KINGSTEIGNTON COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH (KCBC)

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2025

The Trustees present their report together with the financial statements of the Church for the year ended 31st December 2025.

Principal Address (until 19/10/25)
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Mr N Oddy [Secretary KCBC] **(from 20/10/25)**
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Trustees
The Trustees during the year were:

Rev David Goddard – Minister (until 19/10/25)
Michael Trigg – Treasurer & Deacon (until 21/10/25)
Nicholas Oddy – Secretary & Deacon
David Butler – Deacon (21/1/25) & Treasurer (from 21/10/25)
Sheila Pink – Deacon (Reaffirmed 21/10/25)
Michael Hayes – Deacon (until 29/04/25)
Angela Harvey – Deacon (from 29/04/25)

Structure, Governance and Management
The Managing Trustees are responsible for carrying out the day-to-day management and administration of the Church. The Trustees comprise the Minister, Deacons, Church Secretary and Church Treasurer. The Church operates within the framework set out in its constitution as amended in October 2021.

The Minister, Elders and Deacons are appointed by ballot of the membership, the Church will decide on the number to be appointed. The Secretary and Treasurer are appointed on the recommendation of the leadership and from members of the Church.

Risk Management
The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Church is exposed, which remain under regular review, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate their exposure to major risks.

Objectives and Activities
The principal purpose of the charity is the advancement of the Christian faith. In fulfilling the principal purpose the Church will engage in a range of activities, either on its own or with others, including: worship and prayer, evangelism, expressing God's love, nurture and growth of Christian disciples, training and equipping the congregation for Christian service, giving pastoral care, supporting charitable social action, relating in support and fellowship to other Baptists and other Christians and raising finance to further the purposes by receiving grants, donations and loans.

Achievements and Performance 2025
The town and civil parish of Kingsteignton lies at the head of the River Teign Estuary in South Devon. The town continues to grow as further developments are built around the town and at the 2021 Census the resident population of Kingsteignton was just under 12,000.

Two major events in 2025 for our Church were the retirement of our Minister and KCBC's 40th Anniversary.

The celebration of the 40th Anniversary of worship at the Kingsteignton Community Hall, where we meet each Sunday, took place in September. There were presentations, slide shows and photographs reminding everyone of the original aims of those who planted the church in 1985 – "..... the church will emphasise personal faith in Jesus Christ, growth, and development of a personal relationship with him, putting faith into practice in daily life," together with testimonies and memories from those who were original members of the Church.

On 19th October, the fellowship of KCBC, former and present members, colleagues and family of the Rev David Goddard came together for a Worship Service and Fellowship Lunch to celebrate his 15 years of service as the Minister and formally mark his retirement. Around one hundred people were there, stories, photographs and gifts were shared to remember his and his wife's treasured time with us

shepherding God's people, sharing faithful service, dedication, wisdom, and compassion. Sending them off with thanks, we prayed for the blessings, joy, and fresh discoveries to come.

During the year, the Leadership Team held its monthly meetings, with the Trustees meeting for separate meetings. Major themes for discussion and decision making included the cost-of-living crisis and the effects on the local community and members of our church family; involvement in community events - the annual Ram Fair together with community and church Christmas events; looking ahead to the 40th Anniversary and the Minister's Retirement. During the year, the Leadership held an awayday, meeting together for quiet reflection and to consider the life and direction of the church. There were also the quarterly Church Members' Meetings, which are the important framework for making decisions on the life and future of KCBC.

KCBC's Outreach in the community continued throughout 2025, from the Minister's, attendance at local and district Council meetings regarding the cost-of-living crisis, local volunteer meetings and the Caring Alliance Meeting; the Minister's weekly involvement in the Community Garden; the Minister's hosting of School Assemblies in the town; members of the church involved in CAP Money; a member of the church working with Linking Lives in the town; two members of the church have continued their involvement with a local Charity (cr2ee) attending monthly prayer meetings and encouraging the fellowship to help with monthly donations of clothing and household goods, together with the gift Shoeboxes at Christmas; members of the church were involved with the annual Christmas Carols and Quiz at a local Public House. The Kingsteignton Ram Fair was held in May, together with our themed stall, KCBC also hosted the Coconut Shy on behalf of the Ram Fair Committee. KCBC's theme at the Fair was 'Communication' and through discussions with the public, an interactive game for two players and craft making cards-with-a-message for friends and family, there were plenty of opportunities to encourage conversations and cooperation through communication. With the retirement of two of the Ministers and the division of role of the third, the work between KCBC and the two other Kingsteignton Churches drew down. After 11 years Messy Church, run by the three churches, held its final meeting on 19th July. KCBC continued supporting the local Foodbank, THAT, including the donation of products from the Harvest Festival Service and Advent Calendars in time for Christmas.

