Gateway Church Abergavenny

Report and Accounts
Year ended 31 March 2026

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COMPANY INFORMATION

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

Trustees	Lawrence Wilson Susan Hopkins Katherine Mallord Stephanie Foley Joanna Taylor Aled Williams (appointed May 2025) Christopher Vaz (appointed May 2025)
Company Secretary	Lawrence Wilson
Key Staff	Pastor Christopher Vaz
Governing Document	Memorandum and Articles of Association dated November 2011 amended 5th January 2021 & 30 May 2023.
Company Registration Number	07842926
Charity Registration Number	1146530
Principal Address and Registered Office	Gateway Christian Centre Monk Street Abergavenny Monmouthshire NP7 5ND
Independent Examiner	Sarah Crispin ACA Stewardship 1 Lamb's Passage London EC1Y 8AB
Bankers	HSBC UK Bank plc

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

(INCORPORATING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

Gateway Church Abergavenny

Monk Street, Abergavenny NP7 5ND

Registered in England & Wales 7842926

Registered Charity No. 1146530

The trustees, who are the charity's directors for the purposes of company law, have pleasure in submitting the Report and Accounts for the year.

The charity is a charitable company and is governed by its memorandum and articles of association. The objects of the charity, as set out in the governing document are to advance the Christian faith.

1.0 Achievements and performance

It is with immense gratitude to God that we present this annual report for 2025/26 We have continued to see His faithfulness and provision right through the year, as we pursue His purposes and steward His work in and through our fellowship. 2025/26 has been a year of steady growth and healthy momentum, in all areas of our church life.

Our Sunday morning services have been vibrant, edifying, purposeful, and well-attended. As always, in addition to our own speakers, we have been blessed with a number of visiting speakers. We have seen a greater involvement of our children and young people at our services, including 2 services led by the Gateway Church Youth.

A number of our young people have also been involved in serving at GCKids (Gateway Church Kids) as well as with the media during the main service. We continue to have a steady flow of visitors, with seventy-five newcomers attending during the year.

Our Children's and Youth Ministries continue to grow, as the respective reports herein will indicate. Connect groups are the lifeline of the fellowship – keeping people connected, cared for, discipled and served in a more individual manner. There has been a healthy engagement and buzz across all Connect groups, with each one carrying their own culture and flavour.

We had fourteen water baptisms in the year, and a good number of people going through Alpha. We launched our first ever Post-Alpha, and had twelve attendees.

Our community engagement and influence continued to grow, with the report below again giving further details.

We continue to see goodwill, favour and connections grow within our wider community. We had a great carol service, with over four hundred in attendance at King Henry VIII school hall, and Operation Gateway Relief (OGR) Christmas 2025 once again allowed us to serve our wider community with meals and hampers with record numbers to those we know to be in need of practical help.

We continue to recognise, appreciate and connect with the wider body of Christ. In addition to our leaders attending various leadership gatherings, Gateway hosted The Assemblies Of God GB (AOG) annual South Wales Leaders' Gathering. Our pastor serves as the AOG South Wales Area Leader, sits on the National team of New Wine Cymru, and is part of the Advisory Board for the Evangelical Alliance, Wales.

As we look to 2026/27, we continue to develop our 4 Areas of Focus:

1. Mission
2. Discipleship
3. Prayer & the supernatural
4. Children & Young People

Some of our future plans include:

1. Establish more Connect groups to assist a growing congregation.
2. Raise up more leaders/roles of responsibility & influence across the board.
3. Encourage more people onto our Discipleship Tracks, including the Bible School, which will incorporate a new element of growing in the Word, called “Learning Communities”.
4. Continue to integrate young people more into life of the fellowship (Sundays, various ministries, etc.).

In planning the activities, the Trustees have applied the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

1.1 The Core Leadership Team (CLT) continues to faithfully provide oversight in administrating all the work and various ministries at Gateway. Each one works in collaboration with each other, as well as with their respective teams in ensuring our vision and areas of focus as a church are adhered to and growing. The team meets through the year for discussion, prayer and planning.

2.0 Alpha Course

During 2025/2026 two Alpha courses were held. Eighteen guests attended the fourth Alpha from September to November 2025 and thirty-four guests attended the fifth Alpha from January to March 2026. Each course ran for eleven sessions and began with a home cooked meal. Sessions were timed to last ninety minutes. Guests interacted well with the course material and grew in their understanding of biblical truths. The whole team worked together well to establish a comfortable, friendly atmosphere so that there was a bond on each table giving openness and vulnerability leading to deep sharing.

The fifth Alpha included a successful retreat day to learn about and experience the power of the Holy Spirit. Unfortunately, we had to cancel the retreat day in the autumn of 2025 for the fourth Alpha due to flooding. On both courses most attendees completed the entire programme.

In addition, in May 2025 a trial Post-Alpha course was run consisting of three sessions consisting of further teaching on prayer, the supernatural and giving a biblical overview. Approximately twenty five people attended.

The highlights were to see most of the guests growing in understanding of biblical truth with several committing their lives to the Lord.

