

# Antrim Coast Vineyard Church

Northern Ireland · Charity number 107849

## Details

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| Known as       | ACV  |
| Status         | Received   |
| Company number | <a href="#">654056</a>   |
| Registered     | 2020-09-23   |
| Register       | <a href="#">View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register</a> |

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## Activities

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**Purposes:** The charity's objects ("the Objects") are for the public benefit and are restricted to the following: (a) to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Beliefs in the Schedule to the Articles hereto attached including but not by way of limitation through the planting of other Vineyard churches in such ways and in such parts of Larne, the Antrim Coast and the surrounding area, the United Kingdom or the world as the Trustees from time to time may think fit; (b) to further Christian education in such parts of Larne, the Antrim Coast and the surrounding area, the United Kingdom and the world as the Trustees may from time to time think fit; (c) to relieve sickness, financial hardship and poverty and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods or services of any kind, including through the provision of counselling, training in life skills and support in such parts of Larne, the Antrim Coast and the surrounding area, the United Kingdom or the world as the Trustees from time to time may think fit; (d) to further or benefit the residents of Larne, the Antrim Coast and the surrounding area without distinction of sex, sexual orientation, race or of political, religious or other opinions by associating together the said residents and the local authorities, voluntary and other organisations in a common effort to advance education, foster cross community partnerships and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare for recreation leisure time occupation with the objective of improving the conditions of life for the residents.

**What the charity does:** The prevention or relief of poverty, The advancement of religion, The advancement of citizenship or community development, The relief of those in need by reason of youth, age, ill-health,

disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage

**How the charity works:** Relief of poverty, Religious activities, Welfare/benevolent, Youth development

**Who the charity helps:** General public

## Finances

| Period end | Income  | Expenditure | Assets | Employees |
|------------|---------|-------------|--------|-----------|
| 2025-08-31 | £58,441 | £49,499     | £0     | 1         |

## Trustees

| Name                       | Role | Appointed |
|----------------------------|------|-----------|
| Mr Jonathan Michael Mccabe |      |           |
| Mr Mark Brown              |      |           |
| Mr Mark Surgenor           |      |           |
| Mr Paul Daniels            |      |           |

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# Accounts

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Company Registration Number: NI654056  
Charity Number: NIC107849

**Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**  
(A company limited by guarantee, not having a share capital)

**Annual Report and Unaudited Financial Statements**  
**for the financial year ended 31 August 2025**

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## **Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**

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### **REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

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|---|---|
| <b>Directors</b>                          | Mark Robert Brown<br>Paul Richard Daniels<br>Jonathan Michael McCabe<br>Mark Surgenor (appointed 8 January 2026)        |
| <b>Charity Number in Northern Ireland</b> | NIC107849   |
| <b>Company Registration Number</b>        | NI654056  |
| <b>Registered Office</b>                  | 61 Clover Brook<br>Larne<br>Co Antrim<br>BT40 2UP<br>Northern Ireland   |
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**Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**  
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**DIRECTORS' ANNUAL REPORT**  
for the financial year ended 31 August 2025

The directors present their Directors' Annual Report, combining the Directors' Report and Trustees' Report, and the unaudited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 August 2025.

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

The Directors' Report contains the information required to be provided in the Directors' Annual Report under the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) guidelines. The directors of the charity are also charity trustees for the purpose of charity law and under the charity's constitution are known as members of the board of trustees.

In this report the directors of Antrim Coast Vineyard Church present a summary of its purpose, governance, activities, achievements and finances for the financial year 31 August 2025.

The charity is a registered charity and hence the report and results are presented in a form which complies with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and, although not obliged to comply with the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland FRS 102, the organisation has implemented its recommendations where relevant in these financial statements.

### **Mission, Objectives and Strategy**

#### **Objectives and aims**

The objectives of Antrim Coast Vineyard Church are to seek and advance the Kingdom of God in Larne Town, Antrim Coast, and the surrounding area by furthering the gospel of Jesus Christ, building up the faith of Christian believers, sharing in the training of Christian workers, promoting Christian education and bring relief to the poor, the needy and the sick.

During the year, the church has fulfilled these objectives as set out below.

#### **Connected Charities**

During this period, we supported the work of four charities listed below by way of Financial or Giving support. The following represent our commitment and support to Charities at a Local, National, and international level.

##### **1. Larne Food Bank (Trussell Trust) (Local)**

Below is a brief outline of their mission: -

- To end hunger and Poverty in the UK
- Bringing communities together to end hunger and poverty in the UK by providing compassionate, practical help with dignity whilst challenging injustice.

##### **2. Stand by Me (International)**

Below is a brief outline of their Vision: -

Through our children's homes, schools, and care centres, we aim to meet the individual needs of children who are orphaned, abandoned, abused and victims of war or disease or are living in extreme poverty. We aim to make lasting improvements to children's lives, caring for them as Jesus would, by restoring their dignity and giving them a sense of self-worth. We want every child entrusted to us to feel loved and to reach their full potential.

##### **3. DEC (Disaster Emergency Committee) Middle East Humanitarian appeal**

Below is a brief outline of their vision:-

The DEC brings together 15 leading UK aid charities to raise funds quickly and efficiently at times of humanitarian crisis overseas.

In these times of crisis, people in life-and-death situations need our help and our mission is to save, protect and rebuild lives by working with the communities affected.

Pooling our resources to work as one, we are pivotal in co-ordinating the UK public's response to overseas disasters. In collaboration with our Rapid Response Network of national media and corporate partners, we raise the alarm to the UK public and set up easy ways to donate.

And we have immediate impact, getting aid to people who need it, fast.

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#### **4. Vineyard Churches UK & Ireland ("VCUKI") (National)**

VCUKI exists to connect churches that hold common values and practices. It gives spiritual oversight to the senior pastors of Vineyard Churches and facilitates church planting such as Antrim Coast Vineyard. Vineyard use the name "Vineyard" by agreement.

#### **Review of Achievements and Performance**

Performance against objectives.

The level of performance against objectives is, in the main, a reflection of the activity of the Church members of Antrim Coast Vineyard Church who volunteer their time, energy and money freely because of faith. The leadership and organisation of this activity is the primary responsibility of the senior pastors and a leadership team in support of the senior pastors.

#### **Furthering the Gospel of Jesus Christ and Advancing the Kingdom of God.**

Antrim Coast Vineyard Church aims to advance the Kingdom of God throughout the town of Larne, Antrim coast and surrounding areas, across the whole country and the island of Ireland.

Our Church has actively worked in our local communities to be a blessing in practical and relational ways.

The Church welcomes those of all or no faiths and from every background and community who wish to visit during our Church gatherings.

Sunday gatherings we're held at the YMCA building 34 Pound St, Larne BT40 1SD.

To promote community engagement and bring the Gospel of Jesus Christ and Advance the Kingdom of God we have run the following numerous events in addition to regular Sunday gatherings.

1 September 2024 -31 August 2025

- Weekly Sunday Gatherings from Sunday 1st September – Sunday 15th December
- Light Kids Program meeting weekly on Sundays from 1st September
- Refresh Hygiene Store open 2x per week from week beginning Monday 2nd September – week beginning Monday 16th December
- Search Lights Youth Program meeting at least 2 x Sundays per month from 15th September
- Leadership Essentials Course running 1x per month from week beginning Monday 23rd September
- 5 different Coast Groups (small groups) ran weekly from week beginning 30th September – week beginning 25th November
- ACV Birthday Celebration Gathering Sunday 13th October
- Half-Term Family Brunch Sunday 3rd November
- Coast Women Autumn Retreat in Glenarm Saturday 19th October
- Community Inter-Denominational Healing Service Sunday 20th October
- Baby Dedication Family Service Sunday 10th November
- Coast Men and Kids Christmas outing Saturday 30th November
- Sparrow Centre Christmas Hygiene Hampers with Larne Foodbank 9th-11th December
- Coast Women Christmas Gather & Graze Thursday 12th December
- Sparrow Centre Christmas Community & Craft Village Friday 13th December
- Carols Cookies and Crafts with Santa Sunday 15th December

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- Weekly Sunday Gatherings from Sunday 5th January -Sunday 29th June
- Light Kids Program meeting weekly on Sundays from 5th January -Sunday 29th June
- The Table – Worship and Communion Service one Sunday per month from 5th January
- Refresh Hygiene Store open 2x per week from week beginning 6th January– week beginning 23rd June
- Search Lights Youth Program 2 x Sundays per month from 14th January – 29th June
- Coast Women Connect Mornings – 1x Saturday per month from 18th January – August
- Leadership Essentials Course running 1x per month from week beginning Monday 20th January -June
- Sparrow Centre Volunteer Team Thank you Dinner Saturday 25th January
- Coast Women Study Group – 1x per week for 6 weeks from Wednesday 19th February
- Coast Men Study Group -1x per week for 6 weeks from Thursday 20th February
- Church Family Walk – Sunday 16th February
- ACV Leadership Team Retreat and Thank You Dinner Saturday 8th March
- Sparrow Centre Community Partnership Brunch Friday 28th March
- Mothers of all Kinds Celebration Service Sunday 30th March
- Giving Sunday Gathering Sunday 13th April

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- Easter Sunday Dawn Service at Olderfleet Sunday 20th April
- CAP Money Coaching Workshop running Fridays 2nd 16th and 23rd May
- Coast Women Walk & Talk group - 1x per week for 6 weeks from Wednesday 7th May
- Coast Men small group – 1x per week for 6 weeks from Thursday 8th May
- PRAY Larne community day of prayer Saturday 17th May
- Baby Dedication Family Service Sunday 25th May
- Coast Women Gather & Graze Craft Night Friday 6th June
- Baptism Service at Olderfleet Sunday 8th June
- Fathers of All Kinds Celebration Sunday 15th June
- Coast Men Noodle Night Wednesday 18th June
- Refresh Hygiene Store open 3rd 7th 10th 21st 24th 28th 31st July
- Summer in Colossians Study Group Thursday 3rd and 10th July
- Summer Sunday in Jubilee Farm Sunday 6th July
- Summer Sunday in Whitehead Sunday 13th July
- Summer Sunday in the Barn at Glenarm Sunday 20th July
- Coast Men Wild Walk & Fish Supper Thursday 24th July
- Church Family Picnic on the Beach at Ballygally Sunday 27th July
- The Summer Slowdown Small Group 1x per week for 5 weeks from Wednesday 30th July
- Church Family BBQ on the Beach at Drains Bay Sunday 3rd August
- Refresh Hygiene Store open 4th 14th 18th 28th August
- Summer Sunday in the Barn at Glenarm Sunday 10th August
- Coast Women Summer Read Friday 15th August
- Summer Sunday at the Farm in Larne Sunday 17th August
- Church Family Picnic in the Park Sunday 24th August
- Special ACV Celebration Gathering Sunday 31st August

An overview of our community activities and special events can be found on

<https://antrimcoastvineyard.org>

<https://www.facebook.com/antrimcoastvineyard>

<https://www.instagram.com/antrimcoastvineyard>

#### **Building up the Faith of Christian Believers, Training, and education.**

Attendance at Church gatherings and life groups remained steady throughout this period.

#### **Relieving the Poor, those in need and the sick.**

Antrim Coast Vineyard Church actively seeks ways to bless and practically serve our community, especially the poor, those in need, young and old, including those who are outside our church community. Examples of this are as follows:-

#### **Sparrow Centre (Antrim Coast Vineyard)**

We have provided a hygiene store where the community can visit to avail of free personal care and hygiene items Since early October 2022.

Refresh our hygiene store in The Sparrow Centre is stocked with a wide selection of basic toiletries and laundry products. We believe everyone within our local community has the right to feel clean, safe and well, and with an emphasis on dignity, Refresh also provides other items (such as haircare, skincare, and makeup products). As the project became established, we also secured funding which has been vital in keeping the service open and operating. Refresh is stocked by local toiletry donations, from community, friends, and supporters – people who are passionate about working together to provide accessible spaces of dignity and hope.

Affording dignity means our service is on a non-referral basis, though referrals from community partners are welcome. Individuals & families are invited to pick up whatever items they need, free of charge. We work closely with Larne Foodbank, Home Start, Sure Start, Larne Community Fridge and other local organisations. Currently we open a minimum of 2 times per week. Between September 2024 and August 2025, we gave away 7,777 toiletry items which helped 1,774 individuals with poverty hygiene, including 658 children.

### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

#### **Community Engagement and Support**

##### **Sparrow Centre (Antrim Coast Vineyard)**

As above, the Church has identified a need for providing free essential hygiene items to the local community to help alleviate hygiene poverty and opened a premises to do so since October 2022.

##### **Foodbank**

In partnership, Antrim Coast Vineyard Church have supported the Larne Food Bank (Trussell Trust) by providing financial donations or/and essential foodstuffs and other necessary items.

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### **Baby Bank**

A new Larne Baby Bank was set up by Home Start to help families who are pregnant or who have babies or toddlers. We have worked closely with this organisation and following consultation, we decided to no longer stock baby products in The Sparrow Centre and instead refer families to the Baby Bank as a collaborative partnership.

### **Larne Community Cluster Group**

Antrim Coast Vineyard through The Sparrow Centre is a member of The Larne Community Cluster Group. This is MEA Council's Community Development initiative, which promotes collaboration across community groups to deliver benefits, not only for the participating groups, but also for the wider community. The overarching aim of Council's strategic approach to community development is that The MEA Council area is recognised as a place where the community and partner organisations work together cohesively and effectively to improve the quality of life of residents.

Through The partnership collaboration of the group, the Sparrow Centre is part of a network of organisations that seek to improve the quality of life for the local Larne and Antrim Coast area.

### **Summary**

It should be noted the above is not a complete list of activities. However, they demonstrate Antrim Coast Vineyard Church is continuing to fulfil its obligations and achieve its objectives.

### **Financial Review**

The results for the financial year are set out on page 12 and additional notes are provided showing income and expenditure in greater detail.

### **Employment**

The Charity has employed one Senior Pastor, Andrea Howard, on a part time basis since 1st January 2022.

During the current reporting period, and due to the growing and urgent operational need within the Church, after a financial review by the Board of Directors, it was agreed to increase Andrea Howard's hours from 15 to 30 hours with effect from 1st September 2025.

The Church family having been appraised, also generously and kindly responded by pledging to increase Giving in support of the hourly increase.

### **Investment Policy**

The constitution of Antrim Coast Vineyard Church authorises the Trustees to make and hold investments using its funds. Cash balances are currently held with the HSBC Bank.

### **Reserves Policy**

The Trustees who served in this period have undertaken the work of the charity, identified the major risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that all appropriate policies are in place to mitigate these risks.

Antrim Coast Vineyard maintains reserves in order to cover fluctuations in income and expenditure, and to allow for any major unexpected expenditure, or to mitigate any decline in the overall financial environment.

### **Community Grant**

During March 2024, the National Lottery Community fund kindly donated £20,000 to Antrim Coast Vineyard Church in support of the running costs of the Compassion refresh project at the Sparrow Centre, Unit 2, LEDCOM Industrial estate, Larne.

These funds are restricted to the said project and are valid for a period of 2 years, ending April 2026.

### **The Crowe Evangelical Trust**

During March 2025, the trust kindly donated £1,100 in support of the Sparrow centre, refresh project running costs.

These funds were restricted to the Compassion activities of the Sparrow centre.

### **Larne Area Community Cluster Participatory Funding Scheme**

During April 2025, Mid East and Antrim council kindly donated a grant of £1,000 in support of the Sparrow centre, refresh project running costs.

