Charity number: 1135341

THE REDEEMED CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF GOD: LIFE START CONNECTIONS

TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

THE REDEEMED CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF GOD: LIFE START CONNECTIONS

CONTENTS

	Page
Reference and administrative details of the Charity, its Trustees and advisers	1
Trustees' report	2 - 5
Independent examiner's report	6 - 7
Statement of financial activities	8
Balance sheet	9
Notes to the financial statements	10 - 22

THE REDEEMED CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF GOD: LIFE START CONNECTIONS

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Trustees	Omolade Bello (appointed 26 November 2025) Pastor David Idowu Mrs Mojirade Mulikat Alabi Pastor Victor Oladele, Chairman
Charity registered number	1135341
Principal office	St. Clement's Close (Off Coldhabour Road) Northfleet Kent DA11 7RU
Accountants	GIL Accountancy Services Suite 26 6 - 8 Revenge Road Chatham Kent ME8 5UD
Pastor-in-Charge	Pastor David Idowu

TRUSTEES' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of THE REDEEMED CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF GOD: LIFE START CONNECTIONS for the 1 January 2025 to 31 December 2025.

Objectives and activities

a. Policies and objectives

The Charity's main objectives are:
• The advancement of the Christian religion worldwide;
• The relief of poverty worldwide.

These objectives are charitable and operate for the public's benefit. The charity pursues these objectives via its mission statement by nurturing diverse people to make Heaven through empowering and equipping them to live a holy and well fulfilled life based on excellence and solid relationships.

The Charity pursues its objects by the operation of its worship centre for Christian worship at St Clements Close, Northfleet, Kent, and by a programme of events aimed at reaching out to the unchurched. It also embarks on wide range charitable events aimed at engaging with hard-to-reach groups and to the disadvantaged in the community.

The charity's main objectives for the year were:
• Collaborating with other Christian denominations within the area through its established network of the Churches Together in Gravesham
• Working with its plant church in Maidstone (RCCG Sure Foundation Assembly) to spread the Christian message of hope within their communities and communicating through community initiatives to reach the unreached.
• Organising conferences, seminars, celebrations, small group meetings and exhibitions.
• Setting up of community based social enterprises.
• Exploring various project works within the RCCG UK denominal network to enhance, transmit and facilitate the Christian faith within UK.
• Working and being part of the local VCS group to enhance the quality of volunteering opportunities as well as form a collaborative base with the council to make the area a better place to live.
• The establishment of the Gravesham Foodbank and its hubs within the community in the fight against food poverty and deprivation to ensure that no one goes hungry within the community.
• Working close with the local MP to provide a caseload of needy clients that we encounter via our Foodbank project for extra help outside our remit
• Acting as a collaborative hub via our Foodbank project to signpost clients to more wholistic help to break the cycle of poverty in their lives
• Collaborating with other likeminded organisations in the fight against food poverty within the community to spread our reach of effectiveness.

In setting objectives and planning for activities, the Trustees have given due consideration to general guidance published by the Charity Commission relating to public benefit, including the guidance 'Public benefit: running a charity (PB2)'.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Objectives and activities (continued)

b. Activities undertaken to achieve objectives

During 2025, RCCG Life Start Connections continued its activities supporting the local community through its foodbank operations, community engagement, volunteering, fundraising and awareness-raising initiatives.

Food Collection and Community Support
A significant part of the charity's activities during the year centred on securing food donations for the foodbank and encouraging the wider community to support people experiencing food need. In June 2025, the charity held a food drive at ASDA, involving more than 20 volunteers and collecting over 400kg of food items. A further food drive was held at Morrisons from 15 to 21 September 2025. More than 20 volunteers participated and over 390kg of food was collected.

During the harvest period, representatives attended assemblies at several primary schools to raise awareness of the foodbank, explain how schools could provide support and demonstrate the importance of their donations to the wider community. Schools visited included Cobham Primary School, Chantry Community Primary School and Cecil Road Primary School. The harvest appeal generated over 5,000kg of donations from schools and more than 2,000kg from churches.

