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Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator

Trustees' Annual Report for the period								
Period start date				Period end date				
From	Day 1 <sup>st</sup>	Month June	Year 2024	To	Day 31 <sup>st</sup>	Month May	Year 2025.	

Reference and administration details

Charity name	Vale of Leven Baptist Church
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number	SC014092
Charity's principal address	2 Mossburn Avenue
	Balloch
	Alexandria
	Dunbartonshire
	Postcode G83 8EW

Names of the charity trustees on date of approval of Trustees' Annual Report

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Norman Henderson	Secretary		
2	William McDiarmid	Treasurer		
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## Reference and administration details

Names of all other charity trustees during the period, if any, (for example, those who resigned part way through the financial period)

**Name**

**Dates acted if not for whole year**

## Structure, governance and management

### Type of governing document

The Church is established by Constitution and is registered with the Inland Revenue and OSCR as a Charity under Reference No. SC014092

As a Church we are a charitable organization and the purpose and administration arrangements are the Governing document which are set out in our Constitution

### Trustee recruitment and appointment

All of the trustees are nominated by the existing Trustees, There is no fixed term for Trustees, 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. All new Trustees are made aware of their responsibilities.

## Objectives and activities

### Charitable purposes

The Aim of the Church, which is affiliated to the Baptist Union of Scotland, is to worship together in Spirit and Truth

### Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

Build the members up in the Faith and to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ. To work and help where we can with Children / young people, older people along with people with disabilities or health problems. We make donations or gifts to other charitable organisations.

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### Achievements and performance

#### Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the financial period

Having a membership which increased from eight to nine during the period, we continued without a pastor, with regular Sunday Services taken by supply preachers from the Baptist Lay Preachers Association and other folks, some with training.

In particular a Baptist student in training took many Sunday Services over, 6 months, he and his wife organised a Children's Outreach program with our congregation in Summer 2024, having contacted local Primary schools beforehand in preparation. Others came to our Services during the year at times.

Our "after-Service" monthly Sunday lunches were appreciated, where we still welcomed occasionally a regional retired pastor and wife to assist us. This retired pastor's guidance and advice have been invaluable (over a number of years.), and a pianist introduced by him helped us too. A midweek Service also ran for quite a few months.

The Treasurer's retiral date was end of May 2025, he having been in the position for 51 years; we considered trying to find a substitute or alternative. The Treasurer did agree to continue to look after the books until someone took over as treasurer

Work started on investigating the possibility of working somehow together with another church.

Work was also in progress on a possible change from a UVA to a SCIO. Attention to the premises continued - roofing, gardening, heating, Electrical, fire safety

### Financial review

#### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The church receives its funding from the church members by weekly offerings, general donations and one Gift Aid donation.

The church also has a reserve fund which is used at the discretion of the Deacons for any unexpected / unplanned expenditure including repairs which are deemed necessary along with any shortfall that may arise in the General Fund and other funds are as listed below..

#### Details of any deficit

The financial statements for the year to 31<sup>st</sup> May 2025 are as set out in the attached documents.

The General Fund has a balance of around £58,120 and the other funds of some £254,905 approx.

#### Donated facilities and services (if any)

During the year donations, have been given to the Baptist Missionary Society along with the Baptist Union of Scottish for the Scottish Baptist Fund.

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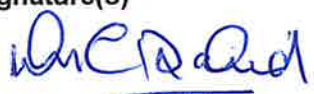
## Other optional information

## Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s) William McDiarmid



Norman Henderson

Position (e.g. Chair) Treasurer

Secretary

Date 12<sup>th</sup> March 2026

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