These funds were restricted to the Compassion activities of the Sparrow centre.

### **CARRYING ON OUR WORK**

The Senior Pastors, volunteer team of Antrim Coast Vineyard Church will continue to build on the work that is already happening in the church in order to follow God, to form an authentic community of believers and fulfil the Kingdom ministries left to us. We desire to intentionally see lives transformed by Jesus starting with our own. We will continue to grow our outreach projects, working with the poor in Larne, Antrim coast and surrounding areas, both practically and relationally and we will continue to serve our community as a whole.

We will continue to support our connected charities locally, nationally, and internationally by way of ongoing financial and giving support.

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We will continue to operate as a "Come as You Are" church and always seek to make room for another.

**Financial Results**

At the end of the financial year the charity has assets of £84,425 (2024 - £75,483) and liabilities of £0.00 (2024 - £0.00). The net assets of the charity have increased by £8,942.

**Governing Document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

Antrim Coast Vineyard Church is a registered charity, charity number NI654056 duly constituted by means of its Memorandum and Articles of Association and operating as a church.

The Church is also registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, Charity number 107849.

**Organisational Structure**

Antrim Coast Vineyard Church is a company limited by guarantee (company number NI654056) in which the company directors also form the board of Trustees. The liability of each Trustee in the event of a winding up is limited to £1. The Church is associated to Vineyard Churches UK. The association provides pastoral care for the Senior Pastors and family and an external reference concerning church affairs and doctrine.

The day to day running of the church is by the Senior Pastors, Andrew Howard, and Andrea Howard, alongside a leadership team.

Induction and training of new trustees

New Trustees are appointed when appropriate. Suitable candidates are considered on basis of their skills, experience, and sympathy with the aims of the church. New Trustees have the opportunity of reviewing appropriate documents, including the accounts, as part of the induction process.

**Directors**

The directors who served throughout the financial year, except as noted, were as follows:

Mark Robert Brown  
Paul Richard Daniels  
Jonathan Michael McCabe  
Mark Surgenor (appointed 8 January 2026)

In accordance with the Constitution, the directors retire by rotation and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

**Compliance with Sector-Wide Legislation and Standards**

The charity engages pro-actively with legislation, standards and codes which are developed for the sector. Antrim Coast Vineyard Church subscribes to and is compliant with the following:

- The Companies Act 2006
- The Charities SORP (FRS 102)

**Risk Management**

The systems of internal control are designated to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance against material misstatement or loss. They include:

- An annual budget approved by the Trustees.
- Regular review by the Trustees of financial reports
- Identification and management of risk

Approved by the Board of Directors on 11 March 2026 and signed on its behalf by:



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Mark Robert Brown  
Trustee



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Jonathan Michael McCabe  
Trustee

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### **STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES**

for the financial year ended 31 August 2025

The directors are responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law) including FRS102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland". Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the net income or expenditure of the charity for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the relevant financial reporting framework, identify those standards, and note the effect and the reasons for any material departure from those standards; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The directors confirm that they have complied with the above requirements in preparing the financial statements.

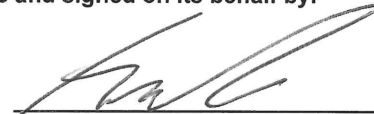
The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. 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.

**Approved by the Board of Directors on 11 March 2026 and signed on its behalf by:**



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**Mark Robert Brown**  
Trustee



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**Jonathan Michael McCabe**  
Trustee

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# **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF ANTRIM COAST VINEYARD CHURCH**

We have examined the financial statements of the charity for the financial year ended 31 August 2025, which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities (incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account), the Balance Sheet and the related notes.

### **Respective responsibilities of directors and examiner**

The charity's trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006. The charity's directors consider that an audit is not required for this financial year under Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and that an independent examination is required.

It is our responsibility to:

- examine the financial statements under section 65 of the Charities Act;
- follow the procedures laid down by the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

### **Basis of independent examiner's report**

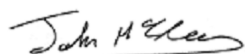
We have examined your charity financial statements as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and our examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from the directors 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.

In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention which gives us cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006
- the financial statements do not accord with those accounting records
- the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102)
- there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

### **Independent examiner's statement**

We 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 financial statements to be reached.



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**Date: 11 March 2026**

**Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**  
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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
(Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account)  
for the financial year ended 31 August 2025

|   | Notes | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>2025<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>2025<br>£ | Total<br>Funds<br>2025<br>£ | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>2024<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>2024<br>£ | Total<br>Funds<br>2024<br>£ |
|---|-------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Income</b>                                       |       |                                    |                                  |                             |                                    |                                  |                             |
| Donations and legacies                              | 3.1   | 54,067                             | 4,255                            | 58,322                      | 45,732                             | 22,207                           | 67,939                      |
| Investments   | 3.2   | 119                                | -                                | 119                         | -                                  | -                                | -                           |
| <b>Total income</b>                                 |       | <b>54,186</b>                      | <b>4,255</b>                     | <b>58,441</b>               | <b>45,732</b>                      | <b>22,207</b>                    | <b>67,939</b>               |
| <b>Expenditure</b>                                  |       |                                    |                                  |                             |                                    |                                  |                             |
| Charitable activities                               | 4.1   | 37,404                             | 12,095                           | 49,499                      | 44,172                             | 7,752                            | 51,924                      |
| <b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>                     |       | <b>16,782</b>                      | <b>(7,840)</b>                   | <b>8,942</b>                | <b>1,560</b>                       | <b>14,455</b>                    | <b>16,015</b>               |
| Transfers between funds                             |       | -                                  | -                                | -                           | -                                  | -                                | -                           |
| <b>Net movement in funds for the financial year</b> |       | <b>16,782</b>                      | <b>(7,840)</b>                   | <b>8,942</b>                | <b>1,560</b>                       | <b>14,455</b>                    | <b>16,015</b>               |
| <b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>                     |       |                                    |                                  |                             |                                    |                                  |                             |
| Total funds beginning of the year                   | 10    | 61,029                             | 14,454                           | 75,483                      | 59,468                             | -                                | 59,468                      |
| <b>Total funds at the end of the year</b>           |       | <b>77,811</b>                      | <b>6,614</b>                     | <b>84,425</b>               | <b>61,028</b>                      | <b>14,455</b>                    | <b>75,483</b>               |

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the financial year. All income and expenditure relate to continuing activities.

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Company Number: NI654056

### BALANCE SHEET

as at 31 August 2025

|  | Notes | 2025<br>£     | 2024<br>£     |
|--|-------|---------------|---------------|
| <b>Current Assets</b>                        |       |               |               |
| Cash at bank and in hand                     |       | 84,425        | 75,483        |
| <b>Net Current Assets</b>                    |       | <u>84,425</u> | <u>75,483</u> |
| <b>Total Assets less Current Liabilities</b> |       | <u>84,425</u> | <u>75,483</u> |
| <b>Funds</b>                                 |       |               |               |
| Restricted funds                             |       | 6,614         | 14,455        |
| General fund (unrestricted)                  |       | 77,811        | 61,028        |
| <b>Total funds</b>                           | 10    | <u>84,425</u> | <u>75,483</u> |

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

For the financial year ended 31 August 2025 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006; and no notice has been deposited under section 476.

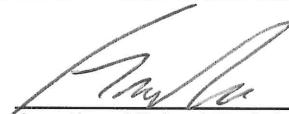
The directors confirm that the members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the financial year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the charity keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 and for preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the end of the financial year and of its profit and loss for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charity.

Approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 11 March 2026 and signed on its behalf by



Mark Robert Brown  
Trustee



Jonathan Michael McCabe  
Trustee

# Antrim Coast Vineyard Church

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the financial year ended 31 August 2025

### 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Antrim Coast Vineyard Church is a company limited by guarantee incorporated in Northern Ireland. The registered office of the charity is 61 Clover Brook, Larne, Co Antrim, BT40 2UP, Northern Ireland which is also the principal place of business of the charity. The financial statements have been presented in Pound (£) which is also the functional currency of the charity.

### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the charity's financial statements.

#### Basis of preparation

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared on the going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "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".

As permitted by the Companies Act 2006, the charity has varied the standard formats in that act for the Statement of Financial Activities and the Balance Sheet. Departures from the standard formats are to comply with the requirements of the Charities SORP and are in compliance with section 4.7, 10.6 and 15.2 of that SORP.

#### Statement of compliance

The financial statements of the charity for the financial year ended 31 August 2025 have been prepared on the going concern basis and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "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".

#### Cash flow statement

The charity has availed of the exemption in FRS 102 from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement because it is classified as a small charity.

#### Fund accounting

The following are the categories of funds maintained:

#### Restricted funds

Restricted funds represent income received which can only be used for particular purposes, as specified by the donors. Such purposes are within the overall objectives of the charity.

#### Unrestricted funds

Unrestricted funds consist of General funds.

■ General funds represent amounts which are expendable at the discretion of the board, in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

#### Income

Income is recognised by inclusion in the Statement of Financial Activities only when the charity is legally entitled to the income, performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met, the amounts involved can be measured with sufficient reliability and it is probable that the income will be received by the charity.

#### Income from charitable activities

Income from charitable activities include income earned from the supply of services under contractual arrangements and from performance related grants which have conditions that specify the provision of particular services to be provided by the charity. Income from government and other co-funders is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to the income because it is fulfilling the conditions contained in the related funding agreements. Where a grant is received in advance, its recognition is deferred and included in creditors. Where entitlement occurs before income is received, it is accrued in debtors.

Grants from governments and other co-funders typically include one of the following types of conditions:

■ Performance based conditions: whereby the charity is contractually entitled to funding only to the extent that the core objectives of the grant agreement are achieved. Where the charity is meeting the core objectives of a

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grant agreement, it recognises the related expenditure, to the extent that it is reimbursable by the donor, as income.

■ Time based conditions: whereby the charity is contractually entitled to funding on the condition that it is utilised in a particular period. In these cases the charity recognises the income to the extent it is utilised within the period specified in the agreement.

In the absence of such conditions, assuming that receipt is probable and the amount can be reliably measured, grant income is recognised once the charity is notified of entitlement.

Grants received towards capital expenditure are credited to the Statement of Financial Activities when received or receivable, whichever is earlier.

#### Expenditure

Expenditure is analysed between costs of charitable activities and raising funds. The costs of each activity are separately accumulated and disclosed, and analysed according to their major components. Expenditure is recognised when a legal or constructive obligation exists as a result of a past event, a transfer of economic benefits is required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be reliably measured. Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but cannot be attributed to one activity. Such costs are allocated to activities in proportion to staff time spent or other suitable measure for each activity.

#### Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand comprises cash on deposit at banks requiring less than three months notice of withdrawal.

#### Taxation

No current or deferred taxation arises as the charity has been granted charitable exemption. Irrecoverable valued added tax is expensed as incurred.

| <b>3. INCOME</b>      |                                      |                           |                         |                      |               |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| <b>3.1</b>            | <b>DONATIONS AND LEGACIES</b>        | <b>Unrestricted Funds</b> | <b>Restricted Funds</b> | <b>2025</b>          | <b>2024</b>   |
|                       |                                      | <b>£</b>                  | <b>£</b>                | <b>£</b>             | <b>£</b>      |
|                       | Donations                            | 43,641                    | 2,155                   | 45,796               | 34,567        |
|                       | Gift aid                             | 9,304                     | -                       | 9,304                | 7,248         |
|                       | Grant income                         | -                         | 2,100                   | 2,100                | 20,000        |
|                       | Other income                         | 704                       | -                       | 704                  | 963           |
|                       | Occasional giving                    | 418                       | -                       | 418                  | 5,161         |
|                       |                                      | <u>54,067</u>             | <u>4,255</u>            | <u>58,322</u>        | <u>67,939</u> |
| <b>3.2</b>            | <b>INVESTMENTS</b>                   | <b>Unrestricted Funds</b> | <b>Restricted Funds</b> | <b>2025</b>          | <b>2024</b>   |
|                       |                                      | <b>£</b>                  | <b>£</b>                | <b>£</b>             | <b>£</b>      |
|                       | Investments                          | 119                       | -                       | 119                  | -             |
|                       |                                      | <u>119</u>                | <u>-</u>                | <u>119</u>           | <u>-</u>      |
| <b>4. EXPENDITURE</b> |                                      |                           |                         |                      |               |
| <b>4.1</b>            | <b>CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES</b>         | <b>Direct Costs</b>       | <b>Other Costs</b>      | <b>Support Costs</b> | <b>2025</b>   |
|                       |                                      | <b>£</b>                  | <b>£</b>                | <b>£</b>             | <b>£</b>      |
|                       | Expenditure on charitable activities | 24,738                    | -                       | 24,761               | 49,499        |
|                       |                                      | <u>24,738</u>             | <u>-</u>                | <u>24,761</u>        | <u>49,499</u> |
|                       |                                      |                           |                         |                      | <u>51,924</u> |

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| 4.2 SUPPORT COSTS       | Charitable<br>Activities<br>£ | 2025<br>£     | 2024<br>£     |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Professional fees       | 3,292                         | 3,292         | 1,504         |
| Printing and Production | 149                           | 149           | 353           |
| Accountancy fees        | 1,374                         | 1,374         | 1,320         |
| Insurance               | 727                           | 727           | 552           |
| Travel costs            | 453                           | 453           | -             |
| Trustees' salaries      | -                             | -             | 9,318         |
| Wages                   | 17,898                        | 17,898        | -             |
| Office expenses         | 868                           | 868           | 635           |
|                         | <u>24,761</u>                 | <u>24,761</u> | <u>13,682</u> |

| 5. ANALYSIS OF SUPPORT COSTS | Basis of<br>Apportionment | 2025<br>£     | 2024<br>£     |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Professional fees            | 100%                      | 3,292         | 1,504         |
| Printing and Production      | 100%                      | 149           | 353           |
| Accountancy fees             | 100%                      | 1,374         | 1,320         |
| Insurance                    | 100%                      | 727           | 552           |
| Travel costs                 | 100%                      | 453           | -             |
| Trustees' salaries           | 100%                      | -             | 9,318         |
| Wages                        | 100%                      | 17,898        | -             |
| Office expenses              | 100%                      | 868           | 635           |
|                              |                           | <u>24,761</u> | <u>13,682</u> |

| 6. NET INCOME  | 2025<br>£    | 2024<br>£    |
|--|--------------|--------------|
| <b>Net Income is stated after charging/(crediting):</b>                    |              |              |
| Independent Examiner's remuneration:<br>- independent examination services | 1,374        | 1,320        |
|  | <u>1,374</u> | <u>1,320</u> |

| 7. INVESTMENT AND OTHER INCOME | 2025<br>£  | 2024<br>£ |
|--------------------------------|------------|-----------|
| Bank interest                  | 119        | -         |
|                                | <u>119</u> | <u>-</u>  |

**8. EMPLOYEES AND REMUNERATION****Number of employees**

The average number of persons employed (including executive directors) during the financial year was as follows:

|                           | 2025<br>Number | 2024<br>Number |
|---------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Administration            | <u>1</u>       | <u>1</u>       |
| The staff costs comprise: | 2025<br>£      | 2024<br>£      |
| Wages and salaries        | <u>17,898</u>  | <u>11,862</u>  |

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

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**9. RESERVES**

|                                | 2025<br>£     | 2024<br>£     |
|--------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| At the beginning of the year   | 75,483        | 59,468        |
| Surplus for the financial year | 8,942         | 16,015        |
| At the end of the year         | <u>84,425</u> | <u>75,483</u> |

**10. FUNDS**

**10.1 RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

|                                    | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Total<br>Funds<br>£ |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| At 1 September 2023                | 59,468                     | -                        | 59,468              |
| Movement during the financial year | 1,560                      | 14,455                   | 16,015              |
| At 31 August 2024                  | 61,029                     | 14,454                   | 75,483              |
| Movement during the financial year | 16,782                     | (7,840)                  | 8,942               |
| At 31 August 2025                  | <u>77,811</u>              | <u>6,614</u>             | <u>84,425</u>       |

**10.2 ANALYSIS OF MOVEMENTS ON FUNDS**

|                           | Balance<br>1 September<br>2024<br>£ | Income<br>£   | Expenditure<br>£ | Transfers<br>between<br>funds<br>£ | Balance<br>31 August<br>2025<br>£ |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>Restricted funds</b>   |                                     |               |                  |                                    |                                   |
| Sparrow (Refresh)         | 14,454                              | 4,255         | 12,095           | -                                  | 6,614                             |
| <b>Unrestricted funds</b> |                                     |               |                  |                                    |                                   |
| Unrestricted General      | 61,029                              | 54,186        | 37,404           | -                                  | 77,811                            |
| <b>Total funds</b>        | <u>75,483</u>                       | <u>58,441</u> | <u>49,499</u>    | <u>-</u>                           | <u>84,425</u>                     |

**10.3 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND**

|                            | Current<br>assets<br>£ | Total<br>£    |
|----------------------------|------------------------|---------------|
| Restricted funds           | 6,614                  | 6,614         |
| Unrestricted general funds | 77,811                 | 77,811        |
|                            | <u>84,425</u>          | <u>84,425</u> |

**11. STATUS**

The charity is a company limited by guarantee not having a share capital.