The charity also participated in a Tesco Food Drive from 27 to 29 November 2025. More than 20 volunteers took part, resulting in the collection of over 400kg of food items.

Community Awareness and Engagement
The charity continued to strengthen awareness of its work within the community. An advertisement in Villagers Magazine, running from April to September 2025, was reported as reaching more than 2,000 households each month.
On 17 April 2025, the foodbank hosted an Easter Bunny display in partnership with M&M Lettings, providing another opportunity for community engagement. Staff members also attended the Rolling Road Show London at the Congress Centre, Great Russell Street, London, on 22 May 2025.

Volunteers
Volunteers continued to play an important role in supporting the charity's activities throughout the year.
During Volunteers' Week, 2 to 8 June 2025, the charity recognised the contribution of its volunteers and staff. Cake and hot drinks were provided throughout the week, alongside communications, photographs and opportunities for reflection. Volunteer participation was also evident across the charity's supermarket food drives, with more than 20 volunteers participating in each of the ASDA, Morrisons and Tesco initiatives.

Advocacy and Wider Engagement
On 18 June 2025, representatives participated in a Lobby Day at Westminster, where the charity's engagement included representation from the MP for Gravesham and a county councillor. The charity also attended the London Forum on 24 September 2025, which focused on bringing a new strategy to life.

Fundraising and Partnerships
Partnership working remained an important feature of activities during the year. In addition to the Easter initiative with M&M Lettings, a charity fundraiser in partnership with M&M Lettings was held at Gravesend Rugby Club on 29 November 2025. The source report records that the event helped raise a substantial amount of money.

Annual General Meeting and End-of-Year Community Engagement
The charity held its 2025 Annual General Meeting on 1 December 2025 at City Praise Centre for its volunteers.
The year's community activities concluded with a Father Christmas display on 18 December 2025. Gravesham Borough Council and Citizens Advice were represented, and more than 10 volunteers participated.

Objectives and activities (continued)

Overall Impact
The activities undertaken during 2025 demonstrate RCCG Life Start Connections' continued focus on food support, community engagement, volunteering, partnership working and raising awareness of the needs of the local community.

The supermarket and harvest campaigns alone generated substantial food donations, while engagement with schools, churches, local organisations and volunteers helped broaden community participation in supporting the foodbank. The trustees are grateful to the charity's volunteers, donors, partner organisations, schools and churches whose support enabled these activities to take place throughout the year.

c. Financial review

Total receipts during the year was £279,908 (2024: £299,474). Total expenditure for the year was £304,934 (2024: £303,782). The detailed breakdown of the accounts can be found in the accompanying SOFA, balance sheet and notes.

d. Risks management

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the charity, and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate our exposure to the major risks.

e. Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

f. Reserves policy

The Charity seeks to maintain reserves which match any obligation, such as to employees, and to ensure sustainability beyond the next quarter. The target is to build and maintain unrestricted reserves equating to three months normal expenditure.

Structure, governance and management

a. Constitution

THE REDEEMED CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF GOD: LIFE START CONNECTIONS is a registered charity, number 1135341, and is constituted under a Trust deed.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Structure, governance and management (continued)

b. Methods of appointment or election of Trustees

The management of the Charity is the responsibility of the Trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Trust deed. The board of trustees set the direction and policy framework for the Church. The board also put in place the process for reviewing, evaluating and implementing appropriate risk management framework.

During November 2025, Pastor Victor Oladele succeeded Dr Bayo Aderemi Odedoyin as Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees 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).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the Trust deed. 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.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees on 27 October 2026 and signed on their behalf by:

Victor Oladele

.....

Pastor Victor Oladele
(Chair of Trustees)

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of THE REDEEMED CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF GOD: LIFE START CONNECTIONS ('the Charity')

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the Trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

Since the Charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of ACCA, which is one of the listed bodies.

