

Forres Baptist Church

Scotland · Charity number SC050133

Details

Status	Active
Legal form	SCIO (Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation)
Registered	2020-05-06
Register	View on the OSCR register

Contact

Address	Forres Baptist Church Clovenside Chapel Clovenside Road Forres Moray IV36 3BT
Website	forresbaptistchurch.org

Activities

Activities: 'It carries out activities or services itself'

Purposes: 'the advancement of religion'

What the charity does: To glorify God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, through the advancement of the Christian faith primarily in Forres and district but also throughout Scotland, the rest of the UK and the World by all means consistent with the teaching of the Christian Bible including worship, observance of the Lord's Supper, ministry, mission, prayer, witness, education, community service and the support of agencies and individuals and other charitable organisations involved in Christian missionary work and the relief of poverty or other social needs.

Beneficiaries: 'Other defined groups'

Objectives: The Purposes are the advancement of religion, specifically the Christian faith, for the benefit and blessing of the Community (being those persons who profess faith in Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord and have been baptised, and who agree with and are personally committed to the Purposes, including the Declaration of Principle) and also for the benefit and blessing of all people with whom the Church comes into contact in any way, primarily in Forres and neighbouring parts of Moray and also throughout Scotland and the rest of the World to the glory of God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, by all means consistent with: 1) The Christian Bible. and 2) The Declaration of Principle (of the Baptist Union of Scotland). including (without prejudice to the foregoing generality) worship, the observance of the Lord's Supper, ministry, mission, witness, prayer, fellowship, networking, education, service to the local community and the provision of activities and facilities for the local community, and the relief of poverty and other social needs, including the

support of individuals and other charitable organisations and agencies involved in any or all of these.

Geography

- **Main operating location:** Highland
- **Geographical spread:** A specific local point, community or neighbourhood

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£105,970	£85,257	-	1
2023-12-31	£76,335	£81,264	-	1
2022-12-31	£62,242	£69,364	-	1
2021-12-31	£64,067	£53,375	-	1
2020-12-31	£54,591	£78,722	-	1

Accounts

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Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator

Trustees' Annual Report for the period							
Period start date				Period end date			
From	Day	Month	Year	To	Day	Month	Year
	01	01	2024		31	12	2024

Reference and administration details

Charity name	Forres Baptist Church
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number	SC050133
Charity's principal address	Clovenside Chapel
	Clovenside Road
	Forres
	Moray
	Postcode IV36 3BT

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			
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4	Pastor		
5	Treasurer		
6	Secretary		
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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 name of this particular Christian community is Forres Baptist Church (hereafter referred to as the Church). The main governing document of The Church is its constitution.
The Church is an unincorporated Charity and a non-profit making organisation. The Church is baptistic in its model of church government and affiliations and subscribes to the Declaration of Principle of the Baptist Union of Scotland. The shared purpose, vision, beliefs and core values of the Church are contained within its Constitution and its Confession of Faith.

Trustee recruitment and appointment

The Trustees of the Church will normally be its Office-Bearers – Pastor/Elders, Church Administrator and Treasurer. The number of trustees shall not be fewer than three persons. The election and removal of Trustees can only be made by a vote of the membership at a duly noticed and called Church meeting.