The liability of the members is limited.

Every member of the company undertakes to contribute to the assets of the company in the event of its being wound up while they are members, or within one financial year thereafter, for the payment of the debts and liabilities of the company contracted before they ceased to be members, and the costs, charges and expenses of winding up, and for the adjustment of the rights of the contributors among themselves, such amount as may be required, not exceeding £ 1.

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| 12. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION | 2025<br>£ | 2024<br>£    |
|-----------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Fees                        | -         | 566          |
| Remuneration                | -         | 9,318        |
|                             | <u>-</u>  | <u>9,884</u> |
|                             | <u>-</u>  | <u>9,884</u> |

Trustees' remuneration relates to payment in relation to work carried out as an employee rather than payment for services as a Trustee. There were no Trustees' remuneration or expense paid for the year ended 31 August 2025.

**13. POST-BALANCE SHEET EVENTS**

There have been no significant events affecting the Charity since the financial year-end.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**RELATING TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025**

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### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION RELATING TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Operating Statement

for the financial year ended 31 August 2025

|                                     | 2025<br>£     | 2024<br>£     |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| <b>Income</b>                       | <b>58,322</b> | <b>67,939</b> |
| <b>Expenses</b>                     |               |               |
| Salaries                            | 17,898        | 1,978         |
| Trustees' salaries                  | -             | 9,318         |
| Trustees' expenses                  | -             | 566           |
| Ministry                            | 1,628         | 1,093         |
| Children's ministry                 | 352           | 744           |
| Worship                             | 2,377         | 3,530         |
| Speakers                            | 105           | 92            |
| Outreach                            | 755           | -             |
| Fellowship                          | 828           | 889           |
| Outgifting                          | 2,450         | 3,455         |
| Compassion                          | 1,768         | 7,970         |
| Sparrow Centre expenses             | 10,327        | -             |
| Church Running                      | 4,148         | 17,925        |
| Insurance                           | 727           | 552           |
| Office Expenses                     | 868           | 635           |
| Printing and production             | 149           | 353           |
| Travel costs                        | 453           | -             |
| Professional fees                   | 3,292         | 1,504         |
| Independent Examiner's remuneration | 1,374         | 1,320         |
|                                     | <b>49,499</b> | <b>51,924</b> |
| <b>Miscellaneous income</b>         |               |               |
| Bank interest                       | 119           | -             |
| <b>Net surplus</b>                  | <b>8,942</b>  | <b>16,015</b> |

**Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 107849

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# Accounts

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Company Registration Number: NI654056  
Charity Number: NIC107849

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**Annual Report and Unaudited Financial Statements**

**for the financial year ended 31 August 2024**

McCleary & Company Ltd  
Garvey Studios  
14 Longstone Street  
Lisburn  
Co Antrim  
BT28 1TP  
Northern Ireland

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### **REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <b>Directors</b>                          | Mark Robert Brown<br>Paul Richard Daniels<br>Jonathan Michael McCabe<br>Andrea Howard (Resigned 30 June 2024)           |
| <b>Charity Number in Northern Ireland</b> | NIC107849   |
| <b>Company Registration Number</b>        | NI654056  |
| <b>Registered Office</b>                  | 61 Clover Brook<br>Larne<br>Co Antrim<br>BT40 2UP<br>Northern Ireland   |
| <b>Independent Examiner</b>               | McCleary & Company Ltd<br>Garvey Studios<br>14 Longstone Street<br>Lisburn<br>Co Antrim<br>BT28 1TP<br>Northern Ireland |

# **Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**

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## **DIRECTORS' ANNUAL REPORT**

for the financial year ended 31 August 2024

The directors present their Directors' Annual Report, combining the Directors' Report and Trustees' Report, and the unaudited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 August 2024.

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

The Directors' Report contains the information required to be provided in the Directors' Annual Report under the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) guidelines. The directors of the charity are also charity trustees for the purpose of charity law and under the charity's constitution are known as members of the board of trustees.

In this report the directors of Antrim Coast Vineyard Church present a summary of its purpose, governance, activities, achievements and finances for the financial year 31 August 2024.

The charity is a registered charity and hence the report and results are presented in a form which complies with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and, although not obliged to comply with the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland FRS 102, the organisation has implemented its recommendations where relevant in these financial statements.

### **Mission, Objectives and Strategy**

#### **Objectives**

The objectives of Antrim Coast Vineyard Church are to seek and advance the Kingdom of God in Larne Town, Antrim Coast, and the surrounding area by furthering the gospel of Jesus Christ, building up the faith of Christian believers, sharing in the training of Christian workers, promoting Christian education and bring relief to the poor, the needy and the sick.

During the year, the church has fulfilled these objectives as set out below.

#### **Strategy**

##### **Connected Charities**

During this period, we supported the work of four charities listed below by way of Financial or Giving support. The following represent our commitment and support to Charities at a Local, National, and international level.

##### **1. Larne Food Bank (Trussell Trust) (Local)**

Below is a brief outline of their mission: -

- To end hunger and Poverty in the UK
- Bringing communities together to end hunger and poverty in the UK by providing compassionate, practical help with dignity whilst challenging injustice.

##### **2. YMCA Larne (Local)**

Below is a brief outline of their mission:-

Our YMCA vision is a world where every person lives in harmony with self, with society and with creation.

Our YMCA mission is to empower young people and communities worldwide to build a just, sustainable, equitable and inclusive world, where every person can thrive in body, mind and spirit.

##### **3. Stand by Me (International)**

Below is a brief outline of their Vision: -

Through our children's homes, schools, and care centres, we aim to meet the individual needs of children who are orphaned, abandoned, abused and victims of war or disease or are living in extreme poverty. We aim to make lasting improvements to children's lives, caring for them as Jesus would, by restoring their dignity and giving them a sense of self-worth. We want every child entrusted to us to feel loved and to reach their full potential.

##### **4. Vineyard Churches UK & Ireland ("VCUKI") (National)**

VCUKI exists to connect churches that hold common values and practices. It gives spiritual oversight to the senior pastors of Vineyard Churches and facilitates church planting such as Antrim Coast Vineyard. Vineyard use the name "Vineyard" by agreement.

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### **Governing Document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

Antrim Coast Vineyard Church is a registered charity, charity number NI654056 duly constituted by means of its Memorandum and Articles of Association and operating as a church.

The Church is also registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, Charity number 107849.

### **Organisational Structure**

Antrim Coast Vineyard Church is a company limited by guarantee (company number NI654056) in which the company directors also form the board of Trustees. The liability of each Trustee in the event of a winding up is limited to £1. The Church is associated to Vineyard Churches UK. The association provides pastoral care for the Senior Pastors and family and an external reference concerning church affairs and doctrine.

The day to day running of the church is by the Senior Pastors, Andrew Howard, and Andrea Howard, alongside a leadership team.

### **Induction and training of new trustees**

New Trustees are appointed when appropriate. Suitable candidates, who are generally selected from within the membership of Antrim Coast Vineyard, are considered on basis of their skills, experience, and sympathy with the aims of the church. New Trustees have the opportunity of reviewing appropriate documents, including the accounts, as part of the induction process.

### **Review of Activities, Achievements and Performance**

Performance against objectives.

The level of performance against objectives is, in the main, a reflection of the activity of the Church members of Antrim Coast Vineyard Church who volunteer their time, energy and money freely because of faith. The leadership and organisation of this activity is the primary responsibility of the senior pastors and a leadership team in support of the senior pastors.

Furthering the Gospel of Jesus Christ and Advancing the Kingdom of God.

Antrim Coast Vineyard Church aims to advance the Kingdom of God throughout the town of Larne, Antrim coast and surrounding areas, across the whole country and the island of Ireland.

Our Church has actively worked in our local communities to be a blessing in practical and relational ways.

The Church welcomes those of all or no faiths and from every background and community who wish to visit during our Church gatherings.

Sunday gatherings were held at Unit 1D, Ledcom Industrial Estate, 100 Bank Road, Larne BT40 3AW until 30th June 2024.

To promote community engagement and bring the Gospel of Jesus Christ and Advance the Kingdom of God we have run the following numerous events in addition to regular Sunday gatherings.

2023

- Weekly Sunday Gatherings from Sunday 3rd September – Sunday 10th December
- Light Kids Program meeting weekly on Sundays from 3rd September
- Refresh Hygiene Store open 2x per week from week beginning 4th September – week beginning 18th December
- Coast Women Gather & Graze Friday 8th September
- 6 different Coast Groups (small groups) ran weekly from week beginning 11th September – week beginning 4th December
- Coast Men & Lads Football Match and Food Friday 15th September
- Search Lights Youth Program meeting 2 x Sundays per month from 24th September
- Sunday Together all-age Gathering Sunday 1st October
- School Blessing Project through October 2023
- Refresh Hygiene Store host Scouts evening Friday 6th October
- Birthday Celebration Gathering Sunday 8th October
- Half- Term Family Brunch Sunday 5th November

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- Inter-Denominational Healing Service Sunday 19th November
- Coast Women half-day Retreat Saturday 25th November
- Coast Women Christmas Gather & Graze Friday 8th December
- Coast Men Christmas Cinema Trip Saturday 9th December
- Light Kids Christmas Nativity Sunday 10th December
- Christmas Coffee and Carols Sunday 17th December
- Light Kids Christmas Party Sunday 17th December
- Christmas Breakfast Bundles Packing & Delivering Sunday 24th December
- Online New Year's Eve Carol Service Sunday 31st December

2024

- New Year Worship Night Thursday 4th January
- Weekly Sunday Gatherings from Sunday 7th January – Sunday 30th June
- Light Kids Program meeting weekly on Sundays from 7th January
- Refresh Hygiene Store open 2x per week from week beginning 8th January – week beginning 24th June
- Search Lights Youth Program meeting 2 x Sundays per month from 14th January
- 5 different Coast Groups (small groups) ran fortnightly from week beginning 22nd January – week beginning 11th March
- Sunday Together all-age Gathering Sunday 11th February
- Light Kids Coast Girls Evening Friday 16th February
- Celebrating Women Gathering Sunday 10th March
- Palm Sunday Gathering Sunday 24th March
- Good Friday Worship and Prayer Friday 29th March
- Coast Women half-day Retreat Saturday 30th March
- Easter Sunday Celebration Sunday 31st March
- Easter Brunch and Activities Sunday 7th April
- 5 different Coast Groups (small groups) ran fortnightly from week beginning 17th April – week beginning 27th May
- Baptism Celebrations at Older fleet Rowing Club Sunday 19th May
- Refresh Hygiene Store Asda Day Saturday 25th May
- ACV Special Family Gathering Sunday 26th May
- June Prayer Gatherings Tuesday 4th and 18th June
- Coast Women Gather & Graze Friday 7th June
- Coast Men Noodle Night Friday 14th June
- Fathers of All Kinds Celebration Sunday 16th June
- Worship Song writing Day Saturday 22nd June
- Celebration Sunday at Ledcom Sunday 30th June
- Search Lights at Summer Madness Sunday 30th June
- July Prayer Gatherings Tuesday 2nd and 16th July
- July Family Summer Walk in Glenarm Sunday 7th July
- July Summer Gathering in Glenarm Sunday 14th July
- Refresh Hygiene Store open 18th and 25th July
- July Summer Gathering in Larne Sunday 21st July
- July Summer Gathering in Whitehead Sunday 28th July
- Refresh Hygiene Store open x 4 Thursday from 1st August
- Coast Women Summer Read Friday 2nd August
- August Summer Gathering in Larne Sunday 4th August
- August Prayer Meetings Tuesday 6th and 20th August
- Summer BBQ Islandmagee Sunday 11th August
- August Summer Gathering Glenarm Sunday 18th August

An overview of our community activities and special events can be found on

<https://antrimcoastvineyard.org>

<https://www.facebook.com/antrimcoastvineyard>

<https://www.instagram.com/antrimcoastvineyard>

Building up the Faith of Christian Believers, Training, and education.

Attendance at Church gatherings and life groups remained steady throughout this period.

Relieving the Poor, those in need and the sick.

Antrim Coast Vineyard Church actively seeks ways to bless and practically serve our community, especially the poor, those in need, young and old, including those who are outside our church community. Examples of this are as follows:-

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### **Sparrow Centre (Antrim Coast Vineyard)**

In 23/24 the Church has continued to provide Refresh, a hygiene store where the community can visit to avail of free personal care and hygiene items at Unit 2, LEDCOM industrial estate Larne.

Refresh our hygiene store in The Sparrow Centre is stocked with a wide selection of basic toiletries and laundry products. We believe everyone within our local community has the right to feel clean, and with an emphasis on dignity, Refresh also provides other items (such as haircare, skincare, and makeup products). Refresh is stocked by local donations, from community, friends, and supporters – people who are passionate about working together to provide accessible spaces of dignity and hope.

Affording dignity means our service is on a non-referral basis, though referrals from community partners are welcome. Individuals & families are invited to pick up essential items they need, free of charge, no referral necessary. In 2023 we created a Visitor Agreement which included up to two monthly visits per household with a maximum of 20 items per visit. We work with Larne Foodbank, Home Start, Baby Bank, Sure Start, Larne Community Fridge, In-kind Direct and other organisations. Currently we open twice per week, staffed by a team of volunteers from our Church community.

### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

Community Engagement and Support

### **Sparrow Centre (Antrim Coast Vineyard)**

As above, the Church has identified a need for providing free personal care and hygiene items to the local community and opened additional premises in October 2022 for the purpose of providing these services.

