

Annual Report 2024/2025

Hemsworth Christian Fellowship 'Touching Heaven-Changing Earth'

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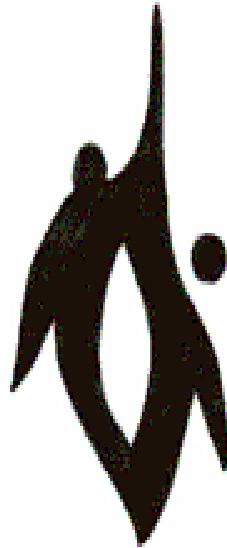
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Constitution and Organisation.

The organisation is governed by a constitution document and is a registered Charity (No. 702838).

The Trustees meet to oversee the work of the charity. The same leadership team oversee the spiritual life of the church

Trustees:

Joan Cameron, Heather Warren, Jennifer Hall, Kevin Bray and Catherine Bray

Leadership Team:

Joan Cameron, Heather Warren, Catherine Bray, Kevin Bray, Jennifer Hall and Oliver Hall.

Values Model of 'The Springs'



Faith - in God, in ourselves, and in people.

Value People - people before programmes, people are precious.

Serving - each other and the community.

Well-being—freedom to enjoy and develop all aspects of life in a safe, accepting environment.

Holistic—meeting the needs of the whole person.

Minister's Statement

I was recently searching YouTube for suitable songs for our Sunday morning meetings and 'soaking' meetings. I found a particular song that sounded fantastic...a soaring, stirring tune and excellent lyrics. It was (so I thought) by a popular American worship leader. I put it on my list for that week, yet every time I came to include it in the final 'cut' so to speak, my heart wasn't rising to it, and something just wouldn't 'let' me use it. Strange. I went back to it a week or two later, and found other songs that had similar accompanying descriptions, and after further research I realised that this song, and now hundreds if not thousands on YouTube are AI (Artificial Intelligence) generated songs. Some openly clone the singing voice of contemporary artists, while others coyly say that they are 'in the style of' a particular singer.

Perhaps my 'heart' did not rise to this song, not because of the tune or lyrics, which were excellent, but because, being artificially generated by a computer, I somehow sensed that it had no 'soul', and so didn't connect with my soul. It could connect with my mind, but the life of God that Jesus promised us is so much deeper than feeding our minds with information about God or Theology. It is the very heart of our Father touching our hearts (that deeper place within us that goes beyond rational thought). This can be direct, but it can also be through the words or music or writings of another, whose soul has been touched by Father and they are passing it on. I'm not certain that AI is at that stage yet (and probably never will be). An AI program can copy musical styles and develop words and rhymes based on its learning and copying of human precedents, but at the end of the day, that's all it is... a copy, albeit cleverly re-worded and re-imagined.

That got me thinking—how much of our own personal life with Father is just copied or cleverly re-worded faith of others. How much do we copy others because it's 'worked' for others, so we think it's what Father wants? Or how much of our spiritual life is singing our own song, with our own words, that testify to what Father means to us, that comes from a place of having had our hearts touched by his love, our souls authentically telling the story of His goodness and our unique relationship with Him as His children?

Chair's Report 2024/2025

It is with great pleasure that I present the Annual Report of the charity Hemsworth Christian Fellowship.

Objectives and Activities

Its objectives are to advance the Christian Faith and to promote the benefit of the inhabitants of Hemsworth and the surrounding area.

The main activities are undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objectives. The Trustees have had due regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Ongoing aims are always to respond to needs that arise in the community for either group development or financial aid where appropriate for the public benefit.

The following activities have been held at 'The Springs'

'Little Springs' parent and toddlers
Springs Café (Lite Bites)
Southmoor Luncheon Club
Card-making and Creative Space Art Group
Foodbank cafe

Spiritual activities at the church other than the Sunday morning gathering include

Soaking group

Other groups/meetings/classes

Food Bank
Community Allotment craft group
Turning Point Substance Misuse Charity
Various meetings supporting local community initiatives
Senior Citizens coffee morning
Sycamore Trust craft group organized by LittleBeck Trust
Regular fundraising pamper evenings

Achievements and Performance

The charity was unsuccessful in appointing 2 new trustees, and the Trustees have agreed to amend the Constitution to allow for the leadership of the church to in effect also fulfil the role of Trustees.