Objectives and activities

Charitable purposes

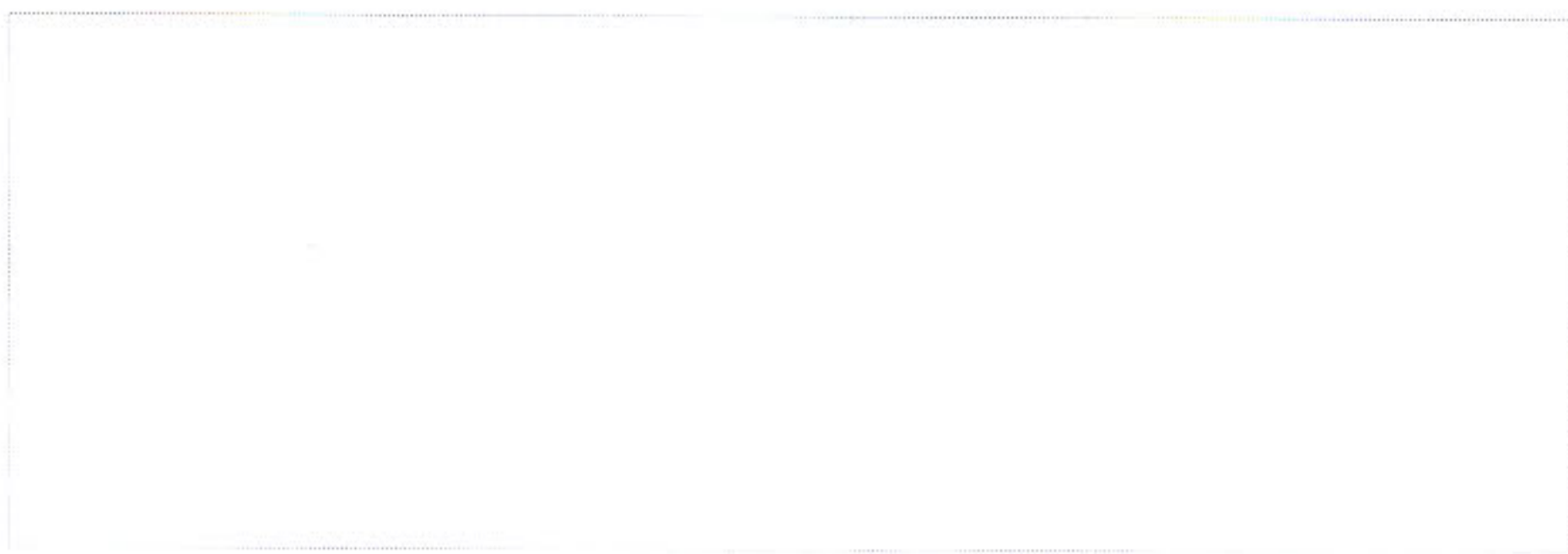
To glorify God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, through the advancement of the Christian faith primarily in Forres and district but also throughout Scotland, the rest of the UK and the World by all means consistent with the teaching of the Christian Bible including worship, observance of the Lord's Supper, ministry, mission, prayer, witness, education, community service and the support of agencies and individuals and other charitable organisations involved in Christian missionary work and the relief of poverty or other social needs.

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

The regular activities of the Church include the following:

- . Regular Sunday morning meetings in Clovenside Chapel attended by about 50 people. This involves children's classes catering for all ages.
- . Regular Sunday evening meetings in Clovenside Chapel attended by about up to 20 people.
- . Three mid-week meetings in private homes or Clovenside Chapel for the purpose of Bible study, prayer and pastoral care.
- . CAP money courses.

The church stocks a pantry for use within the fellowship and any others in need in the community.



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Achievements and performance

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

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

There are sufficient funds held, for the continuation of the Church in Forres for a minimum of six months.

Details of any deficit

Donated facilities and services (if any)

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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)

Position (e.g. Chair)

Treasurer

Pastor

Date

23/6/25

23/6/25

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date			to	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	01	01	2024		31	12	2024

