

Dartford Community Church (operating as River Church UK)

Report and Accounts
Year ended 31 August 2024

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**DARTFORD COMMUNITY CHURCH
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**CHARITY INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024**

Trustees	A Morosini J Elsdon (resigned 16 January 2024) D Hall O M Ajala (appointed 16 January 2024)
Key Staff	Ian Travers Quinton Handscomb
Governing Document	Declaration of Trust dated June 1986, amended August 2006 and September 2006.
Charity Registration Number	295022
Working name	River Church UK
Principal Address	224 Shepherds Lane Dartford DA1 2PW
Independent Examiner	Ajay Rajani FCIE Stewardship 1 Lamb's Passage London EC1Y 8AB
Bankers	Barclays Bank plc Co-operative Bank plc

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
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The trustees have pleasure in submitting the Report and Accounts for the year.

Objects of the charity

The objects of the charity, as set out in its governing document are:

- a) to further religious or secular education
- b) to advance the Christian faith in the United Kingdom or overseas
- c) encourage missionary activity designed to spread the Christian faith
- d) the relief and comfort of the poor, the needy, the sick and aged

The Trust seeks to demonstrate Christian faith by living out authentic church life in Dartford and further afield. The following five values guide the Church:

1. Pursuing:

To encounter God's presence through the Bible, devoted prayer, and Spirit-filled worship.

2. Belonging

To ensure our activities help everyone to feel at home with us, wherever they're from, whatever their background, leading to a church family that reflects the love of God through the rich diversity of our community.

3. Serving:

To include in our programme commitments to helping those around us in the church and the wider community.

4. Reaching:

To use our resources to broadcast the Gospel: we want everyone to know there's a Saviour that loves them.

5. Restoring:

To apply Jesus' love, forgiveness, acceptance and grace to bring hope that saves, heals and restores people.

Review of activities

From September 2023 to August 2024, we have made opportunities for people to experience the love of God and respond to the Gospel message through our regular Sunday meetings, a variety of mid-week meetings, other special events as well as welcoming new people into membership of the church.

We are encouraged that our church membership continues to reflect the broader community. With a diverse formal membership of 211, we saw an increase of 36 members. The highest attendance, based on a rolling 10-week average, was recorded in June 2024, with 239 attendees, including 27 visitors.

In collaboration with other Dartford churches, we supported the Foodbank initiative by staffing the centre, collecting essential supplies, and contributing financial aid.

As members of the Catalyst family of churches, we participated in their ministry by attending conferences, supporting pastoral visits to overseas workers, and contributing regular financial support to projects both in the UK and globally.

In October 2023 the church changed its operating name from "Dartford Community Church" to "River Church UK" and the Charity Commission was notified of our new working name on 13th October 2023. This change was publicly implemented on 29th October 2023 through updates to the website, printed materials, and subsequently on bank accounts and other documents.

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Review of activities continued

Plans were developed to launch Sunday services in Gravesend starting in September 2024. These afternoon meetings build upon the bi-monthly informal gatherings that had been running successfully for some time.

Specific activities of note are:

- November 2023: In the three weeks leading up to Christmas 2023, the church leased an empty shop in Gravesend to host "The Harbour," a drop-in centre open on Saturdays and Tuesdays. It welcomed 450 visitors, ranging in age from 8 to 93 years, supported by over 60 volunteers. A fixed-term part-time position was established to manage the initiative.
- December 2023: We supported the AMEN charity through the Christmas Shoebox appeal for Romania.
- December 2023: Alongside "The Harbour," we launched an initiative called "The Feast," distributing 261 Christmas hampers to families with school children receiving pupil premium, reaching almost 1,200 people. This project was funded by local churches and businesses.
- January 2024: Our Youth Pastor, accompanied by 27 young people, attended a Youth Weekend Away.

In planning the activities the Trustees have applied the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

Structure, Governance and Management

Responsibility for setting policy and for making operating decisions rest with the trustees who meet regularly to monitor the activities of the charity. New trustees are recruited and appointed by the existing trustees.

Financial review

The members of the church have continued to support the work of the church generously.

During the year fell by £7,748 to £328,413, and expenditure increased by £10,346 to £324,185. As a result the charity has reported a surplus of £4,228 (2023: £22,322) and the charity's net assets have increased by this amount to £411,453. Net assets comprised tangible fixed assets of £171,298 (represented mainly by a church building), cash of £246,427 (of which £911 is restricted) less other net current liabilities of £6,272.

The Trustees are confident that charity can continue operating for the next 12 months.

