



ORKNEY
VINEYARD CHURCH

Orkney Vineyard Church SCIO
SC051619

Annual Report and Financial Statement

For the year end 31 Aug 2024

The Senior Pastors and Trustees are happy to present the Annual Report with Financial Statement for our financial year that ended 31st August 2024.

Reference and Administrative Information

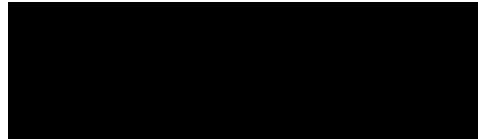
Charity Name: Orkney Vineyard Church SCIO

Charity Number: SC051619

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Current Trustees:



Bankers: CAF Bank Ltd
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Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document

Orkney Vineyard Church is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO) and received charitable status on the 1st March 2022 with the charity number SC051619. The charity is governed by its Constitution.

Appointment of Trustees

The Charity Trustees who are the members of the charity, make up the Board of Trustees. Under the Constitution, there must be a minimum of 3 trustees and a maximum of 5. Only one of trustees can be a Licensed Senior Pastor.

Employees of the organisation cannot be nominated as or become Charity Trustees unless they are the Licensed Senior Pastor.

Organisational Structure

The organisation comprises of Charity Trustees and employees (currently there are no employees).

The Charity Trustees have the powers to appoint people to serve on the board and take decisions on changes to the constitution itself. They are also responsible for monitoring and controlling the financial position of the organisation.

The Licensed Senior Pastors are responsible for overall leadership of the church, setting the strategy and leading teams of volunteers and leaders.

Risk Assessment

It is a requirement of Orkney Vineyard Church, that all volunteers who serve with children and vulnerable adults must become members of The Protecting Vulnerable Groups (PVG) membership scheme.

Objectives & Activities

Organisations purposes

Orkney Vineyard Church was established to advance the Christian religion for the public benefit.

Activities

- The organisation and provision of Christian worship.
- The provision of such facilities and services as are appropriate for the Church, to enable it to fulfil its mission to the members of the Church, visitors to the Church and the local community and the wider community.
- The provision of facilities for Christian training and service.
- The support and provision of Christian evangelism and outreach.
- The provision of assistance to the wider Christian church in its ministries.

Achievements & Performance for the year

In the period of Sep 2023-August 2024 our priorities were to continue to organise activities that allowed us to connect and build relationships with the communities across Orkney and to raise awareness of Orkney Vineyard Church.

Significant Activities

Sunday Gatherings

From June 2023 we had been meeting for an informal service fortnightly within someone's home. One of our priorities for this period was to increase the frequency of our Sunday meetings to weekly and to explore meeting within a public setting that could be more easily attended by members of the public. Between October 2023 and February 2024 we introduced 'Local Sundays' meeting in a hall within different local communities once a month and continued to meet for an informal service within a home on the other Sundays of the month.

Local Sundays consisted of a community brunch for the first hour followed by a short 45min service. Between October 2023 and February 2024 we met in Birsay, Harry and twice in Stenness using community halls within each parish. Our meetings in Stenness were the best attended, this coupled with the recognition that we had made other good connections within this community led to the decision to continue to use the Stenness Hall as our meeting place for the rest of the year.

Between April and June 2024 we held Sunday gatherings in the Stenness Hall 1-2 times a month, whilst continuing to meet within a home on the other weeks. We also changed local Sundays to be two separate events, Brunch club and a Sunday service, although the format of each did not change. Across this period of time we saw increased attendance at both brunch club and our Sunday service by members of the local community.

Brick Club

Brick club was first established in October 2022 and takes place on a Saturday morning within Stromness library. We provide Lego and Duplo, mega blocks, snacks and hot drinks and is fun creative morning aimed at families. Brick club was born out of a recognition that there is a significant lack of activities for families within the town of Stromness and as way of connecting with the

Stromness community and building relationships. This year we ran Brick club between October 2023 and June 2024, following the local school Calander starting after the October break and ending with the start of the summer holidays. This was an increase on the previous year where we only ran until the Ester Holidays. This increase was in response to feedback from families that they would like it to continue to run however we overall saw decreased attendance in the last term and it was agreed that next year we will return to ending at the Easter break. Brick club continued to be well attended this year with a general overall increase on weekly attendance and many of the families who attended last year returning regularly.

Easter Egg Hunt

We ran an Easter brunch event in Stenness on 31st March this included breakfast rolls, hot cross buns, hot drinks, an egg hunt, arts and crafts and egg rolling. This was well received and attended by members of the local community and families that attend Brick club.

Pray For Orkney 2024

Along with other Churches in Orkney we organised several opportunities for Christians across the island to come together in prayer during 2024, this included evenings of prayer and worship held in February and June and a week of 24/7 prayer.

