

Scottish Charity number SC009643

Rutherglen Baptist Church
Report & Financial Statements
For the year ending 31st December 2024

Rutherglen Baptist Church

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Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st December 2024

Report of the Trustees

The Trustees are pleased to present their report together with the Financial Statements of the Church for the year ending 31st December 2024.

Status of Charity and Governing Document

Rutherglen Baptist Church is established by Constitution and is registered with HM Revenue & Customs as a Charity. The Scottish Charity Number is SC009643.

Aims and Affiliations

The aims of the Church are in line with its Mission Statement – 'Rutherglen Baptist Community Church as a Christian Community seeks to respond holistically to community need'. The Church is affiliated to the Baptist Union of Scotland.

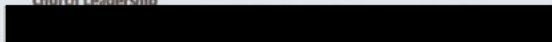
Trustees and Office Bearers

The Church is congregational in policy and its day-to-day running is undertaken by the Office Bearers (the Trustees) and the Church Leadership team. The Office Bearers who served during the year and to the date of the report were as follows:

Trustees



Church Leadership



Appointment of Trustees

There is no fixed term for Trusteeship. Prior to their appointment new Trustees would have served the Church for some time in various roles and would be familiar with the Church's values, its aims and objectives as well as its day-to-day operations. As part of their induction programme new Trustees are required to understand their statutory responsibilities.

Achievements and Performance

During 2024 the congregation continued to meet regularly for worship, prayer and bible study on Sundays and through Midweek Meetings. Support continued to be given by providing premises to ARK, Men's Shed, The Foodbank and Universal Serenity providing complementary therapies.

Monthly breakfast services coupled with Messy Church and open to clients of the Foodbank continued. Support was given to the Glasgow City Mission by providing volunteers for a week to help serve meals. Bimonthly social events were begun to create a venue for inviting non-members to. Church maintenance and cleaning was conducted by members on a monthly basis. New members were welcomed by transfer.

The AGM was held on 27th October 2024 and included an update on progress to becoming an SCIO, involvement of the Baptist Union of Scotland Property group to begin to address property issues and a presentation given on Social Capital theory and relevance to church growth.

Financial Review

Principal Sources of Funding

The Church receives its funding from Church members and attendees by way of weekly offerings, gift aid donations, the activities of the ARK Out of School care club, and hall rental income

Results for the year

The Financial Statements for the year are set out in pages 5-13. The statement of Financial Activities on page 5 reflects net incoming resources of £22,451 (2023: £1,139)

Reserves

It is the policy of the Church to maintain unrestricted funds ie funds not committed or invested in fixed assets, at a level which equates to approximately 3 months unrestricted expenditure ie £30,000 This allows sufficient funds to enable the ongoing work of the Church to be maintained. The General Fund at 31st December 2024 amounted to £137,000 (2023: £148,000) and is significantly above the required level.

Total Reserves including the net book value of fixed assets and balances on restricted funds amounted to £64,103 (2023: £86,554)

Grant making policy

The Church makes grants from its tithed gift income to individuals and organisations that are generally known to the Trustees and the Church. The beneficiaries are involved in activities or ministries compatible with the Church's objectives.

Statement on Risk

The Trustees assess the major risks to which the charity is exposed on an ongoing basis and have established procedures to mitigate those that are identified as a result of these reviews.

Reference and administrative details



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Solicitors



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Trustee Responsibility

Charity law requires Trustees to prepare financial Statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the Church's affairs and of its incoming resources and resources expended, including its surplus or deficit for that year. In preparing these financial statements the Trustees are responsible to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Church will continue its activities.

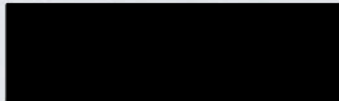
The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the Church's financial position and enable the Trustees to ensure that the financial statements

comply with the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Act (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). The Trustees 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.

In the case of each person who is a Trustee at the time when a Trustee's report is approved:

- So far as each trustee is aware there is no relevant information (information needed by the independent examiner in connection with preparing the report) of which the independent examiner is unaware, and
- Each Trustee has taken all the steps that he/she ought to have taken as a Trustee in order to make themselves aware of any relevant information and to establish that the independent examiner is aware of that information.
- In determining how amounts are presented within items in the Statement of Financial Activities and Balance Sheet, the Trustees have had regard to the substance of the reported transaction or arrangement, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles or practise.

Approved by the Trustees on 2nd December 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

A black rectangular box redacting the signature of a Trustee.

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Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees for the year ending 31st December 2023

I report on the accounts of the Church for the year ending 31st December 2023 which are set out on pages 5-13.