Reserves policy

The Board of Trustees have set a policy of retaining reserves sufficient for the foreseeable needs of the Church. Specific amounts are set aside to meet normal costs for up to twelve months of the level of committed expenditure over guaranteed income. In the next period, the Trustees will form a long term plan to assign the additional reserves that have recently built up to further grow the objectives of the charity. This will include additional staff to run the children's work, sponsoring an student year placement in the church and continued investment in audio visual equipment.

Key risks and uncertainties

The charity is exposed to various risks - be they operational, financial or reputational. The trustees review the charity's activities regularly to identify significant risks and, where possible, they take appropriate measures to mitigate those risks.

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Responsibilities of trustees under charity law

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).

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charity as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial year. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

1. select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
2. observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
3. make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
4. state whether the applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
5. prepare the financial statements on a 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 and the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. 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.

Approval

This report was approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

A. Morosini

A. Morosini (Jun 18, 2025 20:18 GMT+1)

A. MOROSINI, CHAIR OF TRUSTEES

Date: Jun 18, 2025

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF
DARTFORD COMMUNITY CHURCH
(OPERATING AS RIVER CHURCH UK)
('the Charity')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 August 2024 on pages 6 to 15 following, which have been prepared on the basis of the accounting policies set out on pages 8 and 9.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's 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 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

Since the Charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a Fellow of the Association of Charity Independent Examiners, which is one of the listed bodies.

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:

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 Reports) 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.

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.

Ajay Rajani

Ajay Rajani (Jun 19, 2025 06:47 GMT+1)

Ajay Rajani FCIE
Fellow of the Association of Charity Independent Examiners
Stewardship
1 Lamb's Passage
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Date: Jun 19, 2025

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Donations and legacies	3	313,672	9,961	323,633	318,485
Charitable activities	4	2,677	-	2,677	16,796
Investments	5	2,104	-	2,104	881
Total income and endowments		318,453	9,961	328,413	336,161
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Charitable activities	6	299,927	24,259	324,185	313,839
Total expenditure		299,927	24,259	324,185	313,839
Net income/(expenditure)		18,526	(14,298)	4,228	22,322
Transfers between funds	13	(12,048)	12,048	-	-
Net movement in funds		6,478	(2,250)	4,228	22,322
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		404,064	3,161	407,225	384,903
Total funds carried forward	13	410,542	911	411,453	407,225

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing operations.

The notes on pages 8 to 15 form part of these accounts.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 AUGUST 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	8	171,298	-	171,298	164,131
		<u>171,298</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>171,298</u>	<u>164,131</u>
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	10,956	-	10,956	4,422
Cash at bank and in hand	10	245,516	911	246,427	252,369
		256,472	911	257,383	256,791
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	11	(17,227)	-	(17,227)	(13,697)
		<u>239,244</u>	<u>911</u>	<u>240,155</u>	<u>243,094</u>
Net current assets / (liabilities)					
		<u>239,244</u>	<u>911</u>	<u>240,155</u>	<u>243,094</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS		<u>410,542</u>	<u>911</u>	<u>411,453</u>	<u>407,225</u>
FUND BALANCES					
Unrestricted Funds	13				
General funds		410,542	-	410,542	404,064
Restricted Funds		-	911	911	3,161
		<u>410,542</u>	<u>911</u>	<u>411,453</u>	<u>407,225</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and were signed on its behalf by:

A. Morosini
A. Morosini (Jun 18, 2025 20:18 GMT+1)

A. MOROSINI, CHAIR OF TRUSTEES

Jun 18, 2025

Date

Charity number: 295022

The notes on pages 8 to 15 form part of these accounts.

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**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024**

1 Statutory Information

The charity is a Trust registered with the Charity Commission in England & Wales. The charity's registered number and principal address can be found on the Charity Information page.

2 Accounting Policies

These financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis, under the historical cost convention.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the "Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) ("the Charities SORP"), with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland ("FRS 102") and with the Charities Act 2011. The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as set out in FRS 102.

The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 (the '2008 Regulations') requires charities to prepare their accounts in accordance with 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005' but this accounting standard has since been withdrawn and has been replaced by the Charities SORP mentioned in the preceding paragraph. The charity has prepared these financial statements in accordance with the new Charities SORP; this departure from the 2008 Regulations is believed to be necessary for these financial statements to give a 'true and fair view'.

