



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01.11.23 Period start date To 31.10.24 Period end date

Charity name: Buxton Community Church

Charity registration number: 519280

Objectives and Activities

	SORP ref	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The advancement of the Christian faith and the worship of God. The relief of persons who are in conditions of need, hardship or distress.
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	Buxton Community Church is committed to the advancement of the Christian faith and the establishment of the kingdom of God. We involve ourselves in community projects, which aim to reach the widest possible spectrum of the community. We support regular children's work. Our Church building is used for community activities, for example groups providing support for people with addictions. We also aim to expand the community usage of our Church building to include support projects for people in conditions of need, hardship or distress.
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 complied with the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance under the Charities Act 2011 when exercising their powers and duties to which the guidance is relevant. They consider that the charity's activities provide benefit both to those who worship as part of Buxton Community Church and to the wider community of Buxton and the surrounding area.

Achievements and Performance

	SORP ref	
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>Many of the activities that our Church has been involved in over the last twelve months have continued to be successful and of benefit to our local community</p> <p>Including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provision of a place of worship on Sundays and throughout the week. - Regular activities for children and youth. - Financial and practical help to people who are in conditions of need, hardship and distress. - Providing facilities for a local group supporting adults with learning difficulties. - Providing a room to store baby clothes and equipment for distribution by a local group to parents in need. (The room is provided free of charge along with BCC covering the cost of gas and electricity). - Shared venture with the local authority providing facilities, staffing and equipment for an early years playgroup. - Supporting various refugee families living in the area. - Providing a room for NHS health visitors to support parents with young children (0 – 5 years). - Providing a room for a Dementia singing café, along with covering the cost of gas, electricity and the fees for the therapist to run the sessions. BCC volunteers also help with the running of this group.

Financial Review

	SORP ref	
Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The trustees are satisfied that the charity has adequate financial resources for the year ahead
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The charity is currently developing its reserves policy
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	The charity had free reserves amounting to £57,914 at 31 st October 2024
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	The trustees are confident that the charity is a going concern

Additional information (optional)

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The charity's principal sources of funds are the tithes from its regular members, together with the related Gift Aid, and hire charges for use of the building by other groups and organisations.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The church is heavily dependent on the regular income (tithes) from its members. Tithe income levels are therefore regularly reviewed by the trustees.

Structure, Governance and Management

	SORP ref	
Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document	Para 1.25	Trust deed
How is the charity constituted?	Para 1.25	Unincorporated charitable trust
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	Appointed by the leaders of the church

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Buxton Community Church
Other name the charity uses	None
Registered charity number	519280
Charity's principal address	London Road Buxton Derbyshire SK17 9NX

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	John Akrigg	Chair		
2	Michael Stanway	Treasurer		
3	Christopher Byrne	Secretary		
4	Maia Preston			
5	Sandra Worsley			
6	John Matley		Appointed 19.08.2024	

The charity has no corporate trustees

No trustees hold title to property belonging to the charity

No funds were held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity’s trustees

Signature		
Full name	Michael Stanway	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	
Date		

Buxton Community Church
Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 October 2024

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Total funds 2023 £
Incoming resources					
Tithes		42,715	-	42,715	41,984
Donations and offerings		839	1,700	2,539	3,652
Gift Aid		7,895	-	7,895	8,303
Total voluntary income		51,448	1,700	53,148	53,939
Investment income - Bank interest		877	-	877	584
Other incoming resources		6,500	-	6,500	11,915
Total incoming resources		58,825	1,700	60,525	66,438
Resources expended					
Premises costs		12,375	-	12,375	10,552
Ministry costs		38,306	1,200	39,506	35,481
Church running costs		1,647	-	1,647	2,536
Publicity and administration costs		860	-	860	1,479
Donations		7,094	500	7,594	8,377
Total charitable expenditure		60,283	1,700	61,983	58,425
Governance costs		135	-	135	135
Total resources expended		60,418	1,700	62,118	58,560
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources	2	(1,592)	0	(1,592)	7,878
Total funds brought forward		84,506	-	84,506	76,628
Total funds carried forward		82,914	-	82,914	84,506

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Balance Sheet at 31 October 2024

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	2023
	Note	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible fixed assets	3	25,000	-	25,000	25,000
Current assets					
Cash at bank and in hand		57,914	-	57,914	59,506
Current liabilities					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	4	-	-	-	-
Net current assets		57,914	-	57,914	59,506
Net assets		82,914	-	82,914	84,506
Unrestricted funds		82,914	-	82,914	84,506
Restricted funds		-	-	-	-
Total funds		82,914	0	82,914	84,506

These financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 1st December 2024
and signed on their behalf by:

M Stanway
Treasurer

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 October 2024

1 Accounting policies

a Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard 102 for Smaller Entities (effective 1 January 2015) and the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (effective 1 January 2015).

b Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are subject to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal made by the charity.

c Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities (SoFA) when the charity is entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Voluntary income is received by way of donations and offerings and is included in the SoFA when receivable.

Incoming resources from Gift Aid are from Gift Aid claims for the tax year that ends in the accounting period.

Investment income is included when receivable.

d Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred.

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 attributed directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Governance costs include the costs of preparation and examination of statutory accounts and costs linked to the management of the charity.

All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories of the SoFA on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resources. Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly; others are apportioned on an appropriate basis.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 October 2024 (continued)

2 Net incoming resources for the year

These are stated after charging:	2024	2023
	£	£
Examiner's remuneration	135	135

3 Tangible fixed assets

	Total £	Freehold property £	Fixtures & fittings £
<i>Cost</i>			
At 1 November 2023 and 31 October 2024	<u>27,200</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>2,200</u>
<i>Accumulated depreciation</i>			
At 1 November 2023	2,200	-	2,200
Charge for the year	-	-	-
At 31 October 2024	<u>2,200</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,200</u>
<i>Net book value</i>			
At 31 October 2024	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>	-
At 31 October 2023	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>	-

4 Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Payroll costs	-	-

Buxton Community Church
Independent Examiners Report
for the Year Ended 31 October 2024

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Buxton Community Church

I report on the accounts of the trust for the year ended 31 October 2024.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an Independent Examination is needed. The charity's gross income has not exceeded £250,000. I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of ICAEW.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act
- To following the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter have come to my attention

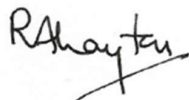
(1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- To keep good accounting records
- To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records

have not been met; or

(2) To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Date: 24 April 2025