3.0 Gateway Connect groups

Gateway Connect groups are small gatherings that usually meet weekly or fortnightly, often in homes but also are free to organise themselves to best provide opportunities for people to build meaningful relationships, have fun and grow in their faith together.

We currently have fourteen groups, each led by a dedicated team of Connect Group Pastors. Approximately 80% of the adults attending Gateway Church are actively involved in a Connect group, reflecting the central role these groups play in the life of the church.

Connect Group Pastors provide the first line of pastoral care within the church, and we are immensely grateful to them, and to all group members, for the care and support they offer one another.

As the number of Gateway attendees continues to grow, we are planning to establish additional groups later this year.

4.0 Children

4.1 GC Tots – fifteen children registered.

The creche room for children aged eighteen months to 4 years often has around ten or more children on a Sunday with 2 servers who teach them each week through story and craft. Our dedicated group of servers includes a member of Gateway Church Youth, who has served once a month for over 2 years now.

The landing area and baby changing room are available for parents with babies up to eighteen months during the service.

4.2 GC Kids – thirty children registered

GC Kids is for the primary school aged children and is split into 3 groups according to age, with around ten children in each group. Each group is led by a teacher and an assistant and there have been some new additions to the team. Four young helpers from Gateway Church Youth have been serving once a month for a few years now and it is a joy to have more youth/young adults asking to join the team.

The children are settled and secure in their groups and keen to ask questions, contribute thoughts and suggestions in group discussions as well as also being very welcoming to new children and visitors. It has been a great encouragement this year for the team to hear children's testimonies as they apply what they learn to their daily lives. Two of the children were baptised last Easter and one has chosen to be baptised this year.

A 'Light Party' for GC Kids was held in October with the Young Helpers taking a leading role in teaching the children how we can be light in the world.

4.3 Young Families

Events for Young Families (those with children up to the age of eleven) took place in the form of outreach events to which Gateway families could invite along their friends with children and we also invited families known to us through Holiday Club, Parents & Toddlers etc. In the last year there was an Easter Family Fun Drop-In, Picnic & Games in the Park and a Christmas Family Fun Drop-In.

4.4 Parents & Toddlers

Parents & Toddlers takes place every Friday morning during term times. Up to thirty babies and toddlers play while their parents relax with a tea or coffee and a chat. The team continue to build good relationships with the parents, carers and grandparents, sometimes having the opportunity to share their faith, offer prayer, invite them to Sunday services and other Gateway events. This last term we have welcomed 2 new people to the team – including another of our Gateway Youth.

4.5 Holiday Club

Wonder Zone Holiday Club took place in August with drama, games, stories, craft, singing, circus skills, food and great fun for children and the Holiday Club Team attracting between seventy to ninety children each day.

The team is drawn from a wide cross section of the church – all ages, men, women, young people – all serving together to further the Kingdom in young families in Abergavenny and the surrounding areas.

5.0 Youth and Young Adults

2025/26 was a year of significant growth for Gateway Youth and Young Adults. Our provisions have engaged with over fifty young people in the last twelve months.

5.1 Friday

Numbers currently average twenty-five but have been up to near thirty on several occasions. Teaching series over the last twelve months have included - Go Against the Flow, The Holy Spirit, Forgiveness, Temptation and most recently Relationships.

We have had several ‘special guests’ appearances from CLT members who have attended to encourage and champion the young people.

We have significantly changed the timetable of a Friday night. This enables us to vary the way we deliver and allow opportunity for discussion and inclusion. The first Friday of every month is now a social night, the second is a worship event, the third is a roundtable night where topics are discussed in groups and the final night of the month is our Tribal Wars or Big Game Night evening. Each evening includes input from the team or a member of the Crew on the topic currently being delivered. The team continue to address topics that are prevalent in today’s culture to provide a biblical standpoint that is predominantly countercultural.

The praise and worship night which has been embedded over the last twelve months is regularly our most attended night of the month showing a real desire for the things of God amongst the group.

The dance team, youth worship team and creative groups continue to meet from 6-7pm pre youth most weeks with the aim of using and developing gifting. We have also seen a few of the Youth move over to the main worship team.

5.2 Sunday

Average numbers have increased significantly with the weekly average rising from thirteen to twenty-one over the last 12 months.

Topics covered included Unplugged, Fruitfulness on the Frontline and the Armour of God.

The team continue to deliver on the second and fourth Sunday of each month.

5.3 General

• Spiritual growth continues to increase.

• Two of our young people have set up student unions in their schools.

• Engagement is up in all subgroups. (Crew, dance, creative, youth worship.) Many of the young people are being handed ‘leadership’ roles in these groups.

• Continual growth of both Sunday and Friday provisions.

• The Youth WhatsApp group is a safe place where the young people regularly share scriptures bible studies and encourage and pray for each other.

• Good parent engagement on WhatsApp.

5.4 The Crew

Grown from 7 to 9 young people, the group meets weekly for self-guided bible study, once a month for social and pastoral input and to attend quarterly youth team meetings. Their involvement provides a voice for our young people in all we do.

