Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date				Period end date		
From	01	02	2025	**To**	31	01	2026

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	Earlesfield Community Church
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number (if any)	1170812
Charity's principal address	20 Gresley Court
	Grantham
	Lincolnshire
	Postcode **NG31 7RH**

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Daniel Howson	Chairperson		
2	Grace Howson			
3	Andrew Morton	Treasurer		
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Trustees are appointed by a resolution passed by the existing trustees. Recommendations for appointment as a trustee are accepted from the Elders.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

Earlesfield Community Church was established for
1) The advancement of the Christian Faith
2) Any other charitable work that facilitates the preceding aim.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

In working towards the objectives, the Trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and have worked towards making Earlesfield Community Church as accessible and inclusive as possible to all the community.

Church Activities
All aspects of the ministry of Earlesfield Community Church have seen encouraging growth this past year.
On Sunday mornings we have met in the local InspireU venue which is very accessible and suitable for our needs.
Our church has become more diverse both in nationalities and in age range of attendees.
Nine baptisms have been special times of celebration and thanks to God.
As a church fellowship we often enjoy food together after church services. These are precious moments of sharing life and enjoying each other's company.
'Sunday Club' and 'Creche' have been significant for our children's growth in their knowledge of Jesus and the Christian faith.

Bible Study on a Tuesday evening has given opportunities for questions and lively discussion on many relevant topics and subjects. This has been appreciated by all who attend but particularly those who are new to faith.

We hosted a team of university students from Mississippi over the May half term holidays. The team enjoyed their visit and local folk are still talking about the community activities held during their visit

Summer Camps were booked to capacity with around eighty accommodated over the two weeks. Camps are a highlight for our church with many volunteering to help and the two weeks have created valuable contact with wider families from our estate. A big impact for the gospel has been made on our estate. Camps are a massive undertaking both logistically, practically and spiritually but SO worth the hard work.

Easter and Christmas events were exceptionally well attended and appreciated by our local community giving many opportunities for relationships to develop and strengthen.

'Christianity Explored' and 'Money management' courses have been wonderful opportunities to get alongside individuals and bring Christian teaching into everyday situations. These were much better attended than we expected with around thirty at each course.

Hope Community Café continues to be a hive of activity and is widely accepted as a community hub on our estate. The café is loved by our community and is as busy as we can cope with!
We continue to have an apprentice work with us in the café.

Hope Community Café has accommodated several placement students from various learning providers across Grantham.
Several groups and organisations from the wider area use the café as a place to meet, chat and enjoy a good coffee, e.g. a local bike project team, a knitting group, a group dedicated to helping parents and carers with children who have special needs.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The church has met every Sunday.

Weekly Bible studies.

Seven-week Christianity Explored course.

Three-week Christians Against Poverty (money management) course

Hope Community Cafe has opened Tuesday to Thursday every week.

School collective worship has continued in both the primary and secondary schools.

Weekly 'Tots and Toys'.

Weekly after school club.

Monthly men's discussion group.

Christmas and Easter celebrations events

All these activities have given many opportunities for sharing the good news and providing bible teaching on a variety of subjects and scripture passages.

In addition, the church has:

- Supported overseas missions.
- Daily distributed surplus food received from a local shop.
- Worked with our local youth and provided groups for these to meet in a safe environment.
- Facilitated fortnightly ladies' Bible study group.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	The ECC policy is to retain 3 months expenditure as unrestricted reserves, in case of unexpected expenses.
Details of any funds materially in deficit	N/A

Further financial review details (Optional information)

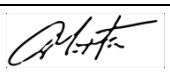
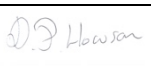
You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about: • the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising); • how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity; • investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.	

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Andrew Morton	Daniel Howson
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	Chairperson

Date	18/05/2026

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Earlesfield Community Church	1170812

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01/02/2025	To	31/01/2026

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations & Offerings	37,999	-	-	37,999	38,100
Gift Aid	2,420	-	-	2,420	
Rental Income	6,354	-	-	6,354	5,928
Trading	61,173	-	-	61,173	57,070
Interest	1,187	-	-	1,187	1,415
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total *(Gross income for AR)*	109,133	-	-	109,133	102,513
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	109,133	-	-	109,133	102,513
A3 Payments					
Evangelism & Outreach	1,682	-	-	1,682	840
Ministry Expenses	5,746	-	-	5,746	5,188
Maintainence	8,080	-	-	8,080	2,014
Rental	1,040	-	-	1,040	1,385
Overseas & Local Mission	5,681	-	-	5,681	4,975
Trading Costs	36,583	-	-	36,583	38,560
Professional Fees	4,647	-	-	4,647	4,093
Staff costs	33,655	-	-	33,655	25,366
Camp Cost	11,749			11,749	7,478
		-	-	-	-
Sub total	108,863	-	-	108,863	89,899
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	108,863	-	-	108,863	89,899
Net of receipts/(payments)	270	-	-	270	12,614
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	78,047	-	-	78,047	65,433
Cash funds this year end	78,317	-	-	78,317	78,047

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank Accounts	78,317	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	78,317	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds	**Restricted funds**	**Endowment funds**

B2 Other monetary assets

Details	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	A Morton	24/02/2026

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of (Charity Name) EARLESFIELD COMMUNITY CHURCH

On accounts for the year ended 31 JANUARY 2026 **Charity no (if any)** 1170812

Set out on pages 9 AND 10 (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/01/2026.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust'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 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention ~~(other than that disclosed below *)~~ in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed: IRMace **Date:** 28/05/2026

Name: IAN MACE

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any): A.C.A.

Address: 2 GARDEN CLOSE
GRANTHAM
NG31 9EF

Section B Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

NONE