### **Foodbank**

In partnership, Antrim Coast Vineyard Church have supported the Larne Food Bank (Trussell Trust) by providing financial donations and essential foodstuffs and other necessary items. We have been informally approached by the Foodbank as of August 2024 to consider partnership for their Christmas Hamper Appeal. A meeting is to be arranged in the autumn time TBC.

### **Larne Community Cluster Group**

Antrim Coast Vineyard through The Sparrow Centre has joined The Larne Community Cluster Group. This is MEA Council's Community Development initiative, which promotes collaboration across community groups to deliver benefits, not only for the participating groups, but also for the wider community. The overarching aim of Council's strategic approach to community development is that The MEA Council area is recognised as a place where the community and partner organisations work together cohesively and effectively to improve the quality of life of residents.

Through The partnership collaboration of the group, The Sparrow Centre is working together with others to improve the quality of life for the local Larne and Antrim Coast area.

### **Summary**

It should be noted the above is not a complete list of activities. However, they demonstrate Antrim Coast Vineyard Church is continuing to fulfil its obligations and achieve its objectives.

### **Financial Review**

The results for the financial year are set out on page 12 and additional notes are provided showing income and expenditure in greater detail.

### **Employment**

The Charity currently employs Senior Pastor Andrea Howard on a part time basis, 10 hours per week.

### **Investment Policy**

The constitution of Antrim Coast Vineyard Church authorises the Trustees to make and hold investments using its funds. Cash balances are currently held with the HSBC Bank.

### **Reserves Policy**

The Trustees who served in this period have undertaken the work of the charity, identified the major risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that all appropriate policies are in place to mitigate these risks.

Antrim Coast Vineyard maintains reserves in order to cover fluctuations in income and expenditure, and to allow for any major unexpected expenditure, or to mitigate any decline in the overall financial environment.

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### New Building

With the increasing need for further Church space and capacity, the Trustee's and supporting volunteers identified a larger suitable space at the YMCA building, Pound Street Larne.

The wider Church family were also invited to visit the new space, and the feedback received was positive.

Subsequently, it was agreed that the new building met the needs of the Church, and the YMCA was approved as being the new location for Antrim Coast Vineyard Church gatherings, effective from 1st September 2024.

From a financial point of view, the rental costs of the new building will also provide a significant financial savings to the Church.

### Community Grant

During March 2024, the National Lottery Community fund donated £20,000 to Antrim Coast Vineyard Church in support of the running costs of the Compassion Refresh project at the Sparrow Centre, Unit 2, LEDCOM Industrial estate, Larne.

These funds are restricted to the said project and are valid for a period of 2 years.

### CARRYING ON OUR WORK

The Senior Pastors, volunteer team of Antrim Coast Vineyard Church will continue to build on the work that is already happening in the church in order to follow God, to form an authentic community of believers and fulfil the Kingdom ministries left to us. We desire to intentionally see lives transformed by Jesus starting with our own. We will continue to grow our outreach projects, working with the poor in Larne, Antrim coast and surrounding areas, both practically and relationally and we will continue to serve our community as a whole.

We will continue to support our connected charities locally, nationally, and internationally by way of ongoing financial and giving support.

We will continue to operate as a "Come as You Are" church and always seek to make room for another.

### Financial Results

At the end of the financial year the charity has assets of £75,483 (2023 - £59,468) and liabilities of £0.00 (2023 - £0.00). The net assets of the charity have increased by £16,015.

### Directors

The directors who served throughout the financial year, except as noted, were as follows:

Mark Robert Brown

Paul Richard Daniels

Jonathan Michael McCabe

Andrea Howard (Resigned 30 June 2024)

In accordance with the Constitution, the directors retire by rotation and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

### Compliance with Sector-Wide Legislation and Standards

The charity engages pro-actively with legislation, standards and codes which are developed for the sector. Antrim Coast Vineyard Church subscribes to and is compliant with the following:

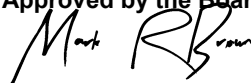
- The Companies Act 2006
- The Charities SORP (FRS 102)

### Risk Management

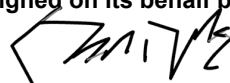
The systems of internal control are designated to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance against material misstatement or loss. They include:

- An annual budget approved by the Trustees.
- Regular review by the Trustees of financial reports
- Identification and management of risk

Approved by the Board of Directors on 4 April 2025 and signed on its behalf by:



Mark Robert Brown  
Trustee



Jonathan Michael McCabe  
Trustee

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# **STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES**

for the financial year ended 31 August 2024

The directors are responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law) including FRS102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland". Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the net income or expenditure of the charity for that period.

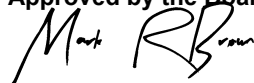
In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the relevant financial reporting framework, identify those standards, and note the effect and the reasons for any material departure from those standards; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The directors confirm that they have complied with the above requirements in preparing the financial statements.

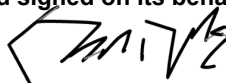
The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. 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.

Approved by the Board of Directors on 4 April 2025 and signed on its behalf by:



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**Mark Robert Brown**  
Trustee



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**Jonathan Michael McCabe**  
Trustee

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# **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF ANTRIM COAST VINEYARD CHURCH**

We have examined the financial statements of the charity for the financial year ended 31 August 2024, which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities (incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account), the Balance Sheet and the related notes.

### **Respective responsibilities of directors and examiner**

The charity's trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006. The charity's directors consider that an audit is not required for this financial year under Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and that an independent examination is required.

It is our responsibility to:

- examine the financial statements under section 65 of the Charities Act;
- follow the procedures laid down by the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

### **Basis of independent examiner's report**

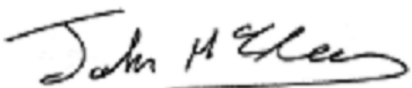
We have examined your charity financial statements as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and our examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from the directors 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.

In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention which gives us cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006
- the financial statements do not accord with those accounting records
- the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102)
- there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

### **Independent examiner's statement**

We 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 financial statements to be reached.



**John McCleary FCA**  
**MCCLEARY & COMPANY LTD**  
Garvey Studios  
14 Longstone Street  
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Co Antrim  
BT28 1TP  
Northern Ireland

**Date: 4 April 2025**

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### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

(Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account)

for the financial year ended 31 August 2024

|   |              | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>2024<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>2024<br>£ | Total<br>Funds<br>2024<br>£ | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>2023<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>2023<br>£ | Total<br>Funds<br>2023<br>£ |
|---|--------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Income</b>                                       | <b>Notes</b> |                                    |                                  |                             |                                    |                                  |                             |
| Donations and legacies                              | 3.1          | 45,732                             | 22,207                           | 67,939                      | 36,161                             | 3,811                            | 39,972                      |
| <b>Expenditure</b>                                  |              |                                    |                                  |                             |                                    |                                  |                             |
| Charitable activities                               | 4.1          | 44,172                             | 7,752                            | 51,924                      | 41,953                             | 8,167                            | 50,120                      |
| <b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>                     |              | <b>1,560</b>                       | <b>14,455</b>                    | <b>16,015</b>               | (5,792)                            | (4,356)                          | (10,148)                    |
| Transfers between funds                             |              | -                                  | -                                | -                           | (4,356)                            | 4,356                            | -                           |
| <b>Net movement in funds for the financial year</b> |              | <b>1,560</b>                       | <b>14,455</b>                    | <b>16,015</b>               | (10,148)                           | -                                | (10,148)                    |
| <b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>                     |              |                                    |                                  |                             |                                    |                                  |                             |
| Total funds beginning of the year                   | 9            | 59,468                             | -                                | 59,468                      | 69,616                             | -                                | 69,616                      |
| <b>Total funds at the end of the year</b>           |              | <b>61,028</b>                      | <b>14,455</b>                    | <b>75,483</b>               | 59,468                             | -                                | 59,468                      |

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the financial year. All income and expenditure relate to continuing activities.

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## BALANCE SHEET

as at 31 August 2024

|  | Notes    | 2024<br>£     | 2023<br>£     |
|--|----------|---------------|---------------|
| <b>Current Assets</b>                        |          |               |               |
| Cash at bank and in hand                     |          | 75,483        | 59,468        |
| <b>Net Current Assets</b>                    |          | <u>75,483</u> | <u>59,468</u> |
| <b>Total Assets less Current Liabilities</b> |          | <u>75,483</u> | <u>59,468</u> |
| <b>Funds</b>                                 |          |               |               |
| Restricted funds                             |          | 14,455        | -             |
| General fund (unrestricted)                  |          | 61,028        | 59,468        |
| <b>Total funds</b>                           | <b>9</b> | <u>75,483</u> | <u>59,468</u> |

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

For the financial year ended 31 August 2024 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006; and no notice has been deposited under section 476.

The directors confirm that the members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the financial year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the charity keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 and for preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the end of the financial year and of its profit and loss for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charity.

Approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 4 April 2025 and signed on its behalf by



Mark Robert Brown  
Trustee



Jonathan Michael McCabe  
Trustee

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the financial year ended 31 August 2024

### 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Antrim Coast Vineyard Church is a company limited by guarantee incorporated in Northern Ireland. The registered office of the charity is 61 Clover Brook, Larne, Co Antrim, BT40 2UP, Northern Ireland which is also the principal place of business of the charity. The financial statements have been presented in Pound (£) which is also the functional currency of the charity.

### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the charity's financial statements.

#### **Basis of preparation**

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared on the going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "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".

As permitted by the Companies Act 2006, the charity has varied the standard formats in that act for the Statement of Financial Activities and the Balance Sheet. Departures from the standard formats are to comply with the requirements of the Charities SORP and are in compliance with section 4.7, 10.6 and 15.2 of that SORP.

#### **Statement of compliance**

The financial statements of the charity for the financial year ended 31 August 2024 have been prepared on the going concern basis and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "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".

#### **Cash flow statement**

The charity has availed of the exemption in FRS 102 from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement because it is classified as a small charity.

#### **Fund accounting**

The following are the categories of funds maintained:

#### **Restricted funds**

Restricted funds represent income received which can only be used for particular purposes, as specified by the donors. Such purposes are within the overall objectives of the charity.

#### **Unrestricted funds**

Unrestricted funds consist of General funds.

■ General funds represent amounts which are expendable at the discretion of the board, in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

#### **Income**

Income is recognised by inclusion in the Statement of Financial Activities only when the charity is legally entitled to the income, performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met, the amounts involved can be measured with sufficient reliability and it is probable that the income will be received by the charity.

#### **Income from charitable activities**

Income from charitable activities include income earned from the supply of services under contractual arrangements and from performance related grants which have conditions that specify the provision of particular services to be provided by the charity. Income from government and other co-funders is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to the income because it is fulfilling the conditions contained in the related funding agreements. Where a grant is received in advance, its recognition is deferred and included in creditors. Where entitlement occurs before income is received, it is accrued in debtors.

Grants from governments and other co-funders typically include one of the following types of conditions:

■ Performance based conditions: whereby the charity is contractually entitled to funding only to the extent that

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the core objectives of the grant agreement are achieved. Where the charity is meeting the core objectives of a grant agreement, it recognises the related expenditure, to the extent that it is reimbursable by the donor, as income.

■ Time based conditions: whereby the charity is contractually entitled to funding on the condition that it is utilised in a particular period. In these cases the charity recognises the income to the extent it is utilised within the period specified in the agreement.

In the absence of such conditions, assuming that receipt is probable and the amount can be reliably measured, grant income is recognised once the charity is notified of entitlement.

Grants received towards capital expenditure are credited to the Statement of Financial Activities when received or receivable, whichever is earlier.

#### Expenditure

Expenditure is analysed between costs of charitable activities and raising funds. The costs of each activity are separately accumulated and disclosed, and analysed according to their major components. Expenditure is recognised when a legal or constructive obligation exists as a result of a past event, a transfer of economic benefits is required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be reliably measured. Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but cannot be attributed to one activity. Such costs are allocated to activities in proportion to staff time spent or other suitable measure for each activity.

#### Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand comprises cash on deposit at banks requiring less than three months notice of withdrawal.

#### Taxation

No current or deferred taxation arises as the charity has been granted charitable exemption. Irrecoverable valued added tax is expensed as incurred.

| 3.  | INCOME                               |                            |                          |                       |               |
|-----|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| 3.1 | DONATIONS AND LEGACIES               | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | 2024<br>£             | 2023<br>£     |
|     | Donations                            | 32,360                     | 2,207                    | 34,567                | 29,431        |
|     | Gift aid                             | 7,248                      | -                        | 7,248                 | 7,079         |
|     | Grant income                         | -                          | 20,000                   | 20,000                | -             |
|     | Other income                         | 963                        | -                        | 963                   | 1,189         |
|     | Occasional giving                    | 5,161                      | -                        | 5,161                 | 2,273         |
|     |                                      | <u>45,732</u>              | <u>22,207</u>            | <u>67,939</u>         | <u>39,972</u> |
| 4.  | EXPENDITURE                          |                            |                          |                       |               |
| 4.1 | CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES                | Direct<br>Costs<br>£       | Other<br>Costs<br>£      | Support<br>Costs<br>£ | 2024<br>£     |
|     | Expenditure on charitable activities | <u>37,676</u>              | <u>566</u>               | <u>13,682</u>         | <u>51,924</u> |
|     |                                      |                            |                          | <u>51,924</u>         | <u>50,120</u> |

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| 4.2 SUPPORT COSTS       | Charitable<br>Activities<br>£ | 2024<br>£     | 2023<br>£     |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Professional fees       | 1,504                         | 1,504         | 1,316         |
| Printing and Production | 353                           | 353           | 425           |
| Accountancy fees        | 1,320                         | 1,320         | 1,284         |
| Insurance               | 552                           | 552           | 471           |
| Travel costs            | -                             | -             | 45            |
| Trustees' salaries      | 9,318                         | 9,318         | 10,932        |
| Office expenses         | 635                           | 635           | 613           |
|                         | <u>13,682</u>                 | <u>13,682</u> | <u>15,086</u> |

| 5. ANALYSIS OF SUPPORT COSTS | Basis of<br>Apportionment | 2024<br>£     | 2023<br>£     |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Professional fees            | 100%                      | 1,504         | 1,316         |
| Printing and Production      | 100%                      | 353           | 425           |
| Accountancy fees             | 100%                      | 1,320         | 1,284         |
| Insurance                    | 100%                      | 552           | 471           |
| Travel costs                 | 100%                      | -             | 45            |
| Trustees' salaries           | 100%                      | 9,318         | 10,932        |
| Office expenses              | 100%                      | 635           | 613           |
|                              |                           | <u>13,682</u> | <u>15,086</u> |

| 6. NET INCOME  | 2024<br>£    | 2023<br>£    |
|--|--------------|--------------|
| <b>Net Income is stated after charging/(crediting):</b>                    |              |              |
| Independent Examiner's remuneration:<br>- independent examination services | 1,320        | 1,284        |
|  | <u>1,320</u> | <u>1,284</u> |

#### 7. EMPLOYEES AND REMUNERATION

##### Number of employees

The average number of persons employed (including executive directors) during the financial year was as follows:

|                           | 2024<br>Number | 2023<br>Number |
|---------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Administration            | <u>1</u>       | <u>1</u>       |
| The staff costs comprise: | 2024<br>£      | 2023<br>£      |
| Wages and salaries        | <u>11,862</u>  | <u>11,317</u>  |

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

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#### 8. RESERVES

|  | 2024<br>£     | 2023<br>£     |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| At the beginning of the year             | 59,468        | 69,616        |
| Surplus/(Deficit) for the financial year | 16,015        | (10,148)      |
| At the end of the year                   | <u>75,483</u> | <u>59,468</u> |

#### 9. FUNDS

##### 9.1 RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

|                                    | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Total<br>Funds<br>£ |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| At 1 September 2022                | 69,616                     | -                        | 69,616              |
| Movement during the financial year | (10,148)                   | -                        | (10,148)            |
| At 31 August 2023                  | 59,468                     | -                        | 59,468              |
| Movement during the financial year | 1,560                      | 14,455                   | 16,015              |
| At 31 August 2024                  | <u>61,028</u>              | <u>14,455</u>            | <u>75,483</u>       |

##### 9.2 ANALYSIS OF MOVEMENTS ON FUNDS

|                           | Balance<br>1 September<br>2023<br>£ | Income<br>£   | Expenditure<br>£ | Transfers<br>between<br>funds<br>£ | Balance<br>31 August<br>2024<br>£ |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>Restricted funds</b>   |                                     |               |                  |                                    |                                   |
| Compassion Sparrow Centre | -                                   | 22,207        | 7,752            | -                                  | 14,455                            |
| <b>Unrestricted funds</b> |                                     |               |                  |                                    |                                   |
| Unrestricted General      | 59,468                              | 45,732        | 44,172           | -                                  | 61,028                            |
| <b>Total funds</b>        | <u>59,468</u>                       | <u>67,939</u> | <u>51,924</u>    | <u>-</u>                           | <u>75,483</u>                     |

##### 9.3 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

|                            | Current<br>assets<br>£ | Total<br>£    |
|----------------------------|------------------------|---------------|
| Restricted funds           | <u>14,454</u>          | <u>14,454</u> |
| Unrestricted general funds | 61,029                 | 61,029        |
|                            | <u>75,483</u>          | <u>75,483</u> |

#### 10. STATUS

The charity is a company limited by guarantee not having a share capital.