The Crew plan, prepare and deliver games on a Friday and over the last twelve months have all had the opportunity to deliver the message to their peers on a Friday night. Working closely with the team they have developed and tailored messages that have been both powerful and impactful.

The criteria to join is a passion to pursue Jesus, desire to study the Word and on the recommendation of the youth team.

5.5 Highlights of 2025/26

Youth camp – We attended ‘Thrive’ with over 200 other young people and the feedback was excellent across the board.

Awaken 25 – Fourteen young people travelled to Mid Wales to the annual AOG Youth event.

Two Youth takeover services on a Sunday. Two of our young people also delivered the word.

Christmas prom 2025 had thirty-one young people in attendance.

5.6 Young Adults

Young adults has grown from an average of 5 young people to over ten in the last twelve months. We continue to meet on the first Friday of each month at Gateway.

5.7 Upcoming

• Awaken 26 at Hope Church Newtown. This year we are taking thirty people.

• Thrive youth camp in August at Cefn Lea.

• Three day team building course August at Abergavenny Fire Station.

• Two Youth takeover services in May and November.

6.0 Prayer

Prayer remains at the forefront of all church life and activities.
Pre-service prayer takes place every Sunday morning at 9:15am in the cafe and is open for all to join.

At the end of Sunday services the call for ministry and prayer by the host or speaker is met by a team of trained volunteers who come forward to support those responding during the service. There is also a prayer corner open in the hall at the end of every service for anyone seeking support.

There is a prayer meeting open to all on the last Monday of the month at 10am in the main hall at Gateway.

The regular monthly Wednesday All Church Prayer/Worship meetings have been steadily growing with people passionate about prayer and intercession.

WhatsApp groups are used for confidential prayer requests and prayer is a cornerstone of all Connect groups, Trustee and CLT meetings and children's & youth work.

7.0 Cafe and Community

The Community Café continues to open three days each week, welcoming an average of seventy-five visitors and serving around sixty-five free hot meals over the three days, helping to support those in need in our community.

We are now usually able to staff each café session with a team leader and three to four volunteers. This increased capacity has created many opportunities for meaningful conversations with visitors about church and faith.

We have seen encouraging signs of spiritual curiosity. One lady came into the café specifically asking what church is about and who God is; she is now attending church regularly. Several volunteers from the wider community have also chosen to attend Alpha as they explore faith further. The café continues to be a safe and welcoming space for those who are searching to learn more about God.

Over the past year, we have continued to strengthen our working relationships with a range of local organisations. Age Cymru now runs a well-attended monthly session in the café. In addition, both Gwent Police and a team from the Aneurin Bevan University Health Board have delivered drop-in sessions, providing helpful information and guidance on community safety and health matters. We have also benefited from the ongoing support of local businesses. Staff from Barclays Bank have volunteered in the café on several occasions and the majority of the food we provide is donated from local businesses.

The cafe volunteers have grown in confidence over the past year. Several have taken the initiative to complete their food hygiene qualification, further strengthening the quality and professionalism of the café team. We also celebrated one volunteer who moved on to college in September, having gained valuable skills and confidence through their time serving in the café.

7.1 OGR Christmas 2025

The OGR Christmas project was another outstanding success, enabling us to support over three thousand people across Abergavenny and the surrounding area. Through this initiative, individuals and families received either a meal kit, or a freshly cooked Christmas meal. In addition, gift bags were delivered to every resident in local care homes, as well as to several businesses within the town.
Referrals were received from a wide range of sources, allowing us to reach those most in need. Over time, this project has helped us to build strong and trusted relationships with a variety of agencies and organisations, further strengthening our community partnerships.

This work was only possible due to the commitment of a large and dedicated team of volunteers. This year staff from Barclays joined us to help pack hampers after being inspired by the impact of Gateway’s work. Thanks to our volunteer drivers, deliveries were completed across more than twelve routes.

7.2 OGR Schools

This year saw the largest ever number of families referred to us at Christmas for help with food for a Christmas meal and gifts for children.

OGR Schools has broadened to include wider conversations with local primary schools on how we can support families in need. We now provide fruit every week for a local school to give to their youngest pupils as a healthy snack each day and winter coats were provided for pupils at another school.

Several local Headteachers attended our Christmas Carol Service.

8.0 Health & Safety, Buildings and GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation):

8.1 Buildings

Last summer, we hired in a number of portable air conditioners for the Main Hall, which successfully improved the comfort levels for all.

During a storm in September, our rear boundary stone wall collapsed into a neighbour's garden, leaving a large amount of stone rubble, causing a tree to be uprooted and subsequent damage to another fence.

There have been a number of difficulties to overcome in gaining access to the area, including permissions from some residents of Benedict Court. Agreement and cooperation have been achieved, and work has commenced to remove the debris, rebuild a (block) wall and restore the neighbour's garden.

8.2 Health & Safety

There have no incidents or dangerous occurrences to report in the past period. We continue to monitor building internal safety continuously, so any proposed changes are assessed, and any appropriate control measures are applied.

8.3 GDPR

Our Data Protection registration with the Information Commissioner's Office is up to date until next March next year.

