

THE ANCHOR CHURCH NORTH ANTRIM LTD

TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2025

The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 October 2025.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006 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) (effective 1 January 2019)'.

Objectives and activities

The principal activity of the company is to advance the Christian faith by fostering an inclusive community focused on worship, teaching and acts of compassion. Throughout the year, we have pursued the following key objectives:

- **Sunday Gatherings:** Regular worship services provide opportunities for communal praise, Biblical teaching, prayer and fellowship. We aim to create a welcoming environment for individuals and families to connect with God and each other.
- **Community Outreach:** The Anchor Church North Antrim has supported local people in hardship, physically, emotionally and spiritually, including food distribution, financial aid for struggling families and pastoral care for those facing difficult circumstances.
- **Youth and Children's Programmes:** Our youth ministry continues to thrive, offering weekly activities that combine faith development with social engagement. Children's programmes have also played a significant role in nurturing the next generation in Christian values.
- **Discipleship and Growth:** Through small groups, Bible studies and leadership training, we actively encourage personal growth and spiritual development among our members.

The Anchor Church North Antrim is a vibrant and welcoming community dedicated to sharing the love of Jesus Christ with people from all walks of life. Our mission is to offer practical support, promote spiritual growth and create a space where everyone can find belonging, purpose and hope. We are immensely thankful for the dedication of our members, volunteers and supporters. Together we remain committed to building a stronger, more compassionate community through the love and message of Jesus Christ.

Achievements and performance

During the financial year, The Anchor Church North Antrim achieved the following milestones:

- Leased two more rooms, expanded our weekly gatherings, increasing attendance and participation.
- Started home groups and more teaching sessions in the week, increased our different departments and expanded our outreach.
- Improved our online platform to extend our reach and provide accessible content for those unable to attend in person.
- Created a media group to increase our presence on social media.
- Increased our networking with other churches and organisations.

Financial review

The results for the year are set out on page 8. The company returned net incoming resources for the year of £33,705 (2024 - £42,263). At 31 October 2025 the total unrestricted funds of the charity amounted to £75,968 (2024 - £42,263).

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Reserves policy and going concern

The company continues to maintain a healthy financial position, with funds allocated carefully to meet both operational costs and charitable outreach efforts. We are deeply grateful for the generosity of our members, which allows us to sustain and grow our ministries.

The trustees consider that the reserves retained by the company are sufficient for its ongoing needs.

Plans for the future

Looking ahead, The Anchor Church North Antrim intends to:

- Continue to develop all departments and individuals to look at new community projects, particularly in areas of support and family wellbeing.
- Continue to expand our mentorship programme to further support individuals seeking guidance and connection.
- Continue to enhance our digital presence to improve accessibility and communication.

Taxation

The company is a charity (Charity No NIC109937) and is recognised as such by HM Revenue and Customs for taxation purposes. As a result, there is no liability to taxation on any of its income.

Structure, governance and management

The Anchor Church North Antrim Ltd continues to operate as a not-for-profit charitable organisation with company limited by guarantee status. The company was incorporated on 2 October 2023. The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objectives and powers of the company and is governed by its Articles of Association. The liability of its members is limited in that every member of the company undertakes to contribute an amount not exceeding £1 in the event of the company being wound up.

The Anchor Church North Antrim is overseen by a dedicated team of trustees who provide strategic leadership and ensure our activities align with our charitable objectives. The trustees meet regularly to review progress, assess financial matters and plan future initiatives.

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Mr Mark Boreland
Mr Mark Hemus
Ms Rachel McAllister
Mr Jonathan Ogle
Mrs Louise Ogle

(resigned 17 February 2026)

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Appointing of trustees

Trustees must be natural persons aged 18 or older and cannot be disqualified under Article 20. They may not appoint alternates or proxies for meetings. The Trustees control the Charity and its property and funds, and must number between three and six, including one Pastor and one Senior Pastor, all of whom must be members. Each Trustee must sign a declaration of willingness to serve before voting at meetings. Technical defects in appointment, if unknown at the time, do not invalidate decisions. Trustee selection must consider the skills, knowledge, and experience needed for effective administration. At every General Meeting of Anchor Church, one-third of the Directors (Trustees), being those who have served the longest since their last election, shall retire from office and may be eligible for re-election. The Directors also have the power to appoint any person as a Director at any time. The Chairperson and other honorary officers, chosen from among the Trustees, may serve terms of up to three years, renewable once, unless a majority of the remaining Trustees determine otherwise. The Chairperson is exempt from rotational retirement under Article 19.2 but must retire from office after each three-year term unless reappointed and may be removed at any time by a 75% majority of members. The Senior Pastor is also to be a permanent member of the trustee board and is also exempt from rotational retirement.

Related parties and co-operation with other organisations

None of our trustees receive remuneration or other benefit from their work with the charity apart from what is disclosed in note 8 to the financial statements. Any connection between a trustee or senior manager of the charity with any related parties must be disclosed to the full board of trustees in the same way as any other contractual relationship with a related party. In the current year any such related party transactions are reported in note 15 to the financial statements.

Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The trustees (who are also directors for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principals in the Charities SORP;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable UK accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to 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.

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Disclosure of information to independent examiners

Each of the trustees has confirmed that there is no information of which they are aware which is relevant to the independent examination, but of which the independent examiner is unaware. They have further confirmed that they have taken appropriate steps to identify such relevant information and to establish that the independent examiner is aware of such information.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



Mark Hemus
Trustee
9 June 2026