Training and Equipping

As per the organisations commitment to training and equipping we attended several events run by Vineyard UK and Ireland throughout the year. These included the Scottish church planters gathering in September 2023, the Scottish Vineyard Leaders Gathering in October 2023 and Vineyard National Leaders Gathering and Senior Pastors day in April 2024. We also completed child protection training delivered by thirty one eight.

Financial Review

Overview

During the initial period of Sept 2023 - August 2024 an Income of £9,581 was received via donations from Individuals.

An expenditure of £15,411 (2023: £5,572) was made carrying out the charitable activities with a significant amount spent on the purchase of audio-visual equipment to support gathering activities. At the end of the financial period, the charity had a deficit of £5,830.

The financial position was monitored carefully throughout the year by the Charity Trustees, who expect regular donations from church members to increase as the church grows over the first few years as well as receiving occasional one-off gifts from other churches and individuals in the Vineyard movement.

Donated Facilities & Services

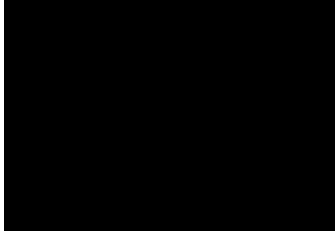
The Charity Trustees would like to thank all those that have donated and all the charity's volunteers, who have helped contribute towards the success and achievements made within this past year and as we look forward to the future.

Reserves

Reserves at the end of the financial year were £11,363.

Approval

This report was approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:



Statement of Receipts and Payments for the year ended 31 August 2024

	Notes	Year End 31-08-2024	Period ended. 31-08-2023
		£	£
Receipts			
Donations		9,553	-
Interested Earned		28	40
Total receipts		9,581	40
Payments			
Charitable Activities	5	15,411	5,572
Total payments		15,411	5,572
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year		-5,830	-5,532

All funds are unrestricted.

The Notes on page 10 form an integral part of these accounts.

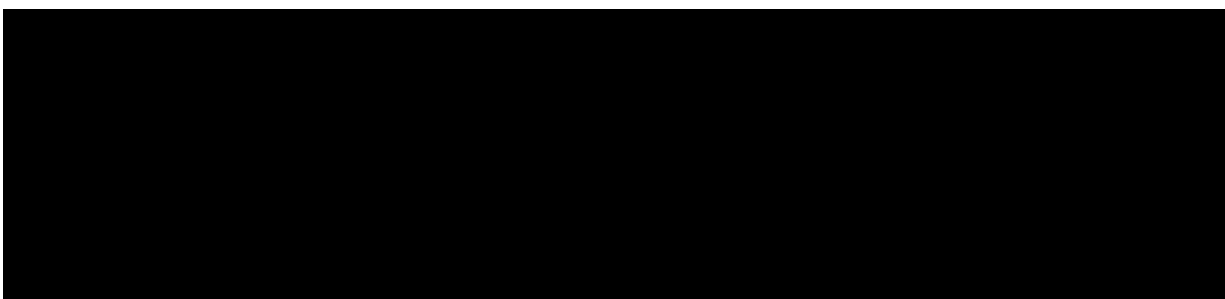
Statement of Balances as at 31 August 2024

	Notes	Total 2024	Total 2023
		£	£
Opening Balance		17,193	22,725
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year		-5,830	-5,532
Closing Balance		11,363	17,193
Bank & Cash Balances			
CAF Bank Account		11,363	17,193
		11,363	17,193
Other Assets			
Equipment		-	-
		-	-
Liabilities			
		0	0
		0	0

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Notes to the Financial Statements

1. Basis of Preparation

These accounts have been prepared on the receipts & payments basis in accordance with:

- a. The Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005
- b. The Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended)

2. Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are those that can be expended at the discretion of the trustees in the furtherance of the objects of the charity.

3. Taxation

The charity is not liable to income tax or capital gains tax on its charitable activities.

The charity is not registered for VAT, thus all costs are shown inclusive of VAT charged.

4. Transactions with trustees and related parties

No remuneration was paid to trustees, or any persons connected with them during the year.

No expenses were reimbursed to the trustees during the year.

The charity's insurance policy includes trustee indemnity insurance cover for all of its trustees.

5. Payments relating to Charitable Actives

	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£
Administrative Expenses	1,842	1650
Marketing	354	432
Programs Expenses		
- Brick Club	1,279	1074
- Brunch Club	957	
- Events	340	225
- Gatherings	452	
- Pray together Orkney	35	-
Donations	250	-
Training & Equipping	516	590
Travel & Accommodation	2,117	1601
Purchased Equipment		
- Audio Visual Equipment	7,269	-
	15,411	5572