Our GDPR compliance continues to perform well, with people registering their communication preferences via our database.

We have not had any data breaches or complaints reported.

9.0 Media

We wish to appreciate our media team, as they work so hard behind the scenes for both Sunday services and community outreach.

Our Sunday production team continues to grow, with our servers embracing new technologies, seeking and introducing new systems to make sure our Sunday services run seamlessly (both in the building and online).

Our livestreamed Sunday service is broadcast on Facebook and YouTube, and our engagement levels and viewer numbers are healthy. The talks are uploaded to our website, during the following week.

We continue to grow our social media presence by developing and actioning a social media strategy which communicates Gateway's vision. We see growth in engagement with the content our small but hardworking team is producing.

10.0 Men's ministry

Over the past twelve months, the Men's Ministry at Gateway Church Abergavenny has continued to provide meaningful opportunities for connection, fellowship, and spiritual growth.

One highlight of the year was the Men's Curry Evening at Regency 59, which was well attended and thoroughly enjoyed. It was a great opportunity for the men to relax together, build friendships, and encourage one another in faith.

Regular Men's Breakfasts have also taken place at Y Bwyty, with at least six gatherings over the year. These have provided a consistent and welcoming space for fellowship and relationship building.

A new initiative, Fire Circle, was launched in 2025/26, this gathering offers a more reflective and informal space for men to come together around a fire for prayer, Bible reading, worship, and shared listening, with an emphasis on confidentiality and mutual respect. This has already met on a couple of occasions and has been a valuable addition to the life of the ministry.

The Men's Ministry also had the privilege of serving at the Gateway Women's Conference, where the team did an excellent job supporting the event and enabling the women to fully engage with the day.

Overall, it has been an encouraging year, with growing connection and a strengthening sense of community among the men.

11.0 Women's ministry

The highlight of the past year was the Women's Aflame Conference. We were delighted to welcome one hundred and twenty women, both from our church and from other local churches. It was a powerful and uplifting event

We were honoured to have the Senior Leader of AoG (Assemblies of God) Net Churches in England, as our guest speaker. Her ministry was inspiring and deeply impactful. We also enjoyed a wonderful Bible journaling session which was both creative and spiritually enriching.

The feedback from attendees was overwhelmingly positive. Many shared how blessed they felt and how warmly welcomed they were throughout the conference.

In addition to special events, the Women's Ministry continues to run a Bible Study group every other Friday. This provides a valuable opportunity for women to come together regularly to study the Word, grow in faith, and build meaningful connections.

Looking ahead, GC Women's Ministry is planning a couple of events for the coming year, including a Breakfast Morning and a Worship Morning.

12.0 Safeguarding

During the year safeguarding training was provided by the church safeguarding team to the Youth leadership team and to all those serving at the Holiday Club. The team itself receives regular updates from Stewardship and uses the 31:8 organisation to administer the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) to provide checks on all volunteers serving in appropriate ministries.

13.0 Structure, governance and management

13.1 The Board of Trustees

Lawrence Wilson (Chair, Legal & Safeguarding), Jo Taylor (Without Portfolio), Sue Hopkins (Staffing), Steph Foley (Grants & Awards), Kath Mallord (Without Portfolio), Aled Williams (Health & Safety, Media, GDPR, Buildings), Chris Vaz (Church leadership).

During the year it was unanimously agreed to reduce the length of term of office from 5 to 3 years to facilitate succession planning.

New trustee appointments are the responsibility of the Board of Trustees. In selecting individuals for appointment as Trustees, the Board has regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the charity.

The trustees have met all the requirements of the Charity Commission and Companies House in terms of its financial and legal activities as a charity.

There have been no health and safety incidents to report in the past period. There were no incidents of serious concern to report in the past period.

14.0 Financial review

14.1 Performance in the Year

Donations totalling £342,494 were received during the year from individuals, churches and grant making bodies and trusts. Other income totalled £53,207, which included rent income of £34,852. The total income for the year was £395,701. Expenditure for the year totalled £352,341. The result for the year was a surplus of £43,360.

14.2 Reserves policy

Our policy is to retain sufficient unrestricted reserves:

- To ensure that the charity has sufficient funds to meet its financial commitments.
- To demonstrate that the charity is sustainable into the future.
- To ensure that the charity is able to manage future unforeseen financial difficulties.
- To ensure that excessive funds are not held without any identifiable reason or for any identifiable purpose.

Financial reserves are considered in two parts:

- General Reserves that are deemed necessary to meet future operational requirements and to protect the charity against future financial uncertainties including loss of income and unexpected increases in operating costs
- Reserves set aside to meet future financial commitments for a specific significant project or venture or planned future commitment. These include the Vision Fund which sets aside funding for future expansion and improvement of buildings and facilities.

At the year end, the charity held unrestricted cash of £142,759, as well as restricted cash of £35,816. In addition, the charity also held an unrestricted 120 day notice deposit account balance of £256,497 and the charity is complying with its reserves policy.