The liability of the members is limited.

Every member of the company undertakes to contribute to the assets of the company in the event of its being wound up while they are members, or within one financial year thereafter, for the payment of the debts and liabilities of the company contracted before they ceased to be members, and the costs, charges and expenses of winding up, and for the adjustment of the rights of the contributors among themselves, such amount as may be required, not exceeding £ 1.

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| 11. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION | 2024                | 2023                 |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
|                             | £                   | £                    |
| Fees                        | 566                 | 385                  |
| Remuneration                | <u>9,318</u>        | <u>10,932</u>        |
|                             | <u><u>9,884</u></u> | <u><u>11,317</u></u> |

Trustees' remuneration relates to payment in relation to work carried out as an employee rather than payment for services as a Trustee.

**12. POST-BALANCE SHEET EVENTS**

There have been no significant events affecting the Charity since the financial year-end.

**ANTRIM COAST VINEYARD CHURCH**  
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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**RELATING TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024**

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### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION RELATING TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Operating Statement

for the financial year ended 31 August 2024

|                                     | 2024<br>£     | 2023<br>£ |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|
| <b>Income</b>                       | <b>67,939</b> | 39,972    |
| <b>Expenses</b>                     |               |           |
| Salaries                            | 1,978         | -         |
| Trustees' salaries Howard Mrs A     | 9,318         | 10,932    |
| Trustees' expenses                  | 566           | 385       |
| Ministry                            | 1,093         | 2,646     |
| Children's ministry                 | 744           | 954       |
| Worship                             | 3,530         | 1,247     |
| Speakers                            | 92            | 100       |
| Fellowship                          | 889           | 467       |
| Outgifting                          | 3,455         | 3,699     |
| Compassion                          | 7,970         | 6,179     |
| Church Running                      | 17,925        | 19,357    |
| Insurance                           | 552           | 471       |
| Office Expenses                     | 635           | 613       |
| Printing and production             | 353           | 425       |
| Travel costs                        | -             | 45        |
| Professional fees                   | 1,504         | 1,316     |
| Independent Examiner's remuneration | 1,320         | 1,284     |
|                                     | <b>51,924</b> | 50,120    |
| <b>Net surplus/(deficit)</b>        | <b>16,015</b> | (10,148)  |

**Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 107849

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# Annual report

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# **Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**

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## **DIRECTORS' ANNUAL REPORT**

for the financial year ended 31 August 2024

The directors present their Directors' Annual Report, combining the Directors' Report and Trustees' Report, and the unaudited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 August 2024.

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

The Directors' Report contains the information required to be provided in the Directors' Annual Report under the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) guidelines. The directors of the charity are also charity trustees for the purpose of charity law and under the charity's constitution are known as members of the board of trustees.

In this report the directors of Antrim Coast Vineyard Church present a summary of its purpose, governance, activities, achievements and finances for the financial year 31 August 2024.

The charity is a registered charity and hence the report and results are presented in a form which complies with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 and, although not obliged to comply with the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland FRS 102, the organisation has implemented its recommendations where relevant in these financial statements.

### **Mission, Objectives and Strategy**

#### **Objectives**

The objectives of Antrim Coast Vineyard Church are to seek and advance the Kingdom of God in Larne Town, Antrim Coast, and the surrounding area by furthering the gospel of Jesus Christ, building up the faith of Christian believers, sharing in the training of Christian workers, promoting Christian education and bring relief to the poor, the needy and the sick.

During the year, the church has fulfilled these objectives as set out below.

#### **Strategy**

##### **Connected Charities**

During this period, we supported the work of four charities listed below by way of Financial or Giving support. The following represent our commitment and support to Charities at a Local, National, and international level.

##### **1. Larne Food Bank (Trussell Trust) (Local)**

Below is a brief outline of their mission: -

- To end hunger and Poverty in the UK
- Bringing communities together to end hunger and poverty in the UK by providing compassionate, practical help with dignity whilst challenging injustice.

##### **2. YMCA Larne (Local)**

Below is a brief outline of their mission:-

Our YMCA vision is a world where every person lives in harmony with self, with society and with creation.

Our YMCA mission is to empower young people and communities worldwide to build a just, sustainable, equitable and inclusive world, where every person can thrive in body, mind and spirit.

##### **3. Stand by Me (International)**

Below is a brief outline of their Vision: -

Through our children's homes, schools, and care centres, we aim to meet the individual needs of children who are orphaned, abandoned, abused and victims of war or disease or are living in extreme poverty. We aim to make lasting improvements to children's lives, caring for them as Jesus would, by restoring their dignity and giving them a sense of self-worth. We want every child entrusted to us to feel loved and to reach their full potential.

##### **4. Vineyard Churches UK & Ireland ("VCUKI") (National)**

VCUKI exists to connect churches that hold common values and practices. It gives spiritual oversight to the senior pastors of Vineyard Churches and facilitates church planting such as Antrim Coast Vineyard. Vineyard use the name "Vineyard" by agreement.

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### **Governing Document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

Antrim Coast Vineyard Church is a registered charity, charity number NI654056 duly constituted by means of its Memorandum and Articles of Association and operating as a church.

The Church is also registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, Charity number 107849.

### **Organisational Structure**

Antrim Coast Vineyard Church is a company limited by guarantee (company number NI654056) in which the company directors also form the board of Trustees. The liability of each Trustee in the event of a winding up is limited to £1. The Church is associated to Vineyard Churches UK. The association provides pastoral care for the Senior Pastors and family and an external reference concerning church affairs and doctrine.

The day to day running of the church is by the Senior Pastors, Andrew Howard, and Andrea Howard, alongside a leadership team.

### **Induction and training of new trustees**

New Trustees are appointed when appropriate. Suitable candidates, who are generally selected from within the membership of Antrim Coast Vineyard, are considered on basis of their skills, experience, and sympathy with the aims of the church. New Trustees have the opportunity of reviewing appropriate documents, including the accounts, as part of the induction process.

### **Review of Activities, Achievements and Performance**

Performance against objectives.

The level of performance against objectives is, in the main, a reflection of the activity of the Church members of Antrim Coast Vineyard Church who volunteer their time, energy and money freely because of faith. The leadership and organisation of this activity is the primary responsibility of the senior pastors and a leadership team in support of the senior pastors.

Furthering the Gospel of Jesus Christ and Advancing the Kingdom of God.

Antrim Coast Vineyard Church aims to advance the Kingdom of God throughout the town of Larne, Antrim coast and surrounding areas, across the whole country and the island of Ireland.

Our Church has actively worked in our local communities to be a blessing in practical and relational ways.

The Church welcomes those of all or no faiths and from every background and community who wish to visit during our Church gatherings.

Sunday gatherings were held at Unit 1D, Ledcom Industrial Estate, 100 Bank Road, Larne BT40 3AW until 30th June 2024.

To promote community engagement and bring the Gospel of Jesus Christ and Advance the Kingdom of God we have run the following numerous events in addition to regular Sunday gatherings.

2023

- Weekly Sunday Gatherings from Sunday 3rd September – Sunday 10th December
- Light Kids Program meeting weekly on Sundays from 3rd September
- Refresh Hygiene Store open 2x per week from week beginning 4th September – week beginning 18th December
- Coast Women Gather & Graze Friday 8th September
- 6 different Coast Groups (small groups) ran weekly from week beginning 11th September – week beginning 4th December
- Coast Men & Lads Football Match and Food Friday 15th September
- Search Lights Youth Program meeting 2 x Sundays per month from 24th September
- Sunday Together all-age Gathering Sunday 1st October
- School Blessing Project through October 2023
- Refresh Hygiene Store host Scouts evening Friday 6th October
- Birthday Celebration Gathering Sunday 8th October
- Half- Term Family Brunch Sunday 5th November

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- Inter-Denominational Healing Service Sunday 19th November
- Coast Women half-day Retreat Saturday 25th November
- Coast Women Christmas Gather & Graze Friday 8th December
- Coast Men Christmas Cinema Trip Saturday 9th December
- Light Kids Christmas Nativity Sunday 10th December
- Christmas Coffee and Carols Sunday 17th December
- Light Kids Christmas Party Sunday 17th December
- Christmas Breakfast Bundles Packing & Delivering Sunday 24th December
- Online New Year's Eve Carol Service Sunday 31st December

2024

- New Year Worship Night Thursday 4th January
- Weekly Sunday Gatherings from Sunday 7th January – Sunday 30th June
- Light Kids Program meeting weekly on Sundays from 7th January
- Refresh Hygiene Store open 2x per week from week beginning 8th January – week beginning 24th June
- Search Lights Youth Program meeting 2 x Sundays per month from 14th January
- 5 different Coast Groups (small groups) ran fortnightly from week beginning 22nd January – week beginning 11th March
- Sunday Together all-age Gathering Sunday 11th February
- Light Kids Coast Girls Evening Friday 16th February
- Celebrating Women Gathering Sunday 10th March
- Palm Sunday Gathering Sunday 24th March
- Good Friday Worship and Prayer Friday 29th March
- Coast Women half-day Retreat Saturday 30th March
- Easter Sunday Celebration Sunday 31st March
- Easter Brunch and Activities Sunday 7th April
- 5 different Coast Groups (small groups) ran fortnightly from week beginning 17th April – week beginning 27th May
- Baptism Celebrations at Older fleet Rowing Club Sunday 19th May
- Refresh Hygiene Store Asda Day Saturday 25th May
- ACV Special Family Gathering Sunday 26th May
- June Prayer Gatherings Tuesday 4th and 18th June
- Coast Women Gather & Graze Friday 7th June
- Coast Men Noodle Night Friday 14th June
- Fathers of All Kinds Celebration Sunday 16th June
- Worship Song writing Day Saturday 22nd June
- Celebration Sunday at Ledcom Sunday 30th June
- Search Lights at Summer Madness Sunday 30th June
- July Prayer Gatherings Tuesday 2nd and 16th July
- July Family Summer Walk in Glenarm Sunday 7th July
- July Summer Gathering in Glenarm Sunday 14th July
- Refresh Hygiene Store open 18th and 25th July
- July Summer Gathering in Larne Sunday 21st July
- July Summer Gathering in Whitehead Sunday 28th July
- Refresh Hygiene Store open x 4 Thursday from 1st August
- Coast Women Summer Read Friday 2nd August
- August Summer Gathering in Larne Sunday 4th August
- August Prayer Meetings Tuesday 6th and 20th August
- Summer BBQ Islandmagee Sunday 11th August
- August Summer Gathering Glenarm Sunday 18th August

An overview of our community activities and special events can be found on

<https://antrimcoastvineyard.org>

<https://www.facebook.com/antrimcoastvineyard>

<https://www.instagram.com/antrimcoastvineyard>

Building up the Faith of Christian Believers, Training, and education.

Attendance at Church gatherings and life groups remained steady throughout this period.

Relieving the Poor, those in need and the sick.

Antrim Coast Vineyard Church actively seeks ways to bless and practically serve our community, especially the poor, those in need, young and old, including those who are outside our church community. Examples of this are as follows:-

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#### Sparrow Centre (Antrim Coast Vineyard)

In 23/24 the Church has continued to provide Refresh, a hygiene store where the community can visit to avail of free personal care and hygiene items at Unit 2, LEDCOM industrial estate Larne.

Refresh our hygiene store in The Sparrow Centre is stocked with a wide selection of basic toiletries and laundry products. We believe everyone within our local community has the right to feel clean, and with an emphasis on dignity, Refresh also provides other items (such as haircare, skincare, and makeup products). Refresh is stocked by local donations, from community, friends, and supporters – people who are passionate about working together to provide accessible spaces of dignity and hope.

Affording dignity means our service is on a non-referral basis, though referrals from community partners are welcome. Individuals & families are invited to pick up essential items they need, free of charge, no referral necessary. In 2023 we created a Visitor Agreement which included up to two monthly visits per household with a maximum of 20 items per visit. We work with Larne Foodbank, Home Start, Baby Bank, Sure Start, Larne Community Fridge, In-kind Direct and other organisations. Currently we open twice per week, staffed by a team of volunteers from our Church community.

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

Community Engagement and Support

#### Sparrow Centre (Antrim Coast Vineyard)

As above, the Church has identified a need for providing free personal care and hygiene items to the local community and opened additional premises in October 2022 for the purpose of providing these services.

#### Foodbank

In partnership, Antrim Coast Vineyard Church have supported the Larne Food Bank (Trussell Trust) by providing financial donations and essential foodstuffs and other necessary items. We have been informally approached by the Foodbank as of August 2024 to consider partnership for their Christmas Hamper Appeal. A meeting is to be arranged in the autumn time TBC.

#### Larne Community Cluster Group

Antrim Coast Vineyard through The Sparrow Centre has joined The Larne Community Cluster Group. This is MEA Council's Community Development initiative, which promotes collaboration across community groups to deliver benefits, not only for the participating groups, but also for the wider community. The overarching aim of Council's strategic approach to community development is that The MEA Council area is recognised as a place where the community and partner organisations work together cohesively and effectively to improve the quality of life of residents.

Through The partnership collaboration of the group, The Sparrow Centre is working together with others to improve the quality of life for the local Larne and Antrim Coast area.

#### Summary

It should be noted the above is not a complete list of activities. However, they demonstrate Antrim Coast Vineyard Church is continuing to fulfil its obligations and achieve its objectives.

#### **Financial Review**

The results for the financial year are set out on page 12 and additional notes are provided showing income and expenditure in greater detail.

#### Employment

The Charity currently employs Senior Pastor Andrea Howard on a part time basis, 10 hours per week.