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the Charity has prepared the accounts in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

This report is made solely to the Charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Signed:  Dated: 27 October 2026

D Tabiri ACIE FCCA

Suite 26, 6 - 8 Revenge Rd, Chatham. ME5 8UD

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	*Total funds 2024 £*
Income from:					
Donations and legacies	3	**117,312**	**126,200**	**243,512**	*245,561*
Charitable activities	4	**36,380**	**-**	**36,380**	*53,910*
Other income	5	**16**	**-**	**16**	*3*
Total income		**153,708**	**126,200**	**279,908**	*299,474*
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	6	**171,918**	**133,016**	**304,934**	*303,782*
Total expenditure		**171,918**	**133,016**	**304,934**	*303,782*
Net movement in funds		**(18,210)**	**(6,816)**	**(25,026)**	*(4,308)*
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		**83,414**	**71,588**	**155,002**	*159,310*
Net movement in funds		**(18,210)**	**(6,816)**	**(25,026)**	*(4,308)*
Total funds carried forward		**65,204**	**64,772**	**129,976**	*155,002*

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 10 to 22 form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2025

	Note		2025 £		*2024* *£*
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	11		**30,739**		*31,539*
			30,739		*31,539*
Current assets					
Stocks	12	**2,145**		*2,145*	
Debtors	13	**-**		*10,000*	
Cash at bank and in hand		**104,308**		*120,709*	
		106,453		*132,854*	
Current liabilities					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	14	**(7,216)**		*(9,391)*	
Net current assets			**99,237**		*123,463*
Total assets less current liabilities			**129,976**		*155,002*
Net assets excluding pension asset			**129,976**		*155,002*
Total net assets			**129,976**		*155,002*
Charity funds					
Restricted funds	16		**64,772**		*71,588*
Unrestricted funds	16		**65,204**		*83,414*
Total funds			**129,976**		*155,002*

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

.....
Pastor Victor Oladele
(Chair of Trustees)

Date: 27 October 2026

The notes on pages 10 to 22 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

1. General information

THE REDEEMED CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF GOD: LIFE START CONNECTIONS is a registered charity, number 1135341, and is constituted under a Trust deed.

2. Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair' view. This departure has involved following the Charities SORP (FRS 102) published in October 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

THE REDEEMED CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF GOD: LIFE START CONNECTIONS meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

2.2 Income

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Grants are included in the Statement of financial activities on a receivable basis. The balance of income received for specific purposes but not expended during the period is shown in the relevant funds on the Balance sheet. Where income is received in advance of entitlement of receipt, its recognition is deferred and included in creditors as deferred income. Where entitlement occurs before income is received, the income is accrued.

Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Other income is recognised in the period in which it is receivable and to the extent the goods have been provided or on completion of the service.

2.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset’s use.

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.3 Expenditure (continued)

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Charity's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

2.4 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. All costs incurred to bring a tangible fixed asset into its intended working condition should be included in the measurement of cost.

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, .

Depreciation is provided on the following bases:

Short-term leasehold property	- 10% Straight line
Fixtures and fittings	- 20% straight line
Church & Office equipment	- 20% reducing balance

2.5 Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value after making due allowance for obsolete and slow-moving stocks.

2.6 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

2.7 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

2.8 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in the Statement of financial activities as a finance cost.

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.9 Financial instruments

The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2.10 Pensions

The Charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme and the pension charge represents the amounts payable by the Charity to the fund in respect of the year.

2.11 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

3. Income from donations

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £
Donations - Tithes, offerings, thanksgiving etc	117,312	-	**117,312**
Grants	-	126,200	**126,200**
Total 2025	117,312	126,200	**243,512**

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	*Restricted funds 2024 £*	*Total funds 2024 £*
Donations - Tithes, offerings, thanksgiving etc	*140,561*	*-*	*140,561*
Grants	*-*	*105,000*	*105,000*
Total 2024	*140,561*	*105,000*	*245,561*

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

4. Income from other charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £
Gift aid receipts	9,598	**9,598**
Donations - Gravesham Foodbank	26,782	**26,782**
Total 2025	36,380	**36,380**

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	*Total funds 2024 £*
Gift aid receipts	*14,039*	*14,039*
Donations - Gravesham Foodbank	*39,871*	*39,871*
Total 2024	*53,910*	*53,910*

5. Other incoming resources

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £
Interest receivable	16	**16**

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	*Total funds 2024 £*
Interest receivable	*3*	*3*