15.0 Responsibilities of trustees under company law

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice). Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charitable company as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial year. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

1. select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
2. observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP (Statement of Recommended Practice)
3. make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
4. state whether the applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
5. prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

15.0 Conclusion

We thank God for his blessings upon us as a fellowship and are committed to following the vision He has set out for us in 2026/27.

16.0 Approval

This report, which has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies, was approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by Lawrence Wilson, Chair of Trustees.

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Lawrence Wilson

Date: Oct 19, 2026 .....

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF

Gateway Church Abergavenny
('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2026 on pages 13 to 23 following, which have been prepared on the basis of the accounting policies set out on pages 15 to 16.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the Company'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 the ICAEW, which is one of the listed bodies.

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:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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.

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Date: Oct 20, 2026

Gateway Church Abergavenny

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2026 £	Total Funds 2025 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:					
Donations	3	291,269	51,225	342,494	305,811
Charitable activities	4	9,276	-	9,276	3,828
Other trading activities	5	34,852	-	34,852	28,940
Investments	6	8,571	508	9,079	11,779
Total income and endowments		343,968	51,733	395,701	350,358
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Charitable activities	7	295,463	56,878	352,341	328,885
Total expenditure		295,463	56,878	352,341	328,885
Net gains/(losses) on investments		-	-	-	-
Net income/(expenditure)		48,505	(5,145)	43,360	21,473
Transfers between funds	16	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		48,505	(5,145)	43,360	21,473
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		536,295	42,011	578,306	556,833
Total funds carried forward	16	584,800	36,866	621,666	578,306

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing operations.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account required by the Companies Act 2006.

The notes on page 15-22 form part of these accounts.

Gateway Church Abergavenny

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2026

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2026 £	Total Funds 2025 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	9	132,846	1,050	133,896	143,183
		132,846	1,050	133,896	143,183
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stock	10	-	-	-	1,400
Debtors	11	60,690	-	60,690	17,045
Investments	12	256,497	-	256,497	249,348
Cash at bank and in hand	13	142,759	35,816	178,575	172,448
		459,946	35,816	495,762	440,241
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	14	(7,992)	-	(7,992)	(5,117)
Net current assets / (liabilities)		451,954	35,816	487,770	435,124
Total assets less current liabilities		584,800	36,866	621,666	578,306
TOTAL NET ASSETS		584,800	36,866	621,666	578,306
FUND BALANCES	16				
Unrestricted Funds					
General funds		342,804	-	342,804	299,354
Designated funds		241,996	-	241,996	236,941
		584,800	-	584,800	536,295
Restricted Funds		-	36,866	36,866	42,011
		584,800	36,866	621,666	578,306

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2026.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2026 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006 however, in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011, the accounts have been examined by an independent examiner and their report has been included in these financial statements.

The directors (who are the charitable company's trustees for the purposes of charity law) acknowledge their responsibilities

(a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records which comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and

(b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its net income or expenditure for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors and were signed on its behalf by:

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Lawrence Wilson

Date: Oct 19, 2026

Company number: 07842926 Charity number: 1146530

The notes on page 15-22 form part of these accounts.

1 Statutory Information

The charity is a charitable company limited by guarantee and is incorporated in the United Kingdom. The company's registered number and registered office address can be found on the Company Information page.

2 Accounting Policies

These financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis, under the historical cost convention.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the "Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) ("the Charities SORP"), with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland ("FRS 102"), with the Companies Act 2006 and with the Charities Act 2011. The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as set out in FRS 102.

The principles adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below.

a) Going concern

The trustees (who are the charitable company's directors for the purposes of company law) have assessed whether the use of the going concern basis is appropriate and have considered possible events or conditions that might cast significant doubt on the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern. The trustees have made this assessment for a period of at least one year from the date of approval of the financial statements. In particular the trustees have considered the charity's forecasts and projections and the possible implications should projected income and / or expenditure vary unexpectedly. The trustees have concluded that there is a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue to operate for the foreseeable future. The charity therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

b) Income

Income including investment income is recognised in the period in which the charity becomes entitled to receipt, the amount receivable can be measured with reasonable certainty, and receipt is probable. For the most part, income is generally recognised when it is received. Income is only deferred when the charity has to fulfil conditions before becoming entitled to it or where the donor has specified that the income is to be expended in a future period.

Income from donations includes:

i) Recoverable gift aid. This is recognised when the related donation is received. Gift aid that has not been recovered by the balance sheet date is included as a debtor.

ii) Donated facilities, services and goods. Goods donated for distribution to beneficiaries are recognised as income when receivable at fair value (being an estimate of the amount it would cost to purchase those items). Facilities, services and goods donated for the charity's own use are recognised as income when receivable at their value to the charity.

The charity relies on volunteers to carry out many of its activities. However, in accordance with the SORP, the value of these services has not been included in these financial statements as they cannot be reliably measured.

When donated goods, services and facilities are distributed or consumed, an expense in respect of those items is included in the Statement of Financial Activities. At the year end any goods that have not been distributed or consumed are recognised as stock; donated fixed assets are capitalised.

Income from charitable activities represents income receivable from goods, services and facilities supplied in furtherance of the charity's charitable objects. It includes income from Youth & Childrens' activities and other church events.