The principles adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below.

a) Going concern

The trustees have assessed whether the use of the going concern basis is appropriate and have considered possible events or conditions that might cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The trustees have made this assessment for a period of at least one year from the date of approval of the financial statements. In particular the trustees have considered the charity's forecasts and projections and the possible implications should projected income and / or expenditure vary unexpectedly. The trustees have concluded that there is a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue to operate for the foreseeable future. The charity therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

b) Income

Income including investment income is recognised in the period in which the charity becomes entitled to receipt, the amount receivable can be measured with reasonable certainty, and receipt is probable. For the most part, income is generally recognised when it is received. Income is only deferred when the charity has to fulfil conditions before becoming entitled to it or where the donor has specified that the income is to be expended in a future period.

Income from donations and legacies includes:

- i) Recoverable gift aid. This is recognised when the related donation is received. Gift aid that has not been recovered by the balance sheet date is included as a debtor.
- ii) Donated facilities, services and goods. Goods donated for distribution to beneficiaries are recognised as income when receivable at fair value (being an estimate of the amount it would cost to purchase those items). Facilities, services and goods donated for the charity's own use are recognised as income when receivable at their value to the charity.

When donated goods, services and facilities are distributed or consumed, an expense in respect of those items is included in the Statement of Financial Activities. At the year end any goods that have not been distributed or consumed are recognised as stock; donated fixed assets are capitalised.

The charity relies on volunteers to carry out many of its activities. However, in accordance with the SORP, the value of these services has not been included in these financial statements as they cannot be reliably measured.

Income from charitable activities represents income receivable from goods, services and facilities supplied in furtherance of the charity's charitable objects. It includes income from church retreats and other events and courses.

Investment income represents income generated by the charity's assets and includes income from bank interest.

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2 Accounting Policies (continued)

c) Expenditure

Expenditure, including irrecoverable VAT, is recognised when it is incurred or, if earlier, when a legal or constructive obligation for a payment arises provided that it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

The charity makes grants to other institutions and individuals to further its charitable objectives. Grants payable are recognised as constructive obligations arise, which is generally when the charity expresses a commitment to the recipient that can be measured reliably and then only to the extent that any conditions associated with the grant are outside of the control of the charity.

The cost of raising funds is not significant and has not been separately disclosed.

Governance costs, which are included in expenditure on charitable activities but are identified separately in the notes to the accounts, includes costs associated with the independent examination of the financial statements, compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements and any other expenditure incurred on the strategic management of the charity.

d) Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. Restricted funds are donations which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors; they include donations received from appeals for specific activities or projects.

e) Tangible fixed assets

Items purchased or donated for the charity's own use are capitalised when the cost of purchased items, or the fair value of donated items, is more than £1,000 and the item is expected to benefit the charity over more than one accounting period. Depreciation is charged on a straight line basis so as to write down the value of each asset to its estimated residual value (if any) over its expected useful economic life. To achieve this objective the following rates of depreciation are charged:

Freehold land	Is not depreciated (because it is not consumed by use)
Freehold buildings	Is not depreciated (because it is maintained to a high standard)
Equipment	Over 4 years

The carrying values of tangible fixed assets are reviewed for impairment in periods when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable.

f) Pension scheme arrangements

The charity operates defined contribution pension schemes for its employees. Obligations for contributions to these schemes are recognised as an expense when the liability arises. The assets of these schemes are held separately from those of the charity in independently administered funds.

g) Taxation

The charity has taken advantage of the various reliefs from taxation available to charities and no tax is payable on the charity's income.

h) Financial instruments

The charity's financial assets and financial liabilities all qualify as basic financial instruments, as defined by FRS102. Except for loans, creditors and debtors are measured at their expected settlement value (normally the amount of cash that the charity expects to pay or receive). The charity recognises liabilities for the principal of those loans that remains outstanding at the year end (i.e. the liabilities exclude any interest chargeable on the loans in future years).

i) Exemption from preparing a cashflow statement

The charity has taken advantage of an exemption conferred by the Charities SORP and has not prepared a cash flow statement.

j) Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgement

The trustees do not consider that there are any material sources of estimation or uncertainty at the balance sheet date that could result in a material adjustment to the carrying values of assets and liabilities in the next reporting period.