#### Investment Policy

The constitution of Antrim Coast Vineyard Church authorises the Trustees to make and hold investments using its funds. Cash balances are currently held with the HSBC Bank.

#### Reserves Policy

The Trustees who served in this period have undertaken the work of the charity, identified the major risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that all appropriate policies are in place to mitigate these risks.

Antrim Coast Vineyard maintains reserves in order to cover fluctuations in income and expenditure, and to allow for any major unexpected expenditure, or to mitigate any decline in the overall financial environment.

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### New Building

With the increasing need for further Church space and capacity, the Trustee's and supporting volunteers identified a larger suitable space at the YMCA building, Pound Street Larne.

The wider Church family were also invited to visit the new space, and the feedback received was positive.

Subsequently, it was agreed that the new building met the needs of the Church, and the YMCA was approved as being the new location for Antrim Coast Vineyard Church gatherings, effective from 1st September 2024.

From a financial point of view, the rental costs of the new building will also provide a significant financial savings to the Church.

### Community Grant

During March 2024, the National Lottery Community fund donated £20,000 to Antrim Coast Vineyard Church in support of the running costs of the Compassion Refresh project at the Sparrow Centre, Unit 2, LEDCOM Industrial estate, Larne.

These funds are restricted to the said project and are valid for a period of 2 years.

### CARRYING ON OUR WORK

The Senior Pastors, volunteer team of Antrim Coast Vineyard Church will continue to build on the work that is already happening in the church in order to follow God, to form an authentic community of believers and fulfil the Kingdom ministries left to us. We desire to intentionally see lives transformed by Jesus starting with our own. We will continue to grow our outreach projects, working with the poor in Larne, Antrim coast and surrounding areas, both practically and relationally and we will continue to serve our community as a whole.

We will continue to support our connected charities locally, nationally, and internationally by way of ongoing financial and giving support.

We will continue to operate as a "Come as You Are" church and always seek to make room for another.

### Financial Results

At the end of the financial year the charity has assets of £75,483 (2023 - £59,468) and liabilities of £0.00 (2023 - £0.00). The net assets of the charity have increased by £16,015.

### Directors

The directors who served throughout the financial year, except as noted, were as follows:

Mark Robert Brown

Paul Richard Daniels

Jonathan Michael McCabe

Andrea Howard (Resigned 30 June 2024)

In accordance with the Constitution, the directors retire by rotation and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

### Compliance with Sector-Wide Legislation and Standards

The charity engages pro-actively with legislation, standards and codes which are developed for the sector. Antrim Coast Vineyard Church subscribes to and is compliant with the following:

- The Companies Act 2006
- The Charities SORP (FRS 102)

### Risk Management

The systems of internal control are designated to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance against material misstatement or loss. They include:

- An annual budget approved by the Trustees.
- Regular review by the Trustees of financial reports
- Identification and management of risk

Approved by the Board of Directors on 4 April 2025 and signed on its behalf by:



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Mark Robert Brown  
Trustee



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Jonathan Michael McCabe  
Trustee

**Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 107849

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# Annual return

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## **Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**

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# **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF ANTRIM COAST VINEYARD CHURCH**

We have examined the financial statements of the charity for the financial year ended 31 August 2024, which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities (incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account), the Balance Sheet and the related notes.

### **Respective responsibilities of directors and examiner**

The charity's trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006. The charity's directors consider that an audit is not required for this financial year under Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and that an independent examination is required.

It is our responsibility to:

- examine the financial statements under section 65 of the Charities Act;
- follow the procedures laid down by the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

### **Basis of independent examiner's report**

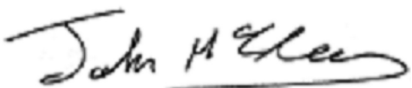
We have examined your charity financial statements as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and our examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from the directors 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.

In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention which gives us cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006
- the financial statements do not accord with those accounting records
- the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102)
- there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

### **Independent examiner's statement**

We 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 financial statements to be reached.



**John McCleary FCA**  
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Northern Ireland

**Date: 4 April 2025**

**Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 107849

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# Accounts

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**REGISTERED COMPANY NUMBER: NI654056 (Northern Ireland)**

**Report of the Trustees and  
Financial Statements  
for the Year Ended 31 August 2023  
for  
Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**

McCleary & Company Ltd  
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**Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**

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for the Year Ended 31 August 2023**

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## **Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**

### **Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 August 2023**

The Trustees who are also directors of the Charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements for the year ending 31 August 2023. The Trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2015).

#### **INCORPORATION**

The Charitable company was incorporated on 28 June 2018.

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

##### **Objectives and aims.**

The objectives of Antrim Coast Vineyard Church are to seek and advance the Kingdom of God in Larne Town, Antrim Coast and the surrounding area by furthering the gospel of Jesus Christ, building up the faith of Christian believers, sharing in the training of Christian workers, promoting Christian education and bringing relief to the poor, the needy and the sick.

During the year, the church has fulfilled these objectives as set out below.

##### **Connected Charities**

During this period, we supported the work of six charities listed below by way of Financial or Giving support. The following represent our commitment and support to Charities at a Local, National, and international level.

##### **1. Stand by Me (International)**

Below is a brief outline of their Vision: -

Through our children's homes, schools, and care centres, we aim to meet the individual needs of children who are orphaned, abandoned, abused and victims of war or disease or are living in extreme poverty. We aim to make lasting improvements to children's lives, caring for them as Jesus would, by restoring their dignity and giving them a sense of self-worth. We want every child entrusted to us to feel loved and to reach their full potential.

##### **2. DEC Disasters Emergency Committee - Syria Turkey earthquake Appeal (International)**

Below is a brief outline of their Vision: -

The DEC brings together 15 leading UK aid charities to raise funds quickly and efficiently at times of crisis overseas.

In these times of crisis, people in life-and-death situations need our help and our mission is to save, protect and rebuild lives through effective humanitarian response.

Pooling our resources to work as one, we are pivotal in co-ordinating the UK public's response to overseas disasters. In collaboration with our Rapid Response Network of national media and corporate partners, we raise the alarm to the UK public by launching high-profile appeals and setting up easy ways to donate.

We have immediate impact, getting help to people who need it, fast.

##### **3. Vineyard Churches UK & Ireland ("VCUKI") (National)**

VCUKI exists to connect churches that hold common values and practices. It gives spiritual oversight to the senior pastors of Vineyard Churches and facilitates church planting such as Antrim Coast Vineyard. Vineyard use the name "Vineyard" by agreement.

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### **Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 August 2023**

#### **4. Larne Food Bank (Trussell Trust) (Local)**

Below is a brief outline of their mission: -

- o To end Hunger and Poverty in the UK
- o Bringing communities together to end hunger and poverty in the UK by providing compassionate practical help with dignity, whilst challenging injustice.

#### **5. Common Wellbeing & Mental Health CIC (Local)**

Below is a brief outline of their mission: -

Common is a Community Interest Company (CIC), passionate about communities and families getting the wellbeing services they need to grow. We provide a range of services in counselling and psychotherapy (in particular CBT) with individuals, families, and communities. We also offer supervision, training, and consultation

#### **6. Lagan Valley Vineyard Church (Local) - Building Project (Compassion, Children, Community & Youth)**

Below is a brief outline of their mission: -

Lagan Valley Vineyard Church exists to bring the life of Jesus to every person and every part of the Lagan Valley region, to see those people and those parts discover and live in the fullness of God's design and destiny for them. Community and Compassion are at our centre, and we love being actively involved in our local area serving families and local agencies who are working for restoration and justice in areas like family support and with dreams that pursue an end to in-justice like domestic violence or isolation and loneliness. We like to dream big and work hard whilst learning to live healthy and balanced lives. Ordinary people, who see and take hold of the promise of the extra-ordinary in the places and sectors we find ourselves, be that education, business, or the voluntary sector. Joining in, bringing life into our every day.

### **Achievements and Performance**

Performance against objectives.

The level of performance against objectives is, in the main, a reflection of the activity of the Church members of Antrim Coast Vineyard Church who volunteer their time, energy and money freely because of faith. The leadership and organisation of this activity is the primary responsibility of the senior pastors and a small church planting team in support of the senior pastors.

#### **Furthering the Gospel of Jesus Christ and Advancing the Kingdom of God.**

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To promote community engagement and bring the Gospel of Jesus Christ and Advance the Kingdom of God we have run the following numerous events in addition to regular Sunday gatherings.

## **Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**

### **Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 August 2023**

#### **2022**

- o Coast Men BBQ Gathering, Friday 15th September
- o 6 different Coast Groups, (small groups), ran fortnightly from week beginning 26th September - week beginning 12th December
- o Sunday Together all-age Gathering, Sunday 2nd October
- o Sparrow Centre (New Compassion Project) Open day, Friday 7th October
- o Coast Women Autumn Lunch, Sunday 9th October
- o Refresh Hygiene Store, open 3x per week from week beginning 10th October - week beginning 19th December
- o Restart Employment Project, commenced week beginning 10th October - week beginning 19th December
- o Café Refresh ran on Friday mornings from Friday 14th October - Friday 10th December
- o Sunday Together all-age Half-Term Brunch, Sunday 6th November
- o Family Thanksgiving Supper, Friday 25th November
- o Giving Sunday, donations for Larne Foodbank, Sunday 27th November
- o Advent Sunday Together all-age, Sunday 4th December
- o Coast Women Gather & Graze Wreath Making, Friday 9th December
- o Light Kids Christmas Party Celebration, Friday 16th December
- o Youth Christmas Movie Night, Friday 16th December
- o Christmas Celebration and Carols, Sunday 18th December
- o Online Christmas Day Gathering, Sunday 25th December

#### **2023**

- o Refresh Hygiene Store, open 3x per week from week beginning 1st January - week beginning 25th March
- o Restart Employment Project, commenced from week beginning 1st January - week beginning 25th March
- o New Year Worship Night, Wednesday 4th January
- o CAP Money Course, Wednesday evenings 11th, 18th, 25th January
- o 6 different Coast Groups, (small groups), ran fortnightly from week beginning 16th January - week beginning 20th March
- o Coast Men Noodle Night, Friday 10th February
- o Girl's Night, (p1-p7 age), Friday 17th February
- o Sunday Together all-age Half-Term Brunch, Sunday 19th February
- o Light Kids Trip to Larne Fire Station, Sunday 12th March
- o Giving Sunday, donations for Larne Foodbank, Sunday 26th March
- o Good Friday Worship Night, Friday 7th April
- o Easter Sunday all-age Gathering, Sunday 9th April
- o Easter Sunday Community & Coffee on the beach, Sunday 9th April
- o Refresh Hygiene Store, open 3x per week from week beginning 17th April - week beginning 26th June.
- o The Prayer Practice, Tuesday evenings 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd May
- o Coast Women Night of Worship, Teaching and Ministry, Saturday 13th May
- o Free New School Uniforms Essentials community Collection Hub, Wednesday 17th May
- o Baptism Celebrations at Olderfleet Rowing Club, Sunday 21st May
- o Light Kids Walk for Stand By Me, Sunday 4th June
- o Coast Men Curry Night, Thursday 15th June
- o Coast Women Picnic on the Beach, Friday 16th June
- o NUA festival Family Gathering, Sunday 25th June
- o Refresh Hygiene Store, open 2x per week from week beginning 3rd July - week beginning 31st August
- o Youth Gathering at Summer Madness Festival, Sunday 2nd July
- o Summer Picnics, Sundays 9th & 23rd July
- o Summer Worship Night, Thursday 20th July
- o Summer Picnics Sundays, 6th & 20th August

## **Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**

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- o Summer Worship Night, Wednesday 23rd August
- o Sunday Together all-age Gathering inc lunch, Sunday 27th August

An overview of our community activities and special events can be found on  
<https://antrimcoastvineyard.org>  
<https://www.facebook.com/antrimcoastvineyard>  
<https://www.instagram.com/antrimcoastvineyard>

#### **Building up the Faith of Christian Believers, Training, and education.**

Attendance at Church gatherings and life groups remained steady throughout this period.

#### **Relieving the poor, those in need and the sick.**

Antrim Coast Vineyard Church actively seeks ways to bless and practically serve our community, especially the poor, those in need, young and old, including those who are outside our church community. Examples of this are as follows:-

#### **Sparrow Centre (Antrim Coast Vineyard)**

In early 2022, the Church identified a need for providing a hygiene store where the community can visit to avail of free personal care and hygiene items. A lease of additional premises was secured for the purpose of providing this service at Unit 2, LEDCOM industrial estate Larne and the doors opened on Friday 7 October 2022.

Refresh, our hygiene store in The Sparrow Centre is stocked with a wide selection of basic toiletries and laundry products. We believe everyone within our local community has the right to feel clean, and with an emphasis on dignity, Refresh also provides other items (such as haircare, skincare, and makeup products). Refresh is stocked entirely by local donations, from community, friends, and supporters - people who are passionate about working together to provide accessible spaces of dignity and hope.

Affording dignity means our service is on a non-referral basis, though referrals from community partners are welcome. Individuals & families are invited to pick up whatever items they need, free of charge, no referral necessary. We work closely with Larne Foodbank, Home Start, Sure Start, Larne Community Fridge and other local organisations. Currently we open 3 times per week. Since launching, we have given out more than 2,000 toiletry products, helping over 200 individuals with poverty hygiene.

### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

#### **Community Engagement and Support**

#### **Sparrow Centre (Antrim Coast Vineyard)**

As above, the Church has identified a need for providing free personal care and hygiene items to the local community and opened additional premises in October 2022 for the purpose of providing these services.

#### **Foodbank**

In partnership, Antrim Coast Vineyard Church have supported the Larne Food Bank (Trussell Trust) by providing financial donations and essential foodstuffs and other necessary items. We had 2 Giving Sundays when donations were collected and then delivered to Larne Foodbank.

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#### **Larne Community Cluster Group**

Antrim Coast Vineyard through The Sparrow Centre has joined The Larne Community Cluster Group. This is MEA Council's Community Development initiative, which promotes collaboration across community groups to deliver benefits, not only for the participating groups, but also for the wider community. The overarching aim of Council's strategic approach to community development is that The MEA Council area is recognised as a place where the community and partner organisations work together cohesively and effectively to improve the quality of life of residents.

Through The partnership collaboration of the group, The Sparrow Centre is working together with others to improve the quality of life for the local Larne and Antrim Coast area.

#### **Summary**

It should be noted the above is not a complete list of activities. However, they demonstrate Antrim Coast Vineyard Church is continuing to fulfil its obligations and achieve its objectives.

### **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

#### **Employment**

The Charity currently employs Senior Pastor Andrea Howard on a part time basis, 10 hours per week.

#### **Investment Policy**

The constitution of Antrim Coast Vineyard Church authorises the Trustees to make and hold investments using its funds. Cash balances are currently held with the HSBC Bank.

#### **Reserves Policy**

The Trustees who served in this period have undertaken the work of the charity, identified the major risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that all appropriate policies are in place to mitigate these risks. During the current year, the income was less than the expenditure however Antrim Coast Vineyard maintains reserves in order to cover fluctuations in income and expenditure, and to allow for any major unexpected expenditure, or to mitigate any decline in the overall financial environment.

### **CARRYING ON OUR WORK**

The Senior Pastors and the volunteer team of Antrim Coast Vineyard Church will continue to build on the work that is already happening in the church in order to follow God, to form an authentic community of believers and fulfil the Kingdom ministries left to us. We desire to intentionally see lives transformed by Jesus starting with our own. We will continue to grow our outreach projects, working with the poor in Larne, Antrim coast and surrounding areas, both practically and relationally and we will continue to serve our community as a whole.