Income from other trading activities represents income receivable from activities undertaken to generate funds for the charity. It includes income from the hire of the church buildings.

Investment income represents income generated by the charity's assets and includes income from bank interest.

c) Expenditure

Expenditure, including irrecoverable VAT, is recognised when it is incurred or, if earlier, when a legal or constructive obligation for a payment arises provided that it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

The charity makes grants to other institutions and individuals to further its charitable objectives. Grants payable are recognised as constructive obligations arise, which is generally when the charity expresses a commitment to the recipient that can be measured reliably and then only to the extent that any conditions associated with the grant are outside of the control of the charity.

The cost of raising funds is not significant and has not been separately disclosed.

Governance costs, which are included in expenditure on charitable activities but are identified separately in the notes to the accounts, includes costs associated with the independent examination of the financial statements, compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements and any other expenditure incurred on the strategic management of the charity.

2 Accounting Policies (cont.)

d) 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. Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. Restricted funds are donations which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors; they include donations received from appeals for specific activities or projects.

e) Tangible fixed assets

Items purchased or donated for the charity's own use are capitalised when the cost of purchased items, or the fair value of donated items, is more than £500 and the item is expected to benefit the charity over more than one accounting period. Depreciation is charged on a straight line basis so as to write down the value of each asset to its estimated residual value (if any) over its expected useful economic life. To achieve this objective the following rates of depreciation are charged:

Freehold land	Is not depreciated (because it is not consumed by use)
Freehold buildings	Over 50 years after taking account of the building's residual value
Fixtures	Over 10 to 15 years
Fittings & Equipment	Over 3 to 10 years

The carrying values of tangible fixed assets are reviewed for impairment in periods when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable.

f) Investments

Current asset investments are investments which a charity holds for resale or pending their sale and cash or cash equivalents with a maturity date of less than one year held for investment purposes rather than to meet short-term cash commitments as they fall due.

g) Stocks

Stocks of donated items held for distribution to beneficiaries are measured at fair value. Most regular stock is perishable (& generally at or beyond sell by date) and is therefore not included.

h) Pension scheme arrangements

The charity operates defined contribution pension schemes for its employees. Obligations for contributions to these schemes are recognised as an expense when the liability arises. The assets of these schemes are held separately from those of the charity in independently administered funds.

i) Taxation

The company is a registered charity; it has taken advantage of the various reliefs from taxation available to charities and no tax is payable on the charity's income.

j) Financial instruments

The charity's financial assets and financial liabilities all qualify as basic financial instruments, as defined by FRS102. Except for loans, creditors and debtors are measured at their expected settlement value (normally the amount of cash that the charity expects to pay or receive). The charity recognises liabilities for the principal of those loans that remains outstanding at the year end (i.e. the liabilities exclude any interest chargeable on the loans in future years).

k) Exemption from preparing a cashflow statement

The charity has taken advantage of an exemption conferred by the Charities SORP and has not prepared a cash flow statement.

l) Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgement

The trustees do not consider that there are any material sources of estimation or uncertainty at the balance sheet date that could result in a material adjustment to the carrying values of assets and liabilities in the next reporting period.

3 Donations

	2026 £	2025 £
Donations of cash and similar	192,890	196,627
Donations in kind (note 3a)	42,801	37,587
Other grants receivable	-	30,130
Legacies receivable	75,714	-
Income tax recoverable	31,090	41,466
	342,494	305,811

a Donations in kind comprise:

	2026 £	2025 £
Goods donated for:		
Distribution to beneficiaries	42,801	37,587
	42,801	37,587

4 Income from charitable activities

	2026	2025
	£	£
Youth & children's activities	5,760	2,626
Other events & activities	3,516	1,202
	9,276	3,828

5 Income from other trading activities

	2026	2025
	£	£
Rental income	34,852	28,940
	34,852	28,940

6 Investment income

	2026	2025
	£	£
Bank interest	9,079	11,779
	9,079	11,779

7 Charitable expenditure

		2026	2025
		£	£
a	**Costs incurred directly on specific activities**		
	Salary costs	171,078	161,477
	Ministry expenses and training	3,572	2,881
	Worship and Media	4,475	4,408
	Speakers expenses	1,147	2,262
	Children and Youth work	12,230	8,048
	Meetings and events	11,247	5,385
	Community Projects	10,888	22,033
	Donations in kind expensed	44,201	37,576
		258,836	244,071
	Grants payable (note 7c)	4,454	4,454
		263,290	248,525
b	**Costs incurred on support & administration**		
	Governance costs		
	Independent examiner's fee	3,300	3,240
		3,300	3,240
	Insurance	4,032	3,812
	Running costs and admin	18,556	16,187
	AOG GB subscription	10,800	7,400
	Utilities	25,035	30,828
	Building repairs and maintenance	18,043	9,666
	Depreciation	9,286	9,227
		89,051	80,360
	Total expenditure	352,341	328,885

The fee payable to the independent examiner for preparing and examining the accounts was £3,300 (2025: £3,240); in addition the charity paid £230 (2025: £220) to Stewardship for consultancy services.

