investments-unrealised gains/(losses)			
On CBF Fixed Interest Securities Fund Income Shares (F)		1,314	1,848
On CBF Investment Fund Income Shares (S)		(12,464)	22,861
Net Gain / -Loss for the year		(11,150)	24,709
Purchases / (Disposals) during year			
On CBF Fixed Interest Securities Fund Income Shares (F)		(16,000)	0
On CBF Investment Fund Income Shares (S)		0	0
Total Movement		(26,791)	16,625

Note 1: In the 2024 comparative accounts the split between Payroll Fees/Accountants Fees has been corrected from £1,212/£0 to £402/£810.

CHRIST CHURCH BURIAL GROUND
 ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025
 BALANCE SHEET AT 30 JUNE 2025

	2025	2024
	£	£
Opening Balance as at 1st July 2024	336,365	319,740
Gain / (Loss) for the year	- 26,791	16,625
Burial Board general fund as at 30th June 2025	309,574	336,365
<u>Represented by</u>		
Lloyds Treasurers Account	2,509	4,129
Lloyds Instant Access Account	7	7
CBF Fixed Interest Securities Fund Income Shares (F)	25,107	39,793
CBF Investment Fund Income Shares (S)	272,831	285,295
CBF Deposit Fund (D)	9,120	7,141
Total unrestricted funds	309,574	336,365

Approved by The Trustees on 18 April 2026

S. J. Jones
 Deputy Chair / Trustee
 Trustee
A. M. Keenan

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Trustees of Christ Church Burial Ground

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 30 June 2025 which are set out on the Statement of Financial Activities (receipts and payments) and the Balance Sheet.

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 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 material 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

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.



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Chartered Accountants
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Wiltshire
SN2 2GA

Date: 30 April 2026

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Trustees' annual report for the period



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

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Charity No
(if any)

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Period start date

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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

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

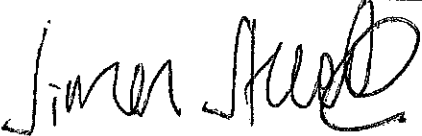
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Other optional information

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees



Signature(s)	
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Full name(s)	
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Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair
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Date	26 April 2026 .
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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Trustees of Christ Church Burlal Ground

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 30 June 2024 which are set out on pages 1 to 2.

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 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.

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Date 29.04.25

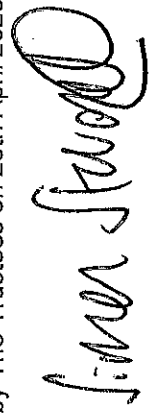
CHRIST CHURCH BURIAL GROUND
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

	Total unrestricted funds	
	2024	2023
	£	£
<u>INCOME:</u>		
Grant of Burial	7,674	6,799
Interment	8,960	8,080
Interment of Ashes	1,608	2,380
Memorials	2,312	1,954
Inscriptions	586	1,740
War Graves Commission	-	85
Sundry	1,050	50
Received in error	-	564
Interest - Lloyds Savings Account	0	-
Interest - CBF Deposit Account	240	508
Dividends - CBF Investment Fund	7,620	7,578
Dividends - CBF Fixed Interest Securities Fund	873	950
	30,923	30,688
<u>EXPENDITURE:</u>		
<u>Administration</u>		
Sexton (Salary; Income Tax & National Insurance)	23,852	19,954
Payroll Fees	1,212	432
Accountants Fees	-	960
Insurance	634	634
Honorarium	350	350
<u>General</u>		
Grave Digging	-	-
Petrol & Oil	737	560
Sundry Materials	1,143	78
Almshouse Electricity usage	-	-
Equipment	1,901	274
Maintenance	3,741	3,440
Mileage	107	45
Sundries	897	173
Tree Pollarding	1,320	-
PCC Office	2,500	2,500
Refunds	298	564
Repairs	106	115
Graveyard Survey	210	1,662
	39,007	31,741
Deficit for year	- 8,084	- 1,053
CBF Investments-unrealised gains/-losses		
On CBF Fixed Interest Securities Fund Income Shares (F)	1,848	22
On CBF Investment Fund Income Shares (S)	22,861	8,175
Net Gain / -Loss for the year	24,709	8,197
Total Movement	16,625	7,144

CHRIST CHURCH BURIAL GROUND
 ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024
 BALANCE SHEET AT 30 JUNE 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
Opening Balance as at 1st July 2023	319,740	312,596
Gain / -Loss for the year	16,625	7,144
Burial Board general fund as at 30th June 2024	336,365	319,740
<u>Represented by</u>		
Lloyds Treasurers Account	4,129	6,446
Lloyds Instant Access Account	7	7
CBF Fixed Interest Securities Fund Income Shares (F)	39,793	37,945
CBF Investment Fund Income Shares (S)	285,295	262,434
CBF Deposit Fund (D)	7,141	12,908
Total unrestricted funds	336,365	319,740

