Providence Chapel, Chichester

Report and Accounts
Year ended 31 March 2026

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PROVIDENCE CHAPEL, CHICHESTER

LEGAL & ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDENCE	Chapel Street Chichester West Sussex PO19 1BU
GOVERNING DOCUMENT	Constitution dated 24 May 2021
CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER	1194577
TRUSTEES RESPONSIBLE FOR MANAGING THE CHARITY	Jason Pallister Howard Sayers (resigned February 2026) Rev John Saunders Timothy Risbridger Mark Riedel (appointed February 2025) David Smith (appointed May 2025)
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Nicola Harrison CA Stewardship 1 Lamb's Passage LONDON EC1Y 8AB

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

The Trustees have pleasure in submitting the Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2026.

Objects of the charity
The charity, which is a church, is governed by a constitution and is constituted as a charitable incorporated organisation.

The purpose of the Church is to glorify God by promoting His worship, declaring His Word in its entirety, building up His people in their holy faith, obeying His moral law (summarised in the Ten Commandments) and extending His Kingdom throughout the world.

Summary of the charity's main activities and achievements

To further the above objects and vision, the charity's main activities and achievements were as follows:

The charity is most grateful to the Lord new visitors coming to the Sunday services and for the blessing of the ministry of Pastor Jason Pallister.

The Sunday school continues an afternoon service at the end of this accounting period. Much prayer and effort is made to recruit further children from the local area to attend the Sunday School.

The church has been much encouraged in the past year with a baptism and an additional person becoming a member of the church.

The church has been further encouraged by a significant increase in visitors and newcomers to the Sunday services.

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

Financial review
During the year income decreased by £2,231, to £39,011, and expenditure decreased by £5,941, to £45,654. As a result the cash held by the charity decreased by £6,644, to £104,962, of which all is unrestricted and can be used for any charitable purpose.

During the year, we were particularly encouraged by regular monthly giving.

Significant one-off electrical works were carried out in the year resulting in a deficit for the year.

The Trustees are satisfied the funds are being maintained and are in line with the reserves policy. The principal source of funding is from gifts from attendees at services.

Reserves policy

The trustees have determined that the charity should aim to hold unrestricted cash of no less than £90,000 (which equates to about 24 months of unrestricted expenditure) so that the charity could continue to operate should income and / or expenditure vary adversely. At the year end, the charity held unrestricted cash of £104,962 and the charity is complying with its reserves policy.

The level of reserves set by the trustees reflects the charity's responsibility for maintaining the chapel building and manse in the event of significant maintenance or repairs being required for these buildings.

Governance

Responsibility for setting policy and for making operating decisions rest with the trustees who meet regularly to monitor the activities of the charity. The appointment of new trustees is governed by and set out in the governing document. The power of appointing new trustees is vested in the current trustees.

Responsibilities of trustees

We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable us to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011.

We also have a responsibility to safeguard the assets of the charity and to take reasonable steps to prevent fraud or any other irregularities.

Approval

This report was approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Tim Risbridger

Tim Risbridger (Oct 22, 2026 20:18:18 GMT+1)

Timothy Risbridger

Date: Oct 22, 2026

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF

PROVIDENCE CHAPEL, CHICHESTER

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Providence Chapel, Chichester ('the charity') for the year ended 31 March 2026 on pages 5 to 7 following.

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 all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 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 accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. 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.

Nicola Harrison
Nicola Harrison (Oct 23, 2026 09:06:38 GMT+1)

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Date: Oct 23, 2026

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

	Notes	2026 £	2025 £
Income receipts			
Donations		29,627	33,449
Gift aid receipts		7,826	5,371
Interest income		1,558	2,422
Total receipts		39,011	41,242
Payments			
Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly	2	42,779	48,845
Grants paid in relation to charitable activities undertaken by others		2,875	2,750
Total payments		45,654	51,595
Net of receipts / (payments) before transfers		(6,644)	(10,353)
Transfers between funds		-	-
Net movement in funds		(6,644)	(10,353)
Cash funds as at last year end		111,606	121,959
Cash funds at this year end	A	104,962	111,606

All receipts and payments are unrestricted

The notes on pages 7 form part of these accounts.

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

		2026	2025
		£	£
A	**Cash funds**		
	Cash at bank with immediate access	104,962	111,606
		104,962	111,606
B	**Other monetary assets**		
	Gift aid due to charity	6,222	7,826
		6,222	7,826
C	**Liabilities**		
	Falling due within one year		
	Fee for Independent Examination	1,020	990
	Trade creditors	263	-
		1,283	990

		Insured value
		£
D	**Assets retained for charity's own use**	
	Freehold Property:	
	Manse	300,186
	Chapel	1,081,596
	Fixtures & fittings	36,099
		1,417,881

E Guarantees and secured debts

The charity has not given any guarantees and has not provided its assets as security for any liabilities.

The accounts were approved by the trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Tim Risbridger

Tim Risbridger (Oct 22, 2026 20:18:18 GMT+1)

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Date: Oct 22, 2026

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026

1 Accounting policies

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis and comprise a statement that shows the charity's receipts and payments, a statement that summarises the charity's assets and liabilities and related notes. The accountancy profession have determined that only accounts prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards present a 'true and fair' view and, as these receipts and payments accounts have not (and cannot) be prepared in accordance with accounting standards, these accounts do not present (and are not intended to present) a 'true and fair' view of the charity's financial activities and state of affairs.

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.

2 Payments in relation to charitable activities undertaken directly

	2026 £	2025 £
Employment costs (see note 4)	22,473	22,473
Ministry & outreach expenses	3,166	3,302
Rent	500	500
Maintenance of buildings & equipment	6,195	12,440
Utilities	4,945	5,100
Insurance	1,761	1,787
Office costs	1,862	1,265
Legal & Professional fees	588	869
Independent examination	1,290	1,110
	42,779	48,845

3 Grants paid in relation to charitable activities undertaken by others

Grants for:		
Mission	2,875	2,750
	2,875	2,750

4 Transactions with related parties

Jason Pallister served as church leader and was paid £22,473 (2025: £22,473) for serving in that capacity, not for serving as trustee; these payments are permitted by the charity's governing document.

In addition the charity incurred expenditure totalling £5,481 in respect of the provision of accommodation (which is customary for ministers) to Jason Pallister, who is a trustee so that they could better perform their duties.