Great Parks Chapel Management Trust

A Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Charity number 1156314

Trustees Annual Report to 31st March 2026

Purpose

The purpose of the Great Parks Chapel Management Trust is to oversee the activities at Great Parks Chapel and to ensure they are in keeping with the Objects of this trust.

Objects

The Objects of this trust are for the benefit of the public and regard has been given to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. The Objects include:

1. to advance the Christian faith
2. to relieve sickness, financial hardship and promote good health with funds, goods and services in the UK or anywhere in the world as the trustees think fit and
3. to advance education where, and as, the trustees think fit.

Achievements and Performance

Great Parks Chapel offers a wide range of services each week with some special events during the course of the year. We trust that our community, young and older, find these interesting, helpful and spiritually uplifting. As well as Easter, Harvest and Christmas services there are regular times of prayer in the chapel as well as in homes. Groups for young people provide Christian teaching as well as guidance for living.

We have seen increasing numbers at our activities including at our weekly Mums and Toddlers group, our Sunday morning family services, and at the numerous Bible study home groups held each week.

All are welcome at our regular services and events including the weekly coffee mornings and the occasional church Sunday lunch.

From time to time we hold special events in the Chapel, such as child dedications, baptisms and funeral services.

Structure

Trustees This CIO was established on 1st July 2014 and continues with 5 trustees.

Leaders There is normally a team of 3 unpaid leaders who oversee the main spiritual thrust of the chapel.

Cleaner The trust employs the services of one of our church members to keep the chapel clean and tidy.

Members Those who attend Great Parks Chapel are either invited or request to become members and the number of members now stands at 50

Volunteers Great Parks Chapel is most fortunate that there is a hardworking, loyal team of volunteers: musicians, caterers and helpers who assist as required in our services and activities.

Outreach and Mission

To interest the community in our activities and our faith, from time to time we would organise a Christianity Explored course held in the chapel.
Each week a team visits a local primary school to read Bible stories to children under the organisation Open the Book. Each week a number of church volunteers meet local residents at their doors and we would speak to shoppers and visitors n Paignton town centre and seafront introducing them to Great Parks Chapel, its activities and to share our beliefs. We are usually represented at the local Torbay Air Display weekend.

Legal requirements

The trustees are aware of their legal obligations and the appropriate insurances and policies are in place. These include

Food handling certification for those leading the catering teams
All leaders of, and helpers with, youth activities are DBS checked
As required in our Child Protection policy an Advocate has been appointed.

The trustees meet regularly to discuss and decide charity responsibilities. We are aware of the requirements of General Data Protection regulations.

Finances

The end of the financial year for Great Park Chapel is the 31st March.
The chapel derives its income from weekly offerings, donations and Gift Aid. The offering received on one Sunday each month (usually the first Sunday) is for the benefit of one of the Christian workers or organisations, which we support. This offering is known as our Window on the World (WOW).
The records and accounts are maintained by a non-paid treasurer and are subjected to an annual independent examination.
These funds are used to maintain the chapel premises, to cover the cost of our activities and to provide help when, and in whatever manner, the trustees decide. Over the past 12 months we have supported, amongst others

In the UK	A number of individual Christian workers and organisations including an organisation that works with UK armed forces Youth camp work
Worldwide	UK workers who were based in Asia but now support and advise Christians overseas by Internet and personal visits.

Serious Incidents

This charity has not been involved in any serious incidents in this period.

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Summary of Receipts and Payments account for the period
1st April 2025 to 31st March 2026

RECEIPTS	**2026**
General Receipts	
Gift Aided	24224
Non Gift Aided-General	10177
	34401
Miscellaneous Receipts	--
Capital Reserve Interest	356
Gift Aid refunds 2020/21	--
TOTAL RECEIPTS for the PERIOD	**34757**

PAYMENTS	**2026**
Salaries – Wages	----
Entertainment and Refreshments	968
Postage, Printing and Stationery	109
Website	130
Resources	706
Light and Heat	2165
Telephone & Internet	562
Cleaning	2991
Repairs and Renewals	714
Guest Speakers	9840
Giving	13750
Insurance	1498
Water	887
Licences and Subscriptions	1220
Miscellaneous Expenses	1861
TOTAL PAYMENTS FOR THE PERIOD	**37401**

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	2026
RECEIPTS	34757
PAYMENTS	(37401)
SURPLUS	(2644)

Cash Balances held	
Opening balances 1st April 2025	41571
Plus SURPLUS IN THE PERIOD	(2644)
Closing balances 31st March 2026	38927
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NOTES

1. These financial statements have been prepared using the Receipts & Payments basis.
2. No payments have been made to the trustees of the Great Parks Chapel Management Trust in their roles as trustees.

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ACCOUNTANTS REPORT TO GREAT PARKS CHAPEL MANAGEMENT TRUST ON THE RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

We have examined the Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31 March 2026.

The Receipts and Payments Accounts comprise of income of £34,757 and expenditure of £37,401 therefore showing a deficit for the year ended 31 March 2026 of £2,644.

The overall funds held by the Great Parks Chapel Management Trust as at 31 March 2026 in its bank accounts with the NatWest Bank amount to £38,927.

In our opinion the Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31 March 2026 and funds held as specified above and as shown by the accounting records, adequately show the state of affairs of the Great Parks Chapel Management Trust.

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