We will continue to support our connected charities locally, nationally, and internationally by way of ongoing financial and giving support.

We will continue to operate as a "Come as You Are" church and always seek to make room for another.

## **Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**

### **Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 August 2023**

#### **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

##### **Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

Antrim Coast Vineyard Church is a registered charity, charity number NI654056 duly constituted by means of its Memorandum and Articles of Association and operating as a church.

The Church is also registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, Charity number 107849.

##### **Organisational structure**

Antrim Coast Vineyard Church is a company limited by guarantee (company number NI654056) in which the company directors also form the board of Trustees. The liability of each Trustee in the event of a winding up is limited to £1. The Church is associated to Vineyard Churches UK. The association provides pastoral care for the Senior Pastors and family and an external reference concerning church affairs and doctrine.

The day to day running of the church is by the Senior Pastors, Andrew Howard, and Andrea Howard, alongside a leadership team.

##### **Induction and training of new trustees**

New Trustees are appointed when appropriate. Suitable candidates, who are generally selected from within the membership of Antrim Coast Vineyard, are considered on basis of their skills, experience, and sympathy with the aims of the church. New Trustees have the opportunity of reviewing appropriate documents, including the accounts, as part of the induction process.

##### **Risk management**

The systems of internal control are designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance against material misstatement or loss. They include:

- An annual budget approved by the Trustees.
- Regular review by the Trustees of financial reports
- Identification and management of risk

#### **REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

##### **Registered Company number**

NI654056 (Northern Ireland)

##### **Registered Charity number**

107849

##### **Registered office**

61 Clover Brook  
Larne  
Co. Antrim  
BT40 2UP

##### **Trustees**

Mr Mark Robert Brown IT Consultant  
Mr Paul Richard Daniels Pastor  
Mrs Andrea Howard Midwife  
Mr Jonathan Michael McCabe Musician (appointed 6.9.22)

**Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**

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for the Year Ended 31 August 2023**

**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Independent Examiner**

John McCleary FCA  
McCleary & Company Ltd  
Chartered Accountants  
Garvey Studios  
14 Longstone Street  
Lisburn  
Co. Antrim  
BT28 1TP

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 17 January 2024 and signed on its behalf by:



Mrs Andrea Howard - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of  
Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 August 2023, which are set out on pages ten to eighteen.

**Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner**

As the charity's trustees (and also the directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

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

- examine the accounts under Section 65 of the Charities Act
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under Section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of the independent examiner's report**

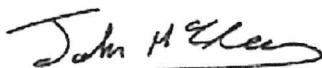
I have examined your charity accounts as required under Section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under Section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act. The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with Section 386 of the Companies Act 2006
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.



John McCleary FCA

McCleary & Company Ltd  
Chartered Accountants  
Garvey Studios  
14 Longstone Street  
Lisburn  
Co. Antrim  
BT28 1TP

17 January 2024

## Antrim Coast Vineyard Church

### Statement of Financial Activities (Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account) for the Year Ended 31 August 2023

|                                     | Notes | Unrestricted<br>fund<br>£ | Restricted<br>funds<br>£ | 31.8.23<br>Total<br>funds<br>£ | 31.8.22<br>Total<br>funds<br>£ |
|-------------------------------------|-------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>   |       |                           |                          |                                |                                |
| Donations and legacies              | 2     | 34,577                    | 1,933                    | 36,510                         | 34,874                         |
| Other income                        |       | 1,584                     | 1,878                    | 3,462                          | 44,014                         |
| <b>Total</b>                        |       | <u>36,161</u>             | <u>3,811</u>             | <u>39,972</u>                  | <u>78,888</u>                  |
| <br><b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>           |       |                           |                          |                                |                                |
| <b>Charitable activities</b>        |       |                           |                          |                                |                                |
| Direct costs                        |       | 41,568                    | 8,167                    | 49,735                         | 21,359                         |
| Support costs                       |       | -                         | -                        | -                              | 33,489                         |
| Other                               |       | 385                       | -                        | 385                            | 664                            |
| <b>Total</b>                        |       | <u>41,953</u>             | <u>8,167</u>             | <u>50,120</u>                  | <u>55,512</u>                  |
| <br><b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b> |       |                           |                          |                                |                                |
| Transfers between funds             | 6     | (5,792)                   | (4,356)                  | (10,148)                       | 23,376                         |
|                                     |       | <u>(4,356)</u>            | <u>4,356</u>             | <u>-</u>                       | <u>-</u>                       |
| <b>Net movement in funds</b>        |       | (10,148)                  | -                        | (10,148)                       | 23,376                         |
| <br><b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>  |       |                           |                          |                                |                                |
| Total funds brought forward         |       | 69,616                    | -                        | 69,616                         | 46,240                         |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>  |       | <u><u>59,468</u></u>      | <u><u>-</u></u>          | <u><u>59,468</u></u>           | <u><u>69,616</u></u>           |

The notes form part of these financial statements

## Antrim Coast Vineyard Church

### Balance Sheet 31 August 2023

|  | Notes | Unrestricted<br>fund<br>£ | Restricted<br>funds<br>£ | 31.8.23<br>Total<br>funds<br>£ | 31.8.22<br>Total<br>funds<br>£ |
|--|-------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>                        |       |                           |                          |                                |                                |
| Cash at bank                                 |       | 59,468                    | -                        | 59,468                         | 69,616                         |
| <b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>                    |       |                           |                          |                                |                                |
|  |       | 59,468                    | -                        | 59,468                         | 69,616                         |
| <b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b> |       |                           |                          |                                |                                |
|  |       | 59,468                    | -                        | 59,468                         | 69,616                         |
| <b>NET ASSETS</b>                            |       |                           |                          |                                |                                |
|  |       | 59,468                    | -                        | 59,468                         | 69,616                         |
| <b>FUNDS</b>                                 |       |                           |                          |                                |                                |
| Unrestricted funds                           | 6     |                           |                          | 59,468                         | 69,616                         |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>                           |       |                           |                          |                                |                                |
|  |       |                           |                          | 59,468                         | 69,616                         |

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 August 2023.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2023 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

**Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**

**Balance Sheet - continued**  
**31 August 2023**

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to charitable companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 17 January 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

Mrs Andrea Howard - Trustee



Mr Mark Robert Brown - Trustee



## Antrim Coast Vineyard Church

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2023

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

##### **Basis of preparing the financial statements**

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

##### **Income**

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

##### **Expenditure**

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

##### **Taxation**

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

##### **Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

#### 2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

|           | 31.8.23       | 31.8.22       |
|-----------|---------------|---------------|
|           | £             | £             |
| Donations | 29,431        | 24,937        |
| Gift aid  | 7,079         | 9,937         |
|           | <u>36,510</u> | <u>34,874</u> |

**Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 August 2023**

**3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

|                           |                   |                   |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                           | 31.8.23           | 31.8.22           |
|                           | £                 | £                 |
| Trustees' salaries        | 10,932            | 7,114             |
|                           | <u>          </u> | <u>          </u> |
| <b>Trustees' expenses</b> |                   |                   |
|                           | 31.8.23           | 31.8.22           |
|                           | £                 | £                 |
| Trustees' expenses        | 385               | 664               |
|                           | <u>          </u> | <u>          </u> |

**4. STAFF COSTS**

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

|                |                   |                   |
|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                | 31.8.23           | 31.8.22           |
| Administration | 1                 | 1                 |
|                | <u>          </u> | <u>          </u> |

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

**5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

|                                   | Unrestricted<br>fund<br>£ | Restricted<br>funds<br>£ | Total<br>funds<br>£ |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b> |                           |                          |                     |
| Donations and legacies            | 34,270                    | 604                      | 34,874              |
| Other income                      | 43,839                    | 175                      | 44,014              |
|                                   | <u>          </u>         | <u>          </u>        | <u>          </u>   |
| <b>Total</b>                      | <b>78,109</b>             | <b>779</b>               | <b>78,888</b>       |
| <br>                              |                           |                          |                     |
| <b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>             |                           |                          |                     |
| <b>Charitable activities</b>      |                           |                          |                     |
| Direct costs                      | 17,342                    | 4,017                    | 21,359              |
| Support costs                     | 33,489                    | -                        | 33,489              |
| Other                             | 664                       | -                        | 664                 |
|                                   | <u>          </u>         | <u>          </u>        | <u>          </u>   |
| <b>Total</b>                      | <b>51,495</b>             | <b>4,017</b>             | <b>55,512</b>       |
| <br>                              |                           |                          |                     |
| <b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>   | <b>26,614</b>             | <b>(3,238)</b>           | <b>23,376</b>       |
| <b>Transfers between funds</b>    | <b>(3,238)</b>            | <b>3,238</b>             | <b>-</b>            |
|                                   | <u>          </u>         | <u>          </u>        | <u>          </u>   |
| <b>Net movement in funds</b>      | <b>23,376</b>             | <b>-</b>                 | <b>23,376</b>       |
| <br>                              |                           |                          |                     |
| <b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>    |                           |                          |                     |
| Total funds brought forward       | 46,240                    | -                        | 46,240              |

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 August 2023**

**5. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued**

|                                    | Unrestricted<br>fund<br>£ | Restricted<br>funds<br>£ | Total<br>funds<br>£ |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b> | 69,616                    | -                        | 69,616              |
|                                    | 69,616                    | -                        | 69,616              |

**6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

|                           | At 1.9.22<br>£ | Net<br>movement<br>in funds<br>£ | Transfers<br>between<br>funds<br>£ | At<br>31.8.23<br>£ |
|---------------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Unrestricted funds</b> |                |                                  |                                    |                    |
| General fund              | 69,616         | (5,792)                          | (4,356)                            | 59,468             |
| <b>Restricted funds</b>   |                |                                  |                                    |                    |
| Compassion Sparrow Centre | -              | (3,699)                          | 3,699                              | -                  |
| Compassion Syria          | -              | (345)                            | 345                                | -                  |
| College Donations Ruth    | -              | (312)                            | 312                                | -                  |
|                           | -              | (4,356)                          | 4,356                              | -                  |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>        | 69,616         | (10,148)                         | -                                  | 59,468             |

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

|                           | Incoming<br>resources<br>£ | Resources<br>expended<br>£ | Movement<br>in funds<br>£ |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>Unrestricted funds</b> |                            |                            |                           |
| General fund              | 36,161                     | (41,953)                   | (5,792)                   |
| <b>Restricted funds</b>   |                            |                            |                           |
| Compassion Sparrow Centre | 2,480                      | (6,179)                    | (3,699)                   |
| Compassion Syria          | 455                        | (800)                      | (345)                     |
| College Donations Ruth    | 876                        | (1,188)                    | (312)                     |
|                           | 3,811                      | (8,167)                    | (4,356)                   |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>        | 39,972                     | (50,120)                   | (10,148)                  |

**Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 August 2023**

**6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

**Comparatives for movement in funds**

|                           | At 1.9.21<br>£ | Net<br>movement<br>in funds<br>£ | Transfers<br>between<br>funds<br>£ | At<br>31.8.22<br>£ |
|---------------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Unrestricted funds</b> |                |                                  |                                    |                    |
| General fund              | 46,240         | 26,614                           | (3,238)                            | 69,616             |
| <b>Restricted funds</b>   |                |                                  |                                    |                    |
| Compassion                | -              | (3,238)                          | 3,238                              | -                  |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>        | <u>46,240</u>  | <u>23,376</u>                    | <u>-</u>                           | <u>69,616</u>      |

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

|                           | Incoming<br>resources<br>£ | Resources<br>expended<br>£ | Movement<br>in funds<br>£ |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>Unrestricted funds</b> |                            |                            |                           |
| General fund              | 78,109                     | (51,495)                   | 26,614                    |
| <b>Restricted funds</b>   |                            |                            |                           |
| Compassion                | 779                        | (4,017)                    | (3,238)                   |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>        | <u>78,888</u>              | <u>(55,512)</u>            | <u>23,376</u>             |

**Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
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**6. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued**

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

|                           | At 1.9.21<br>£ | Net<br>movement<br>in funds<br>£ | Transfers<br>between<br>funds<br>£ | At<br>31.8.23<br>£ |
|---------------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Unrestricted funds</b> |                |                                  |                                    |                    |
| General fund              | 46,240         | 20,822                           | (7,594)                            | 59,468             |
| <b>Restricted funds</b>   |                |                                  |                                    |                    |
| Compassion                | -              | (3,238)                          | 3,238                              | -                  |
| Compassion Sparrow Centre | -              | (3,699)                          | 3,699                              | -                  |
| Compassion Syria          | -              | (345)                            | 345                                | -                  |
| College Donations Ruth    | -              | (312)                            | 312                                | -                  |
|                           | -              | (7,594)                          | 7,594                              | -                  |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>        | <u>46,240</u>  | <u>13,228</u>                    | <u>-</u>                           | <u>59,468</u>      |

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

|                           | Incoming<br>resources<br>£ | Resources<br>expended<br>£ | Movement<br>in funds<br>£ |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>Unrestricted funds</b> |                            |                            |                           |
| General fund              | 114,270                    | (93,448)                   | 20,822                    |
| <b>Restricted funds</b>   |                            |                            |                           |
| Compassion                | 779                        | (4,017)                    | (3,238)                   |
| Compassion Sparrow Centre | 2,480                      | (6,179)                    | (3,699)                   |
| Compassion Syria          | 455                        | (800)                      | (345)                     |
| College Donations Ruth    | 876                        | (1,188)                    | (312)                     |
|                           | 4,590                      | (12,184)                   | (7,594)                   |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>        | <u>118,860</u>             | <u>(105,632)</u>           | <u>13,228</u>             |

**Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
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**7. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

There were no related party transactions for the year, except for those relating to trustees, as reported on note 3.

## Antrim Coast Vineyard Church

### Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 August 2023

|                                 | 31.8.23       | 31.8.22       |
|---------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
|                                 | £             | £             |
| <b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>    |               |               |
| <b>Donations and legacies</b>   |               |               |
| Donations                       | 29,431        | 24,937        |
| Gift aid                        | 7,079         | 9,937         |
|                                 | 36,510        | 34,874        |
| <b>Other income</b>             |               |               |
| Other income                    | 1,189         | 1,166         |
| Occasional giving               | 2,273         | 42,848        |
|                                 | 3,462         | 44,014        |
| <b>Total incoming resources</b> | <b>39,972</b> | <b>78,888</b> |
| <b>EXPENDITURE</b>              |               |               |
| <b>Charitable activities</b>    |               |               |
| Ministry                        | 2,646         | 3,719         |
| Children's ministry             | 954           | 860           |
| Worship                         | 1,247         | 2,388         |
| Speakers                        | 100           | 200           |
| Outreach                        | -             | 227           |
| Fellowship                      | 467           | 758           |
| Outgifting                      | 3,699         | 9,190         |
| Compassion                      | 6,179         | 4,017         |
|                                 | 15,292        | 21,359        |
| <b>Other</b>                    |               |               |
| Trustees' expenses              | 385           | 664           |
| <b>Support costs</b>            |               |               |
| <b>Other</b>                    |               |               |
| Trustees' salaries              | 10,932        | 7,114         |
| Church running                  | 19,357        | 21,585        |
| Office expenses                 | 613           | 628           |
| Professional fees               | 1,316         | 802           |
| Travel costs                    | 45            | 861           |
| Carried forward                 | 32,263        | 30,990        |

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**Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**

**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities  
for the Year Ended 31 August 2023**

|                                 | 31.8.23         | 31.8.22       |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|
|                                 | £               | £             |
| <b>Other</b>                    |                 |               |
| Brought forward                 | 32,263          | 30,990        |
| Printing and production         | 425             | 325           |
|                                 | <u>32,688</u>   | <u>31,315</u> |
| <b>Governance costs</b>         |                 |               |
| Insurance                       | 471             | 495           |
| Accountancy fees                | 1,284           | 1,679         |
|                                 | <u>1,755</u>    | <u>2,174</u>  |
| Total resources expended        | <u>50,120</u>   | <u>55,512</u> |
| <b>Net (expenditure)/income</b> | <u>(10,148)</u> | <u>23,376</u> |

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**Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 107849

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# Annual report

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## **Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**

### **Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 August 2023**

The Trustees who are also directors of the Charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements for the year ending 31 August 2023. The Trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2015).