7 Charitable expenditure (cont.)

c Grants payable

	Institutions	Individuals	2026
	£	£	£
Grants for UK and overseas mission	4,454	-	4,454
	4,454	-	4,454

The comparatives for the previous year are as follows:

	Institutions	Individuals	2025
	£	£	£
Grants for UK and overseas mission	4,454	-	4,454
	4,454	-	4,454

The charity's principal grants to institutions comprised:

	2026	2025
	£	£
Vision of Hope Gilwern	1,224	1,224
New Wine Cymru	1,224	1,224
EastWest Ministries	1,800	1,800
Grants to institutions for less than £1,000 each	205	205
	4,454	4,454

8 Analysis of staff costs, the cost of key management personnel and trustee remuneration

	2026	2025
	£	£
Gross wages and salaries	161,982	152,381
Social security	6,085	6,085
Pension costs	3,010	3,010
	171,078	161,477

The average monthly number of employees during the year was 8 (2025: 8) and the full time equivalent number of employees during the year was 5 (2025: 5). Most of the charity's activities are carried out by volunteers.

No staff received salaries at a rate of more than £60,000 per annum.

The charity's key management comprise the trustees and the key staff named on the Company Information page.

	Wages & salaries	Other employment benefits	Employer pension contributions	2026 £
Trustees:				
Aled Williams	31,397	-	755	32,152
Christopher Vaz	47,570	-	1,240	48,810
				80,962

The following amounts were payable in the previous year:

	Wages & salaries	Other employment benefits	Employer pension contributions	2025 £
Other members of key management	45,741	-	1,185	46,926
				46,926

Christopher Vaz served as a church leader and Aled Williams as the operations manager, they received the above payments for serving in that capacity, not for serving as trustees; these payments are permitted by the charity's governing document.

Apart from detailed above, no trustees received employment benefits in either the current or preceding year.

9 Tangible fixed assets

	Land & buildings			
	Freehold Property	Fixtures	Fittings and equipment	Total 2026
	£	£	£	£
Cost/valuation				
At 1 April 2025	162,500	19,675	41,194	223,369
Additions	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2026	162,500	19,675	41,194	223,369
Accumulated depreciation				
At 1 April 2025	35,750	16,647	27,790	80,187
Charge for the year	3,250	1,912	4,124	9,286
At 31 March 2026	39,000	18,558	31,914	89,473
Net book value				
At 31 March 2026	123,500	1,117	9,280	133,896
At 31 March 2025	126,750	3,028	13,404	143,183

10 Stock

	2026	2025
	£	£
Donated goods		
For distribution to beneficiaries	-	1,400
	-	1,400

11 Debtors

	2026	2025
	£	£
Falling due within one year:		
Tax recoverable	6,235	4,889
Prepayments and accrued income	54,455	12,156
	60,690	17,045

12 Current asset investments

	2026	2025
	£	£
120 day notice deposit account	256,497	249,348
	256,497	249,348

13 Cash at Bank and in Hand

	2026	2025
	£	£
Cash at bank with immediate access	178,534	172,425
Petty cash	41	23
	178,575	172,448

14 Creditors: liabilities falling due within one year

	2026	2025
	£	£
Accruals	5,982	3,897
Deferred income	2,010	1,220
	7,992	5,117

Deferred income consists of advance payments for Youth Camp. The balance of £1,220 (2025: £280) at the start of the reporting period was fully released during the year and the deferred income at year end of £2,010 (2025: £1,220) will be released within one year.

15 Pension commitments

During the year employer's pension contributions totalling £3,238 (2025: £3,025) were payable to defined contribution personal pension schemes. No pension contributions were owing at the balance sheet date (2025: £nil).

16 Funds

During the year the movements in the charity's funds were as follows:

	Opening balance 2026 £	Incoming resources 2026 £	Outgoing resources 2026 £	Transfers in the year 2026 £	Closing balance 2026 £
Designated Funds					
Bible School Fund	4,479	-	-	-	4,479
Holiday Club	-	991	(3,960)	2,970	-
Vision Fund	231,469	6,048	-	-	237,517
Youth Fund	994	4,820	(6,311)	498	-
	236,941	11,858	(10,271)	3,468	241,996
General Unrestricted Funds	299,354	332,110	(285,192)	(3,468)	342,804
Total Unrestricted Funds	536,295	343,968	(295,463)	-	584,800
Restricted Funds					
Operation Gateway Relief	24,817	6,358	(10,248)	-	20,926
Poverty and Hardship Fund	12,710	-	-	-	12,710
Gateway Community Café	2,424	45,376	(46,365)	-	1,434
Youth training	141	-	-	-	141
IT Hub	1,919	-	(265)	-	1,654
Other Restricted funds	-	-	-	-	-
	42,011	51,733	(56,878)	-	36,866
Aggregate of funds	578,306	395,701	(352,341)	-	621,666

The transfers referred to above were made for the following reasons:

a) Transfer from General Funds to designated Holiday Club fund as a subsidy for this activity.

b) Transfer from General Funds to designated Youth fund as a subsidy for this activity.