Section A Statement of receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Expendable endowment funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total funds current period to nearest £	Total funds last period to nearest £
A1 Receipts						
Donations	104,236	1,734			105,970	76,335
Legacies					-	
Grants					-	
Receipts from fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading receipts					-	
Income from investments other than land and buildings					-	
Rents from land & buildings					-	
Gross receipts from other charitable activities					-	
					-	
	104,236	1,734	-	-	105,970	76,335
A2 Receipts from asset & investment sales						
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets					-	
Proceeds from sale of investments					-	
A2 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	104,236	1,734	-	-	105,970	76,335
A3 Payments						
Expenses for fundraising activities					-	
Gross trading payments	75,290				75,290	72,267
Investment management costs					-	
Payments relating directly to charitable activities	6,524	3,368			9,892	8,922
Grants and donations					-	
Governance costs:					-	
Audit / independent examination	75				75	75
Preparation of annual accounts					-	
Legal costs					-	
Other					-	
					-	
A3 Sub total	81,889	3,368	-	-	85,257	81,264
A4 Payments relating to asset and investment movements						
Purchases of fixed assets					-	
Purchase of investments					-	
A4 Sub total	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	81,889	3,368	-	-	85,257	81,264
Net receipts / (payments)	22,347	(1,634)	-	-	20,713	(4,929)
A5 Transfers to / (from) funds	(50)	50			-	
Surplus / (deficit) for year	22,297	(1,584)	-	-	20,713	(4,929)

Section B Statement of balances

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Expendable endowment funds	Permanent endowment funds	Total current period	Total last period
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash and bank balances at start of year	49,005	1,151			50,156	55,085
	Surplus / (deficit) shown on receipts and payments account	22,297	(1,584)			20,713	(4,929)
						-	
						-	
	Cash and bank balances at end of year	71,302	(433)	-	-	70,869	50,156
	(Agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))						

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Market valuation	Last year
			to nearest £	to nearest £
B2 Investments				
		Total	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (if available)	Current value (if available)	Last year
			to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B3 Other assets					
		Total	-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due	Last year
			to nearest £	to nearest £
B4 Liabilities				
		Total	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (estimate)	Last year
			to nearest £	to nearest £
B5 Contingent liabilities				
		Total	-	-

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval

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Analysis of receipts and payments

Selected period: 01 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Total Last year
Receipts						
<i>Donations and legacies</i>						
0101 - Gift aid giving	63,126	—	(65)	—	63,061	44,994
0102 - Non-Gift Aid giving	29,042	—	—	—	29,042	13,539
0201 - Special Collection	—	—	1,614	—	1,614	519
0203 - Buildings Donations	—	—	—	—	—	3,840
0601 - Income tax recovered	12,069	—	—	—	12,069	11,214
<i>Donations and legacies Totals</i>	104,236	—	1,549	—	105,786	74,105
<i>Income from charitable activities</i>						
0202 - Alpha Course Donations	—	—	185	—	185	106
<i>Income from charitable activities Totals</i>	—	—	185	—	185	106
<i>Other income</i>						
0304 - Other Income	—	—	—	—	—	2,125
<i>Other income Totals</i>	—	—	—	—	—	2,125
Receipts Grand totals	104,236	—	1,734	—	105,970	76,336

Payments

Raising funds

2234 - New Building Fund expense	1,062	—	—	—	1,062	—
<i>Raising funds Totals</i>	1,062	—	—	—	1,062	—

Expenditure on charitable activities

2203 - Advertising & promotion	279	—	—	—	279	50
2207 - Pulpit Supply	1,107	—	—	—	1,107	1,261
2208 - Teaching	—	—	—	—	—	292
2212 - Ministers' courses	400	—	—	—	400	240
2213 - Other courses/training	—	—	—	—	—	474
2214 - Children's / Youth resources	994	—	—	—	994	309
2220 - Mission (eg Malawi)	—	—	—	—	—	783
2221 - Church Events	665	—	—	—	665	453
2222 - Evangelism	867	—	—	—	867	769
2223 - Alpha Course	—	—	1,753	—	1,753	100
2224 - Little Fish Expenses	—	—	—	—	—	50
2225 - Alternative Spirituality Group	—	—	—	—	—	1,435
2233 - Hospitality	554	—	—	—	554	474
2501 - Regular Monthly Charitable Donations	1,584	—	—	—	1,584	1,552
2502 - One-off donations	150	—	—	—	150	160
2503 - Specific Giving (Donated)	—	—	1,615	—	1,615	519
<i>Expenditure on charitable activities Totals</i>	6,599	—	3,368	—	9,967	8,922