The new boiler was installed successfully and is already proving to be a more efficient heating system. The modular building was painted and looks great. Roof insulation was also installed in all the rooms which are currently in use.

The counselling room has been created and is now used on a daily basis, and the Foodbank has been moved to the former youth room with shelving and freezers installed.

Volunteers

Once again, our volunteers are a source of pride and joy here at HCF. From washing pots on a Sunday, running groups and classes, organising quizzes and preparing finances, our volunteers cannot be praised too highly.

They are held in the highest regard by staff and users and without whom nothing would happen at the centre. They hold the values dearly and are exemplary in service and dedication. People continue to love coming to our activities, and it is down to the volunteers who create a safe, accepting environment.

Future Plans

- Secure more room hire funding to cope with rising costs
- Create a clinic room to accommodate Turning Point
- Replace the rusted steel lintels around the church if possible
- Support member counsellor in developing their business
- Develop the grass area at front of church
- Further secure the modular building with steel window guards

Financial Review

The accounts show a loss of just over £8000, but this is due to grant monies being received in the previous accounts yet being spent in this year's accounts (Boiler and painting the modular building, and creating the new clinic). A slight decrease in rental income is due to the care home ceasing to trade. Despite this, cash in bank is very healthy, but with the expected ongoing increase of fuel bills this will be needed. The rise in all prices is the main threat to the charity, but the usual financial prudence and general increase in income means that there are no major worries for the coming year. Reserves have not been used and remained, as agreed, at a minimum of 12 months running costs for the charity.

The finances of the Hemsworth Christian Fellowship are kept under close review through the year.

The Annual Accounts for the year ended 31st March, 2025 form part of this report and are attached as an appendix.

Signed J. Hall Acting Chair ...*J D Hall*.....

Date: 10th December 2025



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Hemsworth Christian Fellowship

702838

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date 4/1/2024	To	Period end date 3/31/2025
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	14,292		-	14,292	15,020
Grants	-	9,825	-	9,825	3,500
Rent of Premises	7,200	-	-	7,200	8,484
Catering and other groups	4,451	-	-	4,451	3,942
Interest Received	670	-	-	670	627
Gift Aid		-	-	-	7,423
Other Income		-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	26,613	9,825	-	36,438	38,996
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	26,613	9,825	-	36,438	38,996
A3 Payments					
Salaries and Oncosts	12,480	-	-	12,480	11,336
Utilities	9,834	-	-	9,834	4,989
Insurance	1,506			1,506	1,390
Repairs and Maintenance	8,139	-	-	8,139	72
Office /Telephone / Internet	332	-	-	332	331
Health & Safety	881	-	-	881	432
Professional Fees	250	-	-	250	160
Catering	1,275	-	-	1,275	639
Grant Expenditure		9,825	-	9,825	3,204
Charitable giving / support	350	-	-	350	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	35,047	9,825	-	44,872	22,553
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	35,047	9,825	-	44,872	22,553
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 8,434	-	-	- 8,434	16,443
A5 Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	51,753	-	-	51,753	35,877
Cash funds this year end	43,319	-	-	43,319	52,320

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Church Account	27,825	-	-
	Community Account	1,300	-	-
	Reserves Account	14,194	-	-
	Total cash funds	43,319	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
			-	-
			-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Building	Restricted		1,315,000
	Audio Visual Equipment and computers	Restricted		2,000
	Kitchen Fixtures and Fittings	Restricted		5,000
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			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	3 months Salaries	Unrestricted	3,500	26 June 2025
	Utilities	Unrestricted	3,100	01 July 2025
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	<i>J D Hall</i>	Jennifer Hall	12/10/2025	



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the
trustees/members of**

Hemsworth Christian Fellowship

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31/03/2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

702838

Set out on pages

1 and 2 (Appendix to the Annual Report)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31/03/2025**.

**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 (other than that disclosed below *) 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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

11/12/25

Name:

Mr Ashley Guest

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

Address:

15 Beech Street

South Elmsall

West Yorkshire WF9 2HG

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.