Approved by The Trustees on 26th April 2025 and signed on their behalf by



Trustee



Trustee

CHRIST CHURCH BURIAL GROUND, SWINDON

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Trustees' annual report for the period



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Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Charity name	Christ Church Burial Ground, Swindon
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	283082
Charity's principal address	The Parish Office Community Centre @ Christ Church Cricklade Street Old Town Swindon SN1 3HB

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

Reference and Administrative details**(cont)**

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

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

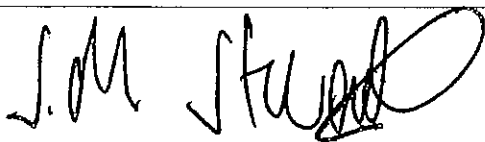
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Other optional information

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

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Trustees of Christ Church Buryal Ground

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 30 June 2023 which are set out on pages 1 to 2.

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 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 material 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

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.



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Date 30 April 2024


CHRIST CHURCH BURIAL GROUND
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS


	Total unrestricted funds	
	2023	2022
	£	£
<u>INCOME:</u>		
Grant of Burial	6,799	2,473
Interment	8,080	5,700
Interment of Ashes	2,380	1,981
Memorials	1,954	2,470
Inscriptions	1,740	1,308
War Graves Commission	85	85
Sundry	50	675
Received in error	564	-
Interest - CBF Investment Fund	508	56
Dividends - CBF Fixed Interest Securities Fund	7,578	7,426
Dividends - CBF Fixed Interest Securities Fund	950	1,146
	30,687	23,320
<u>EXPENDITURE:</u>		
<u>Administration.</u>		
Sexton (Salary; Income Tax & National Insurance)	19,954	19,603
Payroll Fees	432	354
Accountants Fees	960	840
Insurance	634	546
Honorarium	350	300
<u>General</u>		
Petrol & Oil	560	313
Sundry Materials	78	309
Almshouse Electricity usage	-	166
Equipment	274	672
Maintenance	3,440	2,996
Mileage	45	23
Sundries	173	42
Tree Pollarding	-	1,800
PCC Office	2,500	2,500
Refunds	564	162
Repairs	115	-
Graveyard Survey	1,662	-
	31,741	30,625
Deficit for year	- 1,053	- 7,305
CBF Investments-unrealised gains/-losses		
On CBF Fixed Interest Securities Fund Income Shares (F)	22.02	- 6,234
On CBF Investment Fund Income Shares (S)	8,175.31	- 13,681
Net Gain / -Loss for the year	8,197.33	- 19,915
Total Movement	7,144	- 27,220

CHRIST CHURCH BURIAL GROUND
 ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023
 BALANCE SHEET AT 30 JUNE 2023

	2023		2022	
	£	£	£	£
Opening Balance as at 1st July 2022	312,588		339,808	
Gain / -Loss for the year	7,144		- 27,220	
Burial Board general fund as at 30th June 2023		319,732		312,588
 <u>Represented by</u>				
Lloyds TSB Treasurers Account	6,446		7,535	
CBF Fixed Interest Securities Fund Income Shares (F)	37,945		37,923	
CBF Investment Fund Income Shares (S)	262,434		254,259	
CBF Deposit Fund (D)	12,908		12,871	
Total unrestricted funds		319,733		312,588

Approved by The Trustees on

Trustee 

Trustee 

CHRIST CHURCH BURIAL GROUND, SWINDON

England & Wales - Charity number 283082

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01 July 2020 Period start date

To 30 June 2021 Period end date

Charity name: Christ Church Burial Ground, Swindon, Wiltshire

Charity registration number: 283082

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To be used and appropriated as a burial ground or place of interment for the dead.
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 provision of a sacred space as a burial ground or place of interment of the dead, permitting public and private remembrance, open to all.
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 paid due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in deciding what activities the charity should undertake. The Trustees consider that they have acted in the 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	

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	<p>Continue to provide a beautiful church burial ground for the Swindon community to bury the dead or inter their loved one's ashes. In addition to employing a sexton, the Burial Board have also paid for two professional gardeners to help with the challenge of looking after and maintaining the grounds with as much care as possible. The Community Service pay back team were able to support us during the majority of the year, apart from when we were in lockdown.</p> <p>Continue to maintain the burial ground as a place of reflection and peaceful enjoyment for all those who visit their loved ones and visit Christ Church.</p> <p>We recognise the challenges of a sloping burial ground on the top of a hill overlooking Swindon. We continue to take Health and Safety very seriously and do all we can to look after the hundreds of mourners who have visited us over the last year.</p> <p>The Burial Board works closely with Christ Church PCC in providing a car park, a beautiful redeveloped Victorian church building opening following government guidelines during the pandemic. The Garden for Reflection built together is widely appreciated especially during these unprecedented times.</p> <p>The Christ Church Burial Board have, over the last year, worked hard developing our relationship with the Christ Church PCC. We have considered how we can work together even more closely for the benefit of bereaved people and our many visitors.</p> <p>In June, the Burial Board Trustees voted unanimously that it was now the right time for us to ask the Christ Church PCC to enter a period of due diligence regarding the potential merger of our two charities. The Christ Church PCC understand that the Burial Board Trustees need extra help and are looking into the possibilities regarding either linking our charities or</p>