Respective responsibilities of trustee and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustees Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (a) to (c) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(l) (c) of the Act and to state whether any particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiner's Statement

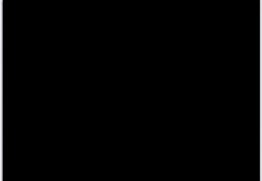
In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention

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

- to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 44 (1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations (as amended), and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 8 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations (as amended)

have not been met, or

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



1st December 2025

Practical Bookkeeping and Accountancy Ltd
Certified Public Accountant

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Statement of Financial Activities

Year Ended 31 December 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds 2024	Restricted Funds 2024	Endowment Funds 2024	Total 2024	Total 2023
Incoming Resources						
Income resources from generated funds						
Voluntary income	1	12918	0	0	12918	19072
Activities for generating funds	2	3400	142181	0	145581	136966
Investment income	3	228	414	0	642	1082
Income resources from charitable activities	4	0	0	0	0	0
Other Incoming Resources		0	0	0	0	0
Total Incoming Resources		16541	142595	0	159136	151120
Resources Expended						
Charitable Activities	5	27232	154355	0	181587	149981
Total Resources Expended		27232	154355	0	181587	149981
Net incoming/outgoing resources before transfers		-10691	-11760	0	-22451	1139
Transfers between funds		0	0	0	0	0
Net incoming/outgoing resources before other recognised gains and losses		-10691	-11760	0	-22451	1139
Gain/Loss on revaluation of investments		0	0	0	0	0
Net movements in funds		-10691	-11760	0	-22451	1139
Total funds brought forward		158284	-71730	0	86554	85415
Total funds carried forward		147593	-83490	0	64103	86554

BALANCE SHEET

At 31 December 2024

	<u>note</u>	2024	2023
Fixed Assets			
Tangible Fixed Assets	8	10634	10951
Investments	9	0	0
		<u>10634</u>	<u>10951</u>
Current Assets			
Debtors	10	36359	29715
Bank and Cash		<u>28883</u>	<u>54028</u>
		65242	83743
Creditors			
Falling due within one year	11	<u>11773</u>	<u>8140</u>
		11773	8140
Net Current Assets		53469	75603
Net Assets		<u>64103</u>	<u>86554</u>
Unrestricted Funds	13		
General Funds		137593	148284
Designated Funds		<u>10000</u>	<u>10000</u>
		147593	158284
Restricted Funds	13	-83490	-71730
Endowment Funds	13	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
		-83490	-71730
Total Funds		<u>64103</u>	<u>86554</u>

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Accounting Policies

Basis of preparation

The principal accounting policies, which have been applied consistently in the current and preceding year in dealing with items which are considered material to the accounts, are set out below.

The charity has adopted the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice; Accounting and Reporting by Charities (issued February 2005) revised October 2009 and in accordance with the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

Fixed Assets

Heritable property is stated at original cost. No depreciation has been charged on heritable property since the Trustees believe that the market value exceeds the current value shown. It is the opinion of the Trustees that this departure from the requirements of FRS15 - Tangible Fixed Assets, does not affect the true and fair view given by the financial statements.

Funds

Funds are classified as either restricted or unrestricted funds, defined as follows.

Restricted funds are funds subject to specific requirements as to their use which may be declared by the donor or with their authority or created through legal processes, but still within the wider objects of the charity.

Endowment funds are funds which have been given on the condition that the original capital sum is not reduced, but the income there from is used for the purpose defined in accordance with the objects of the charity.

Unrestricted funds are expendable at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the objects of the charity.

If parts of the unrestricted funds are earmarked at the discretion of the trustees for a particular purpose, they are designated as a separate fund. This designation has an administrative purpose only and does not legally restrict the trustees' discretion to apply the fund.

Incoming resources

All donations and gifts are included within incoming resources under either unrestricted or restricted funds according to the terms under which the donation is made and when the amount can be quantified with reasonable certainty. Donation and gifts in kind are brought into the accounts at their market value to the charity.

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as the liability is incurred

Notes forming part of the financial statements
for the year ended 31 December 2024

	Unrestricted Funds 2024	Restricted Funds 2024	Endowment Funds 2024	Total 2024	Total 2023
1 Voluntary Income					
Offerings	10862	0	0	10862	10764
Tax Recovered on Gift Aid	2051	0	0	2051	2308
Legacies	0	0	0	0	0
Grants	0	0	0	0	0
Endowment income	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0
	<u>12913</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>12913</u>	<u>13072</u>
2 Activities for Generating Funds					
After School Club fees	0	141739	0	141739	135931
Rental income	3160	0	0	3160	1000
Other	240	442	0	682	35
	<u>3400</u>	<u>142181</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>145581</u>	<u>136966</u>
3 Investment Income					
Deposit Interest	94	0	0	94	0
Dividends Received	0	0	0	0	0
Bank Interest	134	414	0	548	1082
	<u>228</u>	<u>414</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>642</u>	<u>1082</u>
4 Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities					
Weddings and Funerals	0	0	0	0	0
Coffee Mornings etc	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