#### **INCORPORATION**

The Charitable company was incorporated on 28 June 2018.

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

##### **Objectives and aims.**

The objectives of Antrim Coast Vineyard Church are to seek and advance the Kingdom of God in Larne Town, Antrim Coast and the surrounding area by furthering the gospel of Jesus Christ, building up the faith of Christian believers, sharing in the training of Christian workers, promoting Christian education and bringing relief to the poor, the needy and the sick.

During the year, the church has fulfilled these objectives as set out below.

##### **Connected Charities**

During this period, we supported the work of six charities listed below by way of Financial or Giving support. The following represent our commitment and support to Charities at a Local, National, and international level.

##### **1. Stand by Me (International)**

Below is a brief outline of their Vision: -

Through our children's homes, schools, and care centres, we aim to meet the individual needs of children who are orphaned, abandoned, abused and victims of war or disease or are living in extreme poverty. We aim to make lasting improvements to children's lives, caring for them as Jesus would, by restoring their dignity and giving them a sense of self-worth. We want every child entrusted to us to feel loved and to reach their full potential.

##### **2. DEC Disasters Emergency Committee - Syria Turkey earthquake Appeal (International)**

Below is a brief outline of their Vision: -

The DEC brings together 15 leading UK aid charities to raise funds quickly and efficiently at times of crisis overseas.

In these times of crisis, people in life-and-death situations need our help and our mission is to save, protect and rebuild lives through effective humanitarian response.

Pooling our resources to work as one, we are pivotal in co-ordinating the UK public's response to overseas disasters. In collaboration with our Rapid Response Network of national media and corporate partners, we raise the alarm to the UK public by launching high-profile appeals and setting up easy ways to donate.

We have immediate impact, getting help to people who need it, fast.

##### **3. Vineyard Churches UK & Ireland ("VCUKI") (National)**

VCUKI exists to connect churches that hold common values and practices. It gives spiritual oversight to the senior pastors of Vineyard Churches and facilitates church planting such as Antrim Coast Vineyard. Vineyard use the name "Vineyard" by agreement.

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#### **4. Larne Food Bank (Trussell Trust) (Local)**

Below is a brief outline of their mission: -

- o To end Hunger and Poverty in the UK
- o Bringing communities together to end hunger and poverty in the UK by providing compassionate practical help with dignity, whilst challenging injustice.

#### **5. Common Wellbeing & Mental Health CIC (Local)**

Below is a brief outline of their mission: -

Common is a Community Interest Company (CIC), passionate about communities and families getting the wellbeing services they need to grow. We provide a range of services in counselling and psychotherapy (in particular CBT) with individuals, families, and communities. We also offer supervision, training, and consultation

#### **6. Lagan Valley Vineyard Church (Local) - Building Project (Compassion, Children, Community & Youth)**

Below is a brief outline of their mission: -

Lagan Valley Vineyard Church exists to bring the life of Jesus to every person and every part of the Lagan Valley region, to see those people and those parts discover and live in the fullness of God's design and destiny for them. Community and Compassion are at our centre, and we love being actively involved in our local area serving families and local agencies who are working for restoration and justice in areas like family support and with dreams that pursue an end to in-justice like domestic violence or isolation and loneliness. We like to dream big and work hard whilst learning to live healthy and balanced lives. Ordinary people, who see and take hold of the promise of the extra-ordinary in the places and sectors we find ourselves, be that education, business, or the voluntary sector. Joining in, bringing life into our every day.

### **Achievements and Performance**

Performance against objectives.

The level of performance against objectives is, in the main, a reflection of the activity of the Church members of Antrim Coast Vineyard Church who volunteer their time, energy and money freely because of faith. The leadership and organisation of this activity is the primary responsibility of the senior pastors and a small church planting team in support of the senior pastors.

#### **Furthering the Gospel of Jesus Christ and Advancing the Kingdom of God.**

Antrim Coast Vineyard Church aims to advance the Kingdom of God throughout the town of Larne, Antrim coast and surrounding areas, across the whole country and the island of Ireland.

Our Church has actively worked in our local communities to be a blessing in practical and relational ways.

The Church welcomes those of all or no faiths and from every background and community who wish to visit during our Church gatherings.

Sunday gatherings are held at Unit 1D, Ledcom Industrial Estate, 100 Bank Road, Larne BT40 3AW.

To promote community engagement and bring the Gospel of Jesus Christ and Advance the Kingdom of God we have run the following numerous events in addition to regular Sunday gatherings.

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#### **2022**

- o Coast Men BBQ Gathering, Friday 15th September
- o 6 different Coast Groups, (small groups), ran fortnightly from week beginning 26th September - week beginning 12th December
- o Sunday Together all-age Gathering, Sunday 2nd October
- o Sparrow Centre (New Compassion Project) Open day, Friday 7th October
- o Coast Women Autumn Lunch, Sunday 9th October
- o Refresh Hygiene Store, open 3x per week from week beginning 10th October - week beginning 19th December
- o Restart Employment Project, commenced week beginning 10th October - week beginning 19th December
- o Café Refresh ran on Friday mornings from Friday 14th October - Friday 10th December
- o Sunday Together all-age Half-Term Brunch, Sunday 6th November
- o Family Thanksgiving Supper, Friday 25th November
- o Giving Sunday, donations for Larne Foodbank, Sunday 27th November
- o Advent Sunday Together all-age, Sunday 4th December
- o Coast Women Gather & Graze Wreath Making, Friday 9th December
- o Light Kids Christmas Party Celebration, Friday 16th December
- o Youth Christmas Movie Night, Friday 16th December
- o Christmas Celebration and Carols, Sunday 18th December
- o Online Christmas Day Gathering, Sunday 25th December

#### **2023**

- o Refresh Hygiene Store, open 3x per week from week beginning 1st January - week beginning 25th March
- o Restart Employment Project, commenced from week beginning 1st January - week beginning 25th March
- o New Year Worship Night, Wednesday 4th January
- o CAP Money Course, Wednesday evenings 11th, 18th, 25th January
- o 6 different Coast Groups, (small groups), ran fortnightly from week beginning 16th January - week beginning 20th March
- o Coast Men Noodle Night, Friday 10th February
- o Girl's Night, (p1-p7 age), Friday 17th February
- o Sunday Together all-age Half-Term Brunch, Sunday 19th February
- o Light Kids Trip to Larne Fire Station, Sunday 12th March
- o Giving Sunday, donations for Larne Foodbank, Sunday 26th March
- o Good Friday Worship Night, Friday 7th April
- o Easter Sunday all-age Gathering, Sunday 9th April
- o Easter Sunday Community & Coffee on the beach, Sunday 9th April
- o Refresh Hygiene Store, open 3x per week from week beginning 17th April - week beginning 26th June.
- o The Prayer Practice, Tuesday evenings 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd May
- o Coast Women Night of Worship, Teaching and Ministry, Saturday 13th May
- o Free New School Uniforms Essentials community Collection Hub, Wednesday 17th May
- o Baptism Celebrations at Olderfleet Rowing Club, Sunday 21st May
- o Light Kids Walk for Stand By Me, Sunday 4th June
- o Coast Men Curry Night, Thursday 15th June
- o Coast Women Picnic on the Beach, Friday 16th June
- o NUA festival Family Gathering, Sunday 25th June
- o Refresh Hygiene Store, open 2x per week from week beginning 3rd July - week beginning 31st August
- o Youth Gathering at Summer Madness Festival, Sunday 2nd July
- o Summer Picnics, Sundays 9th & 23rd July
- o Summer Worship Night, Thursday 20th July
- o Summer Picnics Sundays, 6th & 20th August

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- o Summer Worship Night, Wednesday 23rd August
- o Sunday Together all-age Gathering inc lunch, Sunday 27th August

An overview of our community activities and special events can be found on  
<https://antrimcoastvineyard.org>  
<https://www.facebook.com/antrimcoastvineyard>  
<https://www.instagram.com/antrimcoastvineyard>

#### **Building up the Faith of Christian Believers, Training, and education.**

Attendance at Church gatherings and life groups remained steady throughout this period.

#### **Relieving the poor, those in need and the sick.**

Antrim Coast Vineyard Church actively seeks ways to bless and practically serve our community, especially the poor, those in need, young and old, including those who are outside our church community. Examples of this are as follows:-

#### **Sparrow Centre (Antrim Coast Vineyard)**

In early 2022, the Church identified a need for providing a hygiene store where the community can visit to avail of free personal care and hygiene items. A lease of additional premises was secured for the purpose of providing this service at Unit 2, LEDCOM industrial estate Larne and the doors opened on Friday 7 October 2022.

Refresh, our hygiene store in The Sparrow Centre is stocked with a wide selection of basic toiletries and laundry products. We believe everyone within our local community has the right to feel clean, and with an emphasis on dignity, Refresh also provides other items (such as haircare, skincare, and makeup products). Refresh is stocked entirely by local donations, from community, friends, and supporters - people who are passionate about working together to provide accessible spaces of dignity and hope.

Affording dignity means our service is on a non-referral basis, though referrals from community partners are welcome. Individuals & families are invited to pick up whatever items they need, free of charge, no referral necessary. We work closely with Larne Foodbank, Home Start, Sure Start, Larne Community Fridge and other local organisations. Currently we open 3 times per week. Since launching, we have given out more than 2,000 toiletry products, helping over 200 individuals with poverty hygiene.

### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

#### **Community Engagement and Support**

#### **Sparrow Centre (Antrim Coast Vineyard)**

As above, the Church has identified a need for providing free personal care and hygiene items to the local community and opened additional premises in October 2022 for the purpose of providing these services.

#### **Foodbank**

In partnership, Antrim Coast Vineyard Church have supported the Larne Food Bank (Trussell Trust) by providing financial donations and essential foodstuffs and other necessary items. We had 2 Giving Sundays when donations were collected and then delivered to Larne Foodbank.

## **Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**

### **Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 August 2023**

#### **Larne Community Cluster Group**

Antrim Coast Vineyard through The Sparrow Centre has joined The Larne Community Cluster Group. This is MEA Council's Community Development initiative, which promotes collaboration across community groups to deliver benefits, not only for the participating groups, but also for the wider community. The overarching aim of Council's strategic approach to community development is that The MEA Council area is recognised as a place where the community and partner organisations work together cohesively and effectively to improve the quality of life of residents.

Through The partnership collaboration of the group, The Sparrow Centre is working together with others to improve the quality of life for the local Larne and Antrim Coast area.

#### **Summary**

It should be noted the above is not a complete list of activities. However, they demonstrate Antrim Coast Vineyard Church is continuing to fulfil its obligations and achieve its objectives.

### **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

#### **Employment**

The Charity currently employs Senior Pastor Andrea Howard on a part time basis, 10 hours per week.

#### **Investment Policy**

The constitution of Antrim Coast Vineyard Church authorises the Trustees to make and hold investments using its funds. Cash balances are currently held with the HSBC Bank.

#### **Reserves Policy**

The Trustees who served in this period have undertaken the work of the charity, identified the major risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that all appropriate policies are in place to mitigate these risks. During the current year, the income was less than the expenditure however Antrim Coast Vineyard maintains reserves in order to cover fluctuations in income and expenditure, and to allow for any major unexpected expenditure, or to mitigate any decline in the overall financial environment.

### **CARRYING ON OUR WORK**

The Senior Pastors and the volunteer team of Antrim Coast Vineyard Church will continue to build on the work that is already happening in the church in order to follow God, to form an authentic community of believers and fulfil the Kingdom ministries left to us. We desire to intentionally see lives transformed by Jesus starting with our own. We will continue to grow our outreach projects, working with the poor in Larne, Antrim coast and surrounding areas, both practically and relationally and we will continue to serve our community as a whole.

We will continue to support our connected charities locally, nationally, and internationally by way of ongoing financial and giving support.

We will continue to operate as a "Come as You Are" church and always seek to make room for another.

## **Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**

### **Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 August 2023**

#### **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

##### **Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

Antrim Coast Vineyard Church is a registered charity, charity number NI654056 duly constituted by means of its Memorandum and Articles of Association and operating as a church.

The Church is also registered with the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, Charity number 107849.

##### **Organisational structure**

Antrim Coast Vineyard Church is a company limited by guarantee (company number NI654056) in which the company directors also form the board of Trustees. The liability of each Trustee in the event of a winding up is limited to £1. The Church is associated to Vineyard Churches UK. The association provides pastoral care for the Senior Pastors and family and an external reference concerning church affairs and doctrine.

The day to day running of the church is by the Senior Pastors, Andrew Howard, and Andrea Howard, alongside a leadership team.

##### **Induction and training of new trustees**

New Trustees are appointed when appropriate. Suitable candidates, who are generally selected from within the membership of Antrim Coast Vineyard, are considered on basis of their skills, experience, and sympathy with the aims of the church. New Trustees have the opportunity of reviewing appropriate documents, including the accounts, as part of the induction process.

##### **Risk management**

The systems of internal control are designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance against material misstatement or loss. They include:

- An annual budget approved by the Trustees.
- Regular review by the Trustees of financial reports
- Identification and management of risk

#### **REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

##### **Registered Company number**

NI654056 (Northern Ireland)

##### **Registered Charity number**

107849

##### **Registered office**

61 Clover Brook  
Larne  
Co. Antrim  
BT40 2UP

##### **Trustees**

Mr Mark Robert Brown IT Consultant  
Mr Paul Richard Daniels Pastor  
Mrs Andrea Howard Midwife  
Mr Jonathan Michael McCabe Musician (appointed 6.9.22)

**Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**

**Report of the Trustees  
for the Year Ended 31 August 2023**

**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Independent Examiner**

John McCleary FCA  
McCleary & Company Ltd  
Chartered Accountants  
Garvey Studios  
14 Longstone Street  
Lisburn  
Co. Antrim  
BT28 1TP

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 17 January 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andrea Howard". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'A'.

Mrs Andrea Howard - Trustee

**Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 107849

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# Annual return

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**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of  
Antrim Coast Vineyard Church**

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 August 2023, which are set out on pages ten to eighteen.

**Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner**

As the charity's trustees (and also the directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

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

- examine the accounts under Section 65 of the Charities Act
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under Section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of the independent examiner's report**

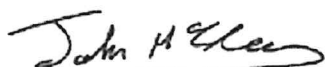
I have examined your charity accounts as required under Section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under Section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act. The examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with Section 386 of the Companies Act 2006
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of Section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.



John McCleary FCA

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17 January 2024