		<p>merging our charities completely with Christ Church PCC taking over full responsibility. Various meetings have taken place and practical and possible legal advice is being sought from the Bristol Diocesan Chancellor's Department, The Diocesan Advisory Council and the Archdeacon of Malmesbury, the Ven Christopher Bryan. The major concern for both charities is how we can best together serve the needs of bereaved people now and in the future, building on the solid work which has been done in the past.</p>
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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	Total funds @30 June 2021 were: £339,808.00
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Over the years, Christ Church Burial Board have built up and held reserves intentionally. This enables them to continue to employ a sexton to look after the burial ground and enable graves to be reopened for the interment of a spouse when the burial ground is full which is likely in a couple of years.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Total funds @ 30 June 2021 £339,808.00
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	

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	
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	Indenture dated 17 February 1909.
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Unincorporated.
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	The Burial Board and Christ Church PCC work closely together to maintain the site inclusively for the benefit of the people of Swindon. The Vicar is ex-officio Chairman. The Trustees consist of members of the church with their professional skills and their understanding of the pastoral needs of the bereaved in mind.

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		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Christ Church Burial Ground, Swindon, Wiltshire.
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	23082
Charity's principal address	The Parish Office Community Centre @ Christ Church Cricklade Street Old Town Swindon Wiltshire SN1 3HB

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	A Sharpe			
2	L Eggers			
3	Rev S Stevenette			
4	P Bridgeman			
5	B Abborow			
6	H Fitzmaurice			
7	A Widdham			
8	A Ingran			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

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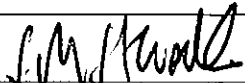
Other optional information

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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)	SIMON STEVENETTE	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	6 April 2022	

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Trustees of Christ Church Burial Ground

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Date 25 April 2022

**CHRIST CHURCH BURIAL GROUND
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS**

	2021	2020
		£
INCOME:		
Grant of Burial	8,580	2,575
Interment	7,409	5,165
Interment of Ashes	1,118	1,240
Memorials	1,194	2,101
Inscriptions	1,784	1,380
War Graves Commission	86	85
Sundries	143	-
Interest - Lloyds TSB 30 Day Account	-	177
Interest - CBF Investment Fund (F)	27	178
Dividends - CBF Fixed Interest Securities Fund (S)	7,182	8,934
Dividends - CBF Fixed Interest Securities Fund	1,351	1,708
	28,854	21,521
EXPENDITURE:		
<u>Administration</u>		
Sexton (Salary; National Insurance; Employers Pension)	18,843	17,002
Payroll fees	348	348
Accountants Fees	782	878
Insurance	587	540
Honorarium	-	350
<u>General</u>		
Grave Digging	325	475
Repairs	-	205
Petrol & Oil	188	150
Sundry Materials	189	318
Almsouse Electricity usage	591	586
Equipment	1,085	-
Maintenance	3,418	4,142
Mileage	142	24
Tree Felling	877	-
Sundries	1,900	808
PCC Office	2,500	2,500
	31,823	28,122
Deficit for year	- 2,970	6,601
CBF Investments-unrealised gains/losses		
On CBF Fixed Interest Securities Fund Income Shares (F)	- 1,944	1,335
On CBF Investment Fund Income Shares (S)	34,171	9,228
Net Gain / -Loss for the year	32,227	10,562
Total Movement	29,257	3,962

**CHRIST CHURCH BURIAL GROUND
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT 30 JUNE 2021**

	2021	2020
	£	£
Opening Balance as at 1st July 2020	310,551	306,589
Gain / (Loss) for the year	29,257	3,962
Burial Board general fund as at 30th June 2021	339,808	310,551
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Represented by		
Lloyds TSB Treasurers Account	7,467	18,998
Lloyds TSB 30 Day Account	-	-
Cash	-	-
CBF Fixed Interest Securities Fund Income Shares (F)	44,158	46,101
CBF Investment Fund Income Shares (S)	267,940	233,769
CBF Deposit Fund (D)	20,243	11,683
Less Sundry Creditors		
	339,808	310,551

Approved by The Trustees on *6th April* 2022 and signed on their behalf by

[Handwritten Signature]
Trustee

Trustee *A. Sharpe*