Notes forming part of the financial statements
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	Unrestricted Funds 2024	Restricted Funds 2024	Total 2024	2023
5 Analysis of Resources Expended				
Charitable activities				
Gross salaries and employer's NI	0	118311	118311	101082
	0	118311	118311	101082
Support Costs				
Heat and light	4113	4886	8999	8227
Property costs	14937	281	15218	8566
Motor and travel costs	0	0	0	214
Church insurance	3779	1410	5189	4201
Independent examination	0	0	0	0
Rent and rates	1574	2345	3919	3331
Printing and stationery	288	1556	1844	4410
Telephone and computer costs	258	1517	1775	280
Subscriptions	163	132	295	294
Professional fees	452	2580	3032	2527
Bank charges	60	0	60	0
Other Expenses	1608	2756	4364	2055
	27232	17463	44695	34085
Other direct costs				
After School club expenses	0	18581	18581	13377
Interest	0	0	0	1437
Bad debts	0	0	0	0
Bad debt provision	0	0	0	0
Institutional donations <£1,000	0	0	0	0
Individual donations <£1,000	0	0	0	0
	0	18581	18581	14814
Total	27232	154355	181587	149981

Notes forming part of the financial statements
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	2024	2023
	£	£
6 Staff costs and numbers		
Salaries and wages	114091	98409
Social security costs	8478	1798
Pension costs	747	875
Total	118311	101082

The average number of employees during the year was 7

7 Trustee Remuneration and Related Party Transactions

No remuneration was paid to any Trustee during the year and no Trustee or a person related to a Trustee had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity during the year.

1 Related party was employed by the trust during the year.

Trustees Katie Paterson was employed as Children's & Families Officer
Salary: £41,954

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8 Tangible Fixed Assets

	Buildings	Office Equipment	Total
Cost			
At 1 January 2024	10000	7832	17832
Additions	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0
At 31 December 2024	<u>10000</u>	<u>7832</u>	<u>17832</u>
Accumulated Depreciation			
At 1 January 2024	0	6881	6881
Charge for year	0	317	317
Eliminated on Disposals	0	0	0
At 31 December 2024	<u>0</u>	<u>7198</u>	<u>7198</u>
Net Book Value			
At 31 December 2023	10000	951	10951
At 31 December 2024	<u>10000</u>	<u>634</u>	<u>10634</u>

9 Investments

	2024	2023
	€	€
Market value at 31 December 2023	0	0
Unrealised gain/(loss) on investments	0	0
Market Value at 31 December 2024	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Investments at cost	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

Notes forming part of the financial statements
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10 Debtors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Gift Aid Refund Due	3838	4864
A/RK debtors	30472	23151
Other	2049	1700
	<u>36359</u>	<u>29715</u>

11 Creditors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Accruals	0	0
Other	11773	8140
	<u>11773</u>	<u>8140</u>

12 Analysis of Net Assets Among Funds

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	634	10000	0	0	10634
Investments	0	0	0	0	0
Current Assets	65242	0	0	0	65242
Current Liabilities	0	0	11773	0	11773
					<u>0</u>
Net Assets at 31 December 2024	<u>65876</u>	<u>10000</u>	<u>-11773</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>64103</u>

Notes forming part of the financial statements
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13 Movement in Funds

	At 1 January 2024	Incoming Resources £	Outgoing Resources £	Transfers £	Gain/Loss revaluation £	At 31 Dec 2024 £
Endowment Funds	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0
Restricted Funds						
Chair Fund	821	0	0	0	0	821
After School Club Fund	-94214	142595	154355	0	0	-105974
Technology Fund	163	0	0	0	0	163
Way Forward Fund	5653	0	0	0	0	5653
Special Projects Fund	15847	0	0	0	0	15847
	-71790	142595	154355	0	0	-83490
Unrestricted Funds						
General Fund	148284	16541	27232	0	0	137593
Designated Assets Fund	10000	0	0	0	0	10000
Total Funds	158284	16541	27232	0	0	147593

Purposes of Restricted Funds

Chair Fund - represents funds donated for the replacement of seating in the church

After School Club Fund - represents income received and expenditure incurred in running the after school club

The Technology Fund - represents funds set aside for the purchase of computer equipment

Way Forward Fund - represents funds set aside to cover the fixed property costs, building projects and supporting families struggling to cover the After School club fees.

Special Projects Fund - represents funds set aside to fund special projects