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

6. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Summary by fund type

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £
Church activities	153,831	-	**153,831**
Gravesham Foodbank	18,087	133,016	**151,103**
	171,918	133,016	**304,934**

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	*Restricted funds 2024 £*	*Total 2024 £*
Church activities	*190,626*	*3,108*	*193,734*
Gravesham Foodbank	*25,640*	*84,408*	*110,048*
	216,266	*87,516*	*303,782*

7. Analysis of expenditure by activities

	Activities undertaken directly 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £
Church activities	153,831	**153,831**
Gravesham Foodbank	151,103	**151,103**
Total 2025	304,934	**304,934**

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

7. Analysis of expenditure by activities (continued)

	Activities undertaken directly 2024 £	*Total funds 2024* £
Church activities	*193,734*	*193,734*
Gravesham Foodbank	*110,048*	*110,048*
Total 2024	*303,782*	*303,782*

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

7. Analysis of expenditure by activities (continued)

Analysis of direct costs

	Church activities 2025 £	Gravesham Foodbank 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £
Staff costs, NI, Pension etc	25,000	119,874	**144,874**
Rent & rates	20,338	11,010	**31,348**
Office admin. expenses	1,433	-	**1,433**
Honorarium	7,750	-	**7,750**
Light & heat	3,111	-	**3,111**
Repairs & renewals	2,224	-	**2,224**
Insurance	4,186	-	**4,186**
Telephone and internet costs	3,818	-	**3,818**
Computer and IT expenses	1,086	-	**1,086**
Stationery, printing and postage	2,230	-	**2,230**
Hospitality & welfare	7,156	-	**7,156**
Ministry and mission expenses	14,733	-	**14,733**
Legal & professional fees	1,000	3,760	**4,760**
Accountancy fees	1,380	700	**2,080**
Depreciation	6,793	-	**6,793**
WEM & Central office charges	4,320	-	**4,320**
Youth & children's ministry	2,554	-	**2,554**
Sundry expenses	3,594	2,549	**6,143**
Music ministry	18,755	-	**18,755**
Foodbank miscellaneous expenses	-	13,210	**13,210**
Motor expenses	3,162	-	**3,162**
Bank charges	130	-	**130**
Charitable donations	11,380	-	**11,380**
Conferences & special programmes	7,698	-	**7,698**
Total 2025	153,831	151,103	**304,934**

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

7. Analysis of expenditure by activities (continued)

Analysis of direct costs (continued)

	Church activities 2024 £	*Gravesham Foodbank 2024* £	*Total funds 2024* £
Staff costs, NI Pension etc	*64,908*	*73,067*	*137,975*
Rent & rates	*20,289*	*10,910*	*31,199*
Office admin. expenses	*3,105*	*10,280*	*13,385*
Honorarium	*5,890*	-	*5,890*
Light & heat	*5,352*	-	*5,352*
Repairs & renewals	*6,916*	-	*6,916*
Insurance	*3,931*	-	*3,931*
Telephone and internet costs	*2,898*	-	*2,898*
Computer and IT expenses	*948*	-	*948*
Stationery, printing and postage	*421*	-	*421*
Hospitality & welfare	*13,144*	-	*13,144*
Ministry and mission expenses	*11,350*	-	*11,350*
Legal & professional fees	*1,780*	*1,980*	*3,760*
Accountancy fees	*1,315*	*640*	*1,955*
Depreciation	*5,963*	-	*5,963*
WEM & Central office charges	*3,760*	-	*3,760*
Youth & children's ministry	*1,440*	-	*1,440*
Sundry expenses	*3,005*	-	*3,005*
Music ministry	*16,669*	-	*16,669*
Foodbank miscellaneous expenses	-	*12,466*	*12,466*
Motor expenses	*7,933*	-	*7,933*
Bank charges	*572*	*705*	*1,277*
Charitable donations	*4,980*	-	*4,980*
Conferences & special programmes	*7,165*	-	*7,165*
Total 2024	*193,734*	*110,048*	*303,782*

