Oldfield Park Baptist Church 1202687

Annual Report and Accounts 2025



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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS

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Charity

Oldfield Park Baptist Church (OPBC)
Charity number 1202687

Contact

The Triangle, Oldfield Park, BA2 3JD, Bath
http://www.oldfieldparkbaptist.org.uk/

Trustees

Rev Mark Cooke	Minister
Geoff Castle	Treasurer
Pam Bourton	
Sam Cooke	
Paul Fitzgerald	
David Gill	
Bev Probert	
Dot Scourfield	

Custodian Trustee

West of England Baptist Trust Company (West) Ltd. holds the deeds of the following properties:
Oldfield Park Baptist Church, The Triangle, Bath, BA2 3JD;
Church Manse, 3, Leighton Road, Bath, BA14NF;
Apartment 59 Highgate, Longmead Terrace, Bath, BA2 3WL.

Advisors

Santander, 44 Stall St, Bath BA1 1QH	Bankers
Anthony Collins Solicitors, 134 Edmund Street, B3 2ES	Advisors CIO

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Documents

It is governed by a Foundation Trust Deed dated 29th April 1903, by the Church Constitution and Constitution Supplement and Basis of Faith approved by the trustees and members on Sunday 15th May 2022

Appointment of Trustees

The Church Members' Meeting shall appoint trustees to be responsible for the governance of the Church and where there is a Minister that person is a trustee because of their role and responsibilities. The appointment of trustees requires the support of at least 51% of those members voting. Trustees are appointed for a period of three years and may seek reappointment at the end of each term. A Church Secretary and a Church Treasurer (or equivalents) are elected annually and will be ex officio trustees.

Decision Making Process

The trustees meet at least every two months and are responsible for the day to day running of the Church's work and its secular affairs. They have responsibility for property maintenance and the financial and legal aspects of the charity. Relevant matters are submitted to the Church Members' Meeting for guidance and approval. Ordinary Church Members' Meetings are usually held a week or two after a trustee meeting and Special Church Members' Meetings are convened when necessary. The Church Members' Meetings have responsibility for the overall policy of the Church. All members are encouraged to take an appropriate part in the spiritual and secular aspects involved in the furtherance of our objectives.

Operational teams

The CIO was dormant during this period.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Summary

The principal purpose of the Church is the advancement of the Christian faith according to the principles of the Baptist denomination. The Church may also advance education and carry out other charitable purposes in the United Kingdom and/or other parts of the world.

In fulfilling the purpose, the Church will engage in a range of activities either on its own or with others that will vary from time to time with activities being initiated, expanded, or closed, as appropriate.

The activities may include but are not restricted to:

- regular public worship, prayer, Bible study, preaching and teaching;
- baptism, as defined in the Union's Declaration of Principle;
- the Communion of the Lord's Supper which shall normally be observed at least once a month;
- evangelism and mission, locally, regionally, nationally and internationally;
- the teaching, encouragement, welcome and inclusion of young people;
- nurture and growth of Christian disciples;

- education and training for Christian and community service;
- giving and encouraging pastoral care;
- supporting and encouraging charitable social action in the UK and abroad;
- encouraging relationships with and supporting Baptists and other Christians.

Notwithstanding the appointment of persons to accept responsibility for any of the activities all individuals, organisations, groups, and committees operating within the life of the Church, and their leaders, shall be accountable to the Charity Trustees and also through any specific direction of the Church Members' Meeting.

Activities

The CIO was dormant during this period.

Public Benefit

The Charity Trustees are aware of the guidance on public benefit requirement published by the Charity Commission and we believe that the objectives and activities of the Church described above provide significant public benefit in line with that guidance.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The CIO was dormant during this period.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

The CIO was dormant during this period and no transactions took place.

TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT

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).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period, In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the 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 charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities

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



G.H. Castle

Treasurer

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ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR TO 31 DECEMBER 2025

The accounts and statement of assets and liabilities relating to the year ending 31 December 2025 are as approved by the deacons.

	2025 £
Fixed assets	
Tangible assets	0
	0
Current assets	
Stocks	0
Debtors	0
Cash at bank and in hand	0
	0
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	0
Net current assets	0
Total assets less current liabilities	0
Creditors: amounts falling due in more than one year	0
Net assets	0
Unrestricted Funds	
General Funds	0
Designated Funds	0
	0
Restricted Funds	0
Total Funds	0

G.H. Castle

Date: 27/10/2026



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NOTES FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Accounting policies

(a) Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the receipts and payments basis in accordance with the Charity Commission guidance.

(b) Charity status

The Charity is constituted as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) Foundation, as a body corporate under Part 11 of the Charities Act 2011 on the 28 Jul 2017. The CIO registered with the Charity Commission 12th April 2023.

(c) Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are general funds that are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds set aside at the discretion of the trustees for specific purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes.

(d) Receipts

All incoming resources are included in the Receipt & payment Accounts when the charity actually obtains legally entitled income.

(e) Payments

All expenditure is accounted for on payments basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources.

2. Member liabilities

The members of the CIO have no liability to contribute to its assets and no personal responsibility for settling its debts and liabilities.

3. Debt outstanding

There is no particulars of any debt outstanding at the date the statement of assets and liabilities which is owed by Oldfield Baptist.