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3 Donations and legacies

	2024	2023
	£	£
Donations of cash and similar	273,668	270,539
Donations in kind (see below)	230	3,500
Gift aid recoverable	49,734	44,446
	<u>323,633</u>	<u>318,485</u>

Donations in kind comprise:

Goods donated for:		
Distribution to Ukraine refugees in Poland	-	3,500
Distribution via the Harbour/Feast initiative	230	3,500
	<u>230</u>	<u>3,500</u>

4 Income from charitable activities

	2024	2023
	£	£
Income from events	<u>2,677</u>	<u>16,796</u>

5 Investment income

	2024	2023
	£	£
Bank interest	<u>2,104</u>	<u>881</u>
	<u>2,104</u>	<u>881</u>

6 Charitable expenditure

	2024	2023
	£	£
a Costs incurred directly on specific activities		
Employment costs	185,095	155,487
Staff expenses	8,097	8,042
Ministry costs	18,521	32,484
Rent and maintenance	19,544	17,847
Utilities	2,953	2,324
Conferences and training	6,170	4,778
Equipment	12,272	8,762
Harbour and Feast project	20,009	-
Event expenses	8,568	30,541
Supply trips to Poland to support Ukrainian refugees	-	3,825
Congregational & volunteer thank you gifts	1,110	1,693
	<u>282,338</u>	<u>265,782</u>
Grants payable (note 6c)	21,602	32,521
	<u>303,940</u>	<u>298,304</u>

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6 Charitable expenditure continued

	2024 £	2023 £
b Costs incurred on support & administration		
Governance costs	3,300	3,180
Professional fees	6,254	4,644
Insurance	1,190	1,158
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	5,499	3,427
Other administrative expenses	4,002	3,126
	<u>20,245</u>	<u>15,536</u>
Total expenditure	<u>324,185</u>	<u>313,839</u>

Governance costs comprise the fee payable to the independent examiner for preparing and examining the accounts, which was £3,300 (2023: £3,180).

c Grants payable

	Institutions £	Individuals £	2024 £
Grants for UK and overseas mission	9,062	6,200	15,262
Grants for the relief of poverty	4,090	2,250	6,340
	<u>13,152</u>	<u>8,450</u>	<u>21,602</u>

The comparatives for the previous year are as follows:

	Institutions £	Individuals £	2023 £
Grants for UK and overseas mission	13,730	7,500	21,230
Grants for the relief of poverty	3,540	7,751	11,291
	<u>17,270</u>	<u>15,251</u>	<u>32,521</u>

The charity's principal grants to institutions comprised:

	2024 £	2023 £
Catalyst Network	6,000	6,000
Catalyst Network - Earthquake Appeal	-	5,000
Light of Dawn	-	2,500
Dartford Foodbank	2,000	2,100
STEPS Global	1,710	-
Gravesham Foodbank	1,000	-
Gravesham Sanctuary	1,000	-
King's Church Uckfield	-	1,000
Grants to institutions for less than £1,000 each	1,442	670
	<u>13,152</u>	<u>17,270</u>

7 Analysis of staff costs, the cost of key management personnel and trustee remuneration

The average monthly number of employees during the year was 6.3 (2023: 5.3). Most of the charity's activities are carried out by volunteers.

No staff received salaries at a rate of more than £60,000 per annum.

The charity's key management comprise the trustees and the key staff named on the Charity Information page. During the year key management received employment benefits totalling £111,885 (2023: £105,050).

No trustees received employment benefits in either the current or preceding year.

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8 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold Property £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Total 2024 £
Cost or valuation			
At 1 September 2023	160,000	14,708	174,708
Additions	-	12,666	12,666
At 31 August 2024	<u>160,000</u>	<u>27,374</u>	<u>187,374</u>
Accumulated depreciation			
At 1 September 2023	-	10,577	10,577
Charge for the year	-	5,499	5,499
At 31 August 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>16,076</u>	<u>16,076</u>
Net book value			
At 31 August 2024	<u>160,000</u>	<u>11,298</u>	<u>171,298</u>
At 31 August 2023	<u>160,000</u>	<u>4,131</u>	<u>164,131</u>

Freehold property was valued for insurance purposes at £160,000 as at 1 September 2019.

9 Debtors: falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Gift aid recoverable	9,031	2,948
Other debtors	<u>1,925</u>	<u>1,474</u>
	<u>10,956</u>	<u>4,422</u>

10 Cash at Bank and in Hand

	2024 £	2023 £
Cash at bank with immediate access	<u>246,427</u>	<u>252,369</u>
	<u>246,427</u>	<u>252,369</u>

11 Creditors: liabilities falling due within one year

	2024 £	2023 £
Taxation and social security	3,257	-
Other creditors	10,670	6,517
Accruals	3,300	3,180
Grant obligations	-	4,000
	<u>17,227</u>	<u>13,697</u>

12 Pension commitments

During the year employer's pension contributions totalling £4,878 (2023: £4,121) were payable to defined contribution personal pension schemes. Pension contributions of £969 were owing at the balance sheet date (2023: £807).