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

8. Independent examiner's remuneration

	2025 £	*2024 £*
Fees payable to the Charity's independent examiner for the independent examination of the Charity's annual accounts	**800**	*800*
Fees payable to the Charity's independent examiner in respect of:		
All other services not included above	**1,280**	*1,155*

9. Staff costs

	2025 £	*2024 £*
Wages and salaries	**139,787**	*130,172*
Social security costs	**1,765**	*4,711*
Contribution to defined contribution pension schemes	**3,322**	*3,092*
	144,874	*137,975*

The average number of persons employed by the Charity during the year was as follows:

	2025 No.	*2024 No.*
Staff	**3**	*3*

The number of employees whose employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) exceeded £60,000 was:

	2025 No.	*2024 No.*
In the band £60,001 - £70,000	**1**	*1*

10. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the year, one or more Trustees has been paid remuneration of £72,385 (2024: £61,967) or has received other benefits from an employment with the Charity.

During the year ended 31 December 2025, no Trustee expenses have been incurred *(2024 - £NIL)*.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

11. Tangible fixed assets

	Short-term leasehold property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer & church equipment £	Total £
Cost or valuation				
At 1 January 2025	**25,186**	**3,789**	**37,217**	**66,192**
Additions	**-**	**-**	**5,993**	**5,993**
At 31 December 2025	**25,186**	**3,789**	**43,210**	**72,185**
Depreciation				
At 1 January 2025	**7,555**	**2,363**	**24,735**	**34,653**
Charge for the year	**2,518**	**760**	**3,515**	**6,793**
At 31 December 2025	**10,073**	**3,123**	**28,250**	**41,446**
Net book value				
At 31 December 2025	**15,113**	**666**	**14,960**	**30,739**
At 31 December 2024	*17,631*	*1,426*	*12,482*	*31,539*

12. Stocks

	2025 £	*2024 £*
Food stocks	**2,145**	*2,145*

13. Debtors

	2025 £	*2024 £*
Due within one year		
Other debtors	**-**	*10,000*
	-	*10,000*

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

14. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2025 £	*2024 £*
Other taxation and social security	**5,649**	*2,403*
Pension fund loan payable	**767**	*588*
Other creditors	**-**	*5,600*
Accruals and deferred income	**800**	*800*
	7,216	*9,391*

15. Financial instruments

	2025 £	*2024 £*
Financial assets		
Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure	**104,308**	*120,709*

Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure comprise cash at bank and trade debtors.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

16. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 January 2025 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance at 31 December 2025 £
Unrestricted funds				
General Funds 1	**83,414**	**153,708**	**(171,918)**	**65,204**
Restricted funds				
Restricted Funds - all funds	**71,588**	**126,200**	**(133,016)**	**64,772**
Total of funds	**155,002**	**279,908**	**(304,934)**	**129,976**

Statement of funds - prior year

	Balance at 1 January 2024 £	*Income £*	*Expenditure £*	*Balance at 31 December 2024 £*
Unrestricted funds				
General Funds 1	*104,446*	*194,474*	*(215,506)*	*83,414*

	Balance at 1 January 2024 £	*Income £*	*Expenditure £*	*Balance at 31 December 2024 £*
Restricted funds				
Restricted Funds - all funds	*54,864*	*105,000*	*(88,276)*	*71,588*
Total of funds	*159,310*	*299,474*	*(303,782)*	*155,002*

17. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current year

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £
Tangible fixed assets	30,739	-	**30,739**
Current assets	41,681	64,772	**106,453**
Creditors due within one year	(7,216)	-	**(7,216)**
Total	65,204	64,772	**129,976**

Analysis of net assets between funds - prior year

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	*Restricted funds 2024 £*	*Endowment funds 2024 £*	*Total funds 2024 £*
Tangible fixed assets	*31,539*	*-*	*-*	*31,539*
Current assets	*61,266*	*71,588*	*-*	*132,854*
Creditors due within one year	*(9,391)*	*-*	*-*	*(9,391)*
Total	83,414	*71,588*	*-*	*155,002*

18. Pension commitments

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund. £767 (2024 - £588) were payable to the fund at the balance sheet date and are included in creditors.