Analysis of net assets by fund

The assets and liabilities of the various funds were as follows:

	Unrestricted Funds			
	General funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	2026 £
Tangible fixed assets	132,846	-	1,050	133,896
Debtors	60,690	-	-	60,690
Current asset investments	14,501	241,996	-	256,497
Cash at bank and in hand	142,759	-	35,816	178,575
Creditors falling due within one year	(7,992)	-	-	(7,992)
	342,804	241,996	36,866	621,666

16 Funds (cont.)

In the previous year the movements in the charity's funds were as follows:

	Opening balance 2025 £	Incoming resources 2025 £	Outgoing resources 2025 £	Transfers in the year 2025 £	Closing balance 2025 £
Designated Funds					
Bible School Fund	4,599	-	(120)	-	4,479
Holiday Club	-	477	(3,616)	3,139	-
Vision Fund	223,325	8,144	-	-	231,469
Youth Fund	1,641	2,149	(2,797)	-	994
	229,565	10,770	(6,533)	3,139	236,941
General Unrestricted Funds	289,365	265,335	(259,137)	3,791	299,354
Total Unrestricted Funds	518,930	276,106	(265,670)	6,930	536,295
Restricted Funds					
Operation Gateway Relief	19,996	26,633	(21,813)	-	24,817
Poverty and Hardship Fund	12,710	-	-	-	12,710
Gateway Community Café	2,621	39,490	(39,687)	-	2,424
Youth training	141	-	-	-	141
IT Hub	2,434	-	(515)	-	1,919
Other Restricted funds	-	8,130	(1,200)	(6,930)	-
	37,903	74,253	(63,215)	(6,930)	42,011
Aggregate of funds	556,833	350,358	(328,885)	-	578,306

Analysis of net assets by fund

In the previous year, the assets and liabilities of the various funds were as follows:

	Unrestricted Funds			
	General funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	2025 £
Tangible fixed assets	141,528	-	1,655	143,183
Stock	-	-	1,400	1,400
Debtors	17,045	-	-	17,045
Current asset investments	12,407	236,941	-	249,348
Cash at bank and in hand	133,492	-	38,956	172,448
Creditors falling due within one year	(5,117)	-	-	(5,117)
	299,354	236,941	42,011	578,306

Designated Funds

The Bible School Fund is for funds related to the bible school.
The Holiday Club Fund is for income and expenses for the running of a holiday club.
The Vision Fund is for investment in staffing & building needs.
The Youth Fund is for funds to support activities with youth and young adults.

Restricted Funds

Operation Gateway Relief Fund is to support community projects.

16 Funds (cont.)

The Poverty & Hardship fund is to enable the Church to reach out to the vulnerable in the community in terms of day-to-day living, accommodation and general wellbeing needs.
Gateway Community Café (formerly known as Fathers Arms) is a drop-In Café, providing food and support for those in need in our community.
The Youth Training Fund reflects the receipt and use of funds for training young people.
The IT Hub Fund is to enable the charity to buy laptops and IT equipment so that IT courses, including online safety, can be provided to the public.
Other Restricted funds includes small one off appeals and donations and in 2024/25 a one-off grant to cover energy costs incurred in the previous financial year.

17 Transactions with related parties

During the year the charity:

a) received donations totalling £21,657 (2025: £23,151) from related parties (which includes trustees, any other members of key management and anyone closely connected to them).

Except as disclosed in note 8 'Analysis of staff costs', there have been no other transactions with related parties during the year.

18 Members

Each member of the company commits to contribute if the charity is wound up an amount of £10.

Gateway Church Abergavenny

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES WITH COMPARATIVES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

	Note	Unrestricted funds General 2026 £	Designated 2026 £	Restricted 2026 £	Total 2026 £	Unrestricted funds General 2025 £	Designated 2025 £	Restricted 2025 £	Total 2025 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:									
Donations	3	291,219	50	51,225	342,494	232,371	0	73,440	305,811
Charitable activities	4	3,516	5,760	-	9,276	1,202	2,626	-	3,828
Other trading activities	5	34,852	-	-	34,852	28,940	0	-	28,940
Investments	6	2,523	6,048	508	9,079	2,822	8,144	813	11,779
Total income and endowments		332,110	11,858	51,733	395,701	265,335	10,770	74,253	350,358
EXPENDITURE ON:									
Charitable activities:	7	285,192	10,271	56,878	352,341	259,137	6,533	63,215	328,885
Total Expenditure		285,192	10,271	56,878	352,341	259,137	6,533	63,215	328,885
Net income/(expenditure)		46,918	1,587	(5,145)	43,360	6,198	4,237	11,038	21,473
Transfers between funds	16	(3,468)	3,468	-	-	3,791	3,139	(6,930)	-
Net movement in funds		43,450	5,055	(5,145)	43,360	9,989	7,376	4,108	21,473
Reconciliation of funds:									
Total funds brought forward		299,354	236,941	42,011	578,306	289,365	229,565	37,903	556,833
Total funds carried forward	16	342,804	241,996	36,866	621,666	299,354	236,941	42,011	578,306