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13 Funds

During the year the movements in the charity's funds were as follows:

	Opening balance 2024 £	Incoming resources 2024 £	Outgoing resources 2024 £	Transfers in the year 2024 £	Closing balance 2024 £
<i>General Unrestricted Funds</i>	<u>404,064</u>	<u>318,453</u>	<u>(299,927)</u>	<u>(12,048)</u>	<u>410,542</u>
<i>Restricted Funds</i>					
Hardship	3,161	-	(2,250)	-	911
Harbour/Feast	-	9,611	(20,009)	10,398	-
Foodbank	-	350	(2,000)	1,650	-
	<u>3,161</u>	<u>9,961</u>	<u>(24,259)</u>	<u>12,048</u>	<u>911</u>
Aggregate of funds	<u>407,225</u>	<u>328,413</u>	<u>(324,185)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>411,453</u>

Analysis of net assets by fund

The assets and liabilities of the various funds were as follows:

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>			
	General funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	2024 £
Tangible fixed assets	171,298	-	-	171,298
Debtors	10,956	-	-	10,956
Cash at bank and in hand	245,516	-	911	246,427
Creditors falling due within one year	(17,227)	-	-	(17,227)
	<u>410,542</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>911</u>	<u>411,453</u>

In the previous year the movements in the charity's funds were as follows:

	Opening balance 2023 £	Incoming resources 2023 £	Outgoing resources 2023 £	Transfers in the year 2023 £	Closing balance 2023 £
<i>General Unrestricted Funds</i>	<u>384,103</u>	<u>327,306</u>	<u>(301,063)</u>	<u>(6,282)</u>	<u>404,064</u>
<i>Restricted Funds</i>					
Ukraine/Poland	-	7,355	(12,126)	4,771	-
Hardship	800	1,500	(650)	1,511	3,161
	<u>800</u>	<u>8,855</u>	<u>(12,776)</u>	<u>6,282</u>	<u>3,161</u>
Aggregate of funds	<u>384,903</u>	<u>336,161</u>	<u>(313,839)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>407,225</u>

Analysis of net assets by fund

In the previous year, the assets and liabilities of the various funds were as follows:

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>			
	General funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	2023 £
Tangible fixed assets	164,131	-	-	164,131
Debtors	4,422	-	-	4,422
Cash at bank and in hand	249,208	-	3,161	252,369
Creditors falling due within one year	(13,697)	-	-	(13,697)
	<u>404,064</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,161</u>	<u>407,225</u>

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13 Funds continued

The **Hardship** fund was created by donations received to support of people known to the church who are experiencing considerable financial hardship

The **Ukraine/Poland** fund was created by donations received to support a trip to Poland with supplies for Ukrainian refugees

The **Harbour/Feast** fund was created from donations received to help open and run a temporary drop in centre in Gravesend and to provide Christmas hampers to families in need

The **Foodbank** fund was created by donations received to help support the Dartford Foodbank, principally through grant making.

14 Transactions with related parties

During the year the charity:

- a) received donations totalling £40,279 (2023: £40,302) from related parties (which includes trustees, any other members of key management and anyone closely connected to them).
- a) Emma Handscomb, who is closely related to Quinton Handscomb (a member of key management), received employment benefits totalling £19,145 (2023: £14,614) for serving in a worship and communications role.

No expenses (2023: £nil) were paid to (or for) trustees for carrying out duties associated with being trustees; reimbursements for expenses incurred when acting as agent for the charity or incurred when undertaking employment duties not connected with serving as a trustee are not included in this disclosure.

Except as disclosed in note 7 'Analysis of staff costs', there have been no other transactions with related parties during the year.

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Unrestricted funds					Unrestricted funds				
General	Designated	Restricted	Total		General	Designated	Restricted	Total	
2024	2024	2024	2024		2023	2023	2023	2023	
£	£	£	£		£	£	£	£	
313,672	-	9,961	323,633		309,630	-	8,855	318,485	
2,677	-	-	2,677		16,796	-	-	16,796	
2,104	-	-	2,104		881	-	-	881	
318,453	-	9,961	328,413		327,306	-	8,855	336,161	
299,927		24,259	324,185		301,063	-	12,776	313,839	
299,927	-	24,259	324,185		301,063	-	12,776	313,839	
18,526	-	(14,298)	4,228		26,243	-	(3,921)	22,322	
(12,048)	-	12,048	-		(6,282)	-	6,282	-	
6,478	-	(2,250)	4,228		19,961	-	2,361	22,322	
404,064	-	3,161	407,225		384,103	-	800	384,903	
410,542	-	911	411,453		404,064	-	3,161	407,225	