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	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Total Last year
Other expenditure						
2202 - Bank Charges	29	—	—	—	29	102
2204 - Office Expenses	187	—	—	—	187	138
2205 - Repairs & Maintenance	1,000	—	—	—	1,000	923
2206 - Professional Fees	2,105	—	—	—	2,105	75
2215 - BU Members Dues	1,722	—	—	—	1,722	1,722
2216 - Other subscriptions	549	—	—	—	549	527
2218 - Insurance	453	—	—	—	453	928
2231 - Cleaning Sundries	299	—	—	—	299	63
2232 - Other expenses	234	—	—	—	234	135
2236 - Replacement/New Equip/Refurb	3,154	—	—	—	3,154	3,973
2340 - Heating, light and water	2,421	—	—	—	2,421	9,076
2341 - Rent & rates	20,030	—	—	—	20,030	17,667
2342 - Health&Safety Maintenance	389	—	—	—	389	387
2403 - Website	108	—	—	—	108	119
2601 - Gross Minister's Stipend & Allowances	26,710	—	—	—	26,710	23,022
2602 - Church part of Minister's Pension	3,621	—	—	—	3,621	3,363
2604 - HMRC - PAYE	2,399	—	—	—	2,399	1,693
2605 - HMRC - Employee NI	1,404	—	—	—	1,404	1,581
2608 - Manse Allowance	7,413	—	—	—	7,413	6,851
Other expenditure Totals	74,228	—	—	—	74,228	72,342
Payments Grand totals	81,889	—	3,368	—	85,257	81,264

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Balance sheet (Summary) As at: 31 December 2024

	As at 31/12/2024 £	As at 31/12/2023 £
Current assets		
Debtors	—	2,778
Cash at bank and in hand	70,870	47,694
	<u>70,870</u>	<u>50,472</u>
Liabilities		
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	—	316
Net current assets less current liabilities	<u>70,870</u>	<u>50,157</u>
Total assets less current liabilities	<u>70,870</u>	<u>50,157</u>
Total net assets less liabilities	<u>70,870</u>	<u>50,157</u>
Represented by		
Unrestricted		
Unrestricted - General fund	70,305	49,005
Restricted		
Restricted - ALPHA	—	587
Restricted - Alternative Spirituality Group	565	565
Restricted - Little Fish	—	—
Restricted - Special Collection	—	—
Restricted - New Building fund	—	—
Funds of the church	<u>70,870</u>	<u>50,157</u>

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Forres Baptist Church

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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

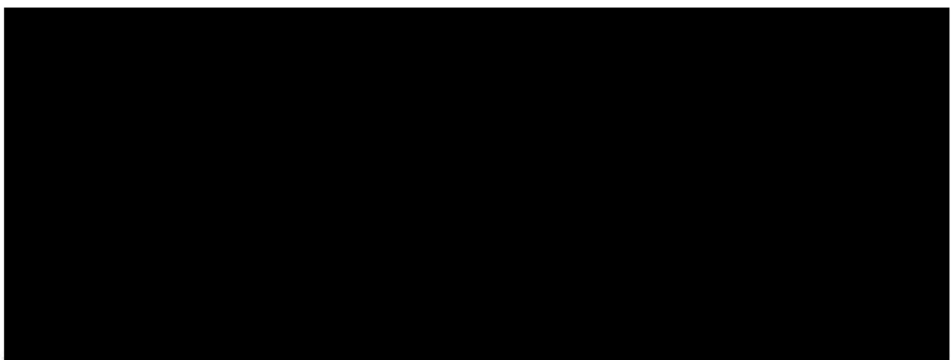
In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention

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
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations

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.



Date: 20th June 2025