KiLTs, a parent and toddler group outreach activity for more than 30 years, continued to meet during term time in 2025. Once again, the Craft & Chatter Team helped by crafting gifts at Easter & Christmas Lamb egg holders for Easter and Candles for Christmas. The Candles were a part of the Travelling Nativity case which was passed around our community of families once again, and included the gift, story books, a prayer, and the Nativity Story interactive characters. The KiLTs' Nativity event involved children, adults and the KILTS' team, everyone dressing up in various nativity costumes, retelling, and acting in the Nativity Story ..... and the live sheep proved a popular hit once again! It was a wonderful occasion and for some children, their introduction to the Nativity Story.

There were updates during the year of Home Mission and the BMS' work overseas at Sunday Worship. KCBC continues to support both vital outreach Missions financially, through the approval of the Church Members.

Within the fellowship there were 3 home groups meeting fortnightly during the year together with smaller Bible Study Groups; the Prayer Ministry Team was reorganized with new members and resumed after Sunday Services; the Sunday Clubs, Owls & Eagles, continued throughout the year culminating in the Nativity Play involving the children, leaders and helpers of both groups; there were Social Events; the Craft & Chatter Group met monthly as well as the Friday Outing Group visiting local café's for a time of fellowship; each month there is a Fellowship Bring & Share Lunch. At Easter there were: Palm Sunday, including a Guest Speaker, Maundy Thursday Communion, Good Friday, Son Rise, and Easter Day Services to celebrate the Good News and at Christmas aside from events already listed, there was the always popular Carols by Candlelight Service.

As part of our good practices the Trustees conducted an annual review and, as necessary, amendment of the church's Policies and Procedures. Three members of the church are Fire Marshals in accordance with the contract held with the Council to hire the building.

At the Annual General Church Members' Meeting in January the Minister announced his retirement date of October 2025 with discussion taking place on practical issues, such as resources and advice which would be readily available from the South West Baptist Association (SWBA) and the established process of seeking a new Minister. At the Church Members' Meeting in July, it was formally agreed to continue Sunday Worship Services, Children's work, church@prayer,

Fellowship Groups, Home Groups, KiLTs, Candlelight & Easter Services, Ram Fair, Pastoral Visiting Team and Fellowship Lunches and formally cease, for now, Schools' work, Council Prayers and Leading the Civic Carol Service.

During the year, the Leadership held Church Forums to formally prepare for the retirement and the ongoing life of the church- discussion with SWBA, the actual retirement including volunteers for organising a Celebration of his ministry, and the appointment of a Moderator. In July, the leadership approached the SWBA regarding the Moderator position and potential candidates. Our former Minister-in-Training was formally recommended by SWBA and at a Special Church Members' Meeting in September, the Members voted and agreed to the appointment of Rev Rose Millard. The moderator's role is to provide spiritual, pastoral, and organizational oversight during the pastoral vacancy, ensure the church continues to function healthily without a minister, and guide us through the discernment and settlement process toward a new minister.

Following the Minister's retirement KCBC entered a period of Pastoral Vacancy, however, our Sunday Worship Services and life of the church continue. The Leading Worship Team has coordinated our services to ensure that all elements of our worship and faith are available to the fellowship and visitors. The Sermon has been covered by a variety of invited Guest Speakers and members of the fellowship.

Safeguarding

In accordance with good practices KCBC has continued to build on its Safeguarding work. The DPS incumbent changed in April 2025. The Safeguarding Team consists of the Designated Person for Safeguarding, the focal point at KCBC for Safeguarding and decision making; the Deputy Designated Person for Safeguarding, who runs the day-to-day admin, DBS checks and ensures training is up to date; and our Safeguarding Trustee. Everyone within the Fellowship who volunteers to help with children's activities and who meets with children and adults at risk is DBS checked, and during 2025 the DDPS continued to ensure that everyone's certification was up to date either through renewal or new volunteers. Safeguarding remains a monthly agenda item at Leadership Meetings and is included annually at the Church Members' Meeting to ensure the membership is kept up to date and has an opportunity to give their approval to the Policy and Code of Conduct documents. During 2025 a number of people in church updated their

Safeguarding training by in-person attendance at an approved Baptist Association training day. The DPS, & DDPS attended on-line Safeguarding training.

General Data Protection Regulations

KCBC is registered with the ICO, and the Minister was the appointed KCBC Data Protection Officer. From October 2025 at the minister's retirement, we did not appoint a new DPO. The regulations, including KCBC's Data Protection Policy, and what they mean to us as a Church have been widely discussed amongst the Leadership and shared with the Church Members as well as the whole fellowship. Our GDPR documents are published on the website and are available from the DPO.

Financial Review

Total receipts to the Unrestricted Fund in 2025 were £69,644. A Gift Aid income tax refund of £12,203 was received which was allocated to this Fund. Donations totalling £5,556, and specific donations of £1,750 were received and allocated to this Fund. Interest received in 2025 was £2,822, also allocated to this Fund. Payments from this fund totalled £63,777, resulting in a surplus of £5,867. The surplus arose due to the retirement of our Minister in October.

There were no receipts into other Restricted Funds, nor were there any payments. £189 was transferred out of the KILTS Restricted Fund to support the work of KILTS in the Unrestricted Fund. This leaves a balance of other Restricted Funds of £5,037. The balance of funds in the Unrestricted Fund at 31 December 2025 was £61,597.

The Trustees have examined the requirements for free reserves which are those unrestricted funds not designated for specific purposes. The Trustees consider that to cover the costs of future ministerial staff, the available funds should be replenished during the pastoral vacancy.

Public Benefit

The trustees are aware of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in "The Advancement of religion for the Public Benefit" and have regard to it in their administration of the church's work in the town. The trustees believe that, by fulfilling their responsibility to work together with the Minister in the church and co-operate in all matters of concern and importance for the promotion of the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social, and ecumenical, it

provides a benefit to the public by:

- Providing resources and facilities for public worship, pastoral care, and spiritual, moral, and intellectual development, both for its members and anyone who wishes to benefit from what the Church offers;
- Promoting Christian values, and service by members of the Church in the town to the community, to the benefit of individuals and society as a whole.

Signed For, and on behalf of the Trustees.

Mr N Oddy (Secretary) ..... Date: 13/6/2024

KINGSTEIGNTON COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2025

	Unrestricted Fund	*Restricted Fund*	*Total 2025*	*Total 2024*
		(Note 2)		
Receipts				
Regular giving (Note 3)	47314		47314	46668
Donations & other income (Note 4)	5556		5556	4648
Income tax on gifts	12203		12203	11938
Donations for specific purposes (Note 5)	1750		1750	0
Interest received	2822		2822	152
	69644	0	69644	63406
Payments				
Ministry				
Minister's stipend & oncosts	30199		30199	34,469
Minister's travel & expenses	386		386	501
Preaching fees & expenses	460		460	200
Conf/retreat fees & expenses	0		0	452
Mission				
Donations to other causes	4786		4786	5,417
Children & young people	35		35	101
Outreach	0		0	0
Training	20		20	900
Premises costs				
Hall rent	5721		5721	5,517
Manse rent & expenses	17338		17338	19,142
Administration				
Office supplies	30		30	307
Telephone & broadband	420		420	481
Subscriptions	1326		1326	1,022
Accountancy fees	264		264	264
Insurance	525		525	535
Equipment & repairs	773		773	295
Celebration costs (Note 5)	1333		1333	0
Miscellaneous	161		161	165
	63777	0	63777	69768
Net Incoming Resources	**5,867**	**0**	**5,867**	**(6,362)**
Transfer	189	(189)		
Fund balances brought forward	55540	5227	60767	67,129
Fund balances carried forward	61597	5037	66634	60767

KINGSTEIGNTON COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2025

ASSETS	*Unrestricted Fund*	*Restricted Fund (Note 2)*	*Total 2025*	*Total 2024*
Bank & cash balances				
General current accounts	21612	5037	26649	23625
BU Corporation Ltd	39963		39963	37142
Cash	21		21	
	61597	5037	66634	60767

Assets retained for the church's own use

Music & PA equipment

Church equipment and books

PC notebook, projector & screen

Parent & toddler group equipment

Insured value (Baptist Insurance) 35952

LIABILITIES

Income tax/NI due in Jan 2026 277

The accounts on pages 1 and 2 were approved by the trustees on 13/6/26 (Date) and signed on their behalf by:

Mr N R Oddy (Secretary)

KINGSTEIGNTON COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH
NOTES ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2025

1 *Accounting Policies*

The accounts have been prepared on a Receipts and Payments basis in accordance with section 133 of the Charities Act 2011.

2 *Restricted Fund*

The restricted fund relates to income restricted by the donors for specific purposes. The transactions of the restricted fund for the year are:

	As at 01-Jan-25	*Transferred General*	*As at 31-Dec-25*
New outreach	2,328		2,328
KILTS	2,898	(189)	2,709
	5,226	(189)	5,037

3 *Regular giving*

	2025	*2024*
Offering by weekly collection	8765	6934
Gifts by bank transfer	38549	39734
	47314	46668

4 *Donations & other income*

	2025	*2024*
Donations	4441	3469
Kilts	1116	1179
Sundry income	0	0
	5556	4648

5 *Retirement celebration*

Donations of £1750 were received against expenses of £1333.
The surplus was retained in the Unrestricted Fund with the permission of the donors.

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Our Ref: KFG/1608

10 September 2026

Dear Sirs

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Kingsteignton Community Baptist Church

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts pf the Kingsteignton Community Baptist Church (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of the 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 all 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 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 Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. The accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

Signed: [signature] Date: 10/9/2026

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