TRUSTEE'S ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st December 2025

GATEWAY SALVATION CHURCH

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Corporate Information

Registered Charity Number:	1203676
Principal Office:	1A Milton Road Swanscombe DA10 0LS
Parish Pastor:	
Board of Trustees:	Centina Frances Sylvester Grace Yolande Sinou Chemu Lionel Ighodaro
Bankers:	Lloyds Bank Plc

Board of Trustee's Report

1.0 Introduction

The Board of Trustees present their report and accounts for the year ended 31st December 2025. The Trustees confirm that the annual report and financial statements of the charity comply with the current statutory requirements of the charity's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued in March 2005.

1.1 Public Benefit Statement

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 4 of the Charites Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit "Charites and Public Benefit".

1.2 Structure, Governance and Management

1.2.1 Governing Document

The charity is a charity incorporation organisation (CIO) and governed by its constitution dated 21 June 2023.

1.2.2 Trustee Appointments

Trustees are appointed under the terms of the deed.

1.2.3 Induction and Training Policies

The induction process for a newly appointed trustee comprises an initial meeting with the Chair and other Trustees, followed by short meetings with the Parish pastor on the powers and responsibilities of the Trustees.

1.2.4 Organisational Structure and Decision Making

The charity is organised so that the Trustees meet regularly to manage its affairs. The Parish pastor manages the day to day administration of the church.

1.2.5 Related Party Relationships

Gateway Salvation Church partners which other charities to deliver its objectives.

1.2.6 Risk Management

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, in particular those related to operations and finances of the charity and are satisfied the systems are in place to mitigate our exposures to the major risks.

2.0 Objectives and Global Outreach

2.1 Objectives and Activities

The principal object is the advancement of Christian faith and promoting any charitable activity for the benefit of the local people. To achieve its objectives, the church adopts the following strategies:

- Running seminars in the church with proven ministers of the faith to guide members in the various aspect of Christian faith,
- Support for other charities and Christian events,
- Participating in economic and community development

The activities for achieving its objectives include:

- Community outreach events
- Conferences and events
- Welfare support to members and general public, and
- Various missionary activities
- Food Bank Outreach

2.2 Public Benefits

Apart from its Church activities, the charity was involved in the following public benefit efforts:

- The Charity's welfare group visits the homeless and basic needs are supplied to them.
- The Charity runs regular visits to Support Centres to provide financial support to help the groups achieve its charitable objectives.
- The Charity also contributes regularly to charities working to develop young people in our community.

Our efforts are geared towards supporting the programmes of our local council, promoting cohesion in our community, and positively impacting the lives of the young people and the elderly.

2.3 Grant Making Policies

The church supports visiting ministers of the gospel both within and outside the United Kingdom. The church supports other charities and missionary that shares its objects in advancement of Christian faith and relief of poverty. The church gives occasional grants to congregational members who are in need.

2.4 Contributions Made by Volunteers

The church is grateful for the unstinting efforts of its volunteers who are involved in providing services for the charity. It is estimated that over 3000 hours are provided by volunteers during the year. If this is conservatively valued at £12.21 per hour, the volunteer's effort will amount to over £36,630.

Board of Trustee's Report

2.5 Achievement and Performance

The church continues to enjoy tremendous growth in its physical and spiritual life during the year, and in the advancement of Christian faith in accordance with the doctrines set out in the Statement of Faith as contained in our Trust deed.

3.0 Financial Reviews

During the period, the charity received £103,936 in total income. Total resources expended was £94,619 thus resulting in a surplus of £9,316. Cash at the end of the period was £11,590.

3.1 Principal Funding Sources

Funding has been provided mainly through tithes and offerings by church members. Pledges are also taken for specific projects.

3.2 Reserves Policy

The Trustees' policy is to have unrestricted and uncommitted funds (free reserves) to cover 3 to 6 months of resources expended. They feel that this would enable the current activities to continue if there is a significant drop in funding. It would obviously be necessary to then consider how the funding would be replaced or activities changed. The present free reserve is below the policy range, but the Trustees are continuing to seek additional unrestricted funds.

3.3 Investment Policy

The Trustees have decided that at present, funds should be retained in Banks and Building Societies, and as far as possible in interest bearing accounts.

4.0 Future Development

Our charity continues to explore various ways of spreading the gospel of Christ in an effective manner. The charity is always seeking to grow in membership and continue to develop its members to make life-changing impact in society.

Board of Trustee's Report

Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

Company law 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 net income or expenditure of the charity for the year. In preparing these financial statements the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Make judgments 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; and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going-concern basis unless it is inappropriate to
- presume that the charity will continue in business.

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. 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.

The appended financial statements have been prepared on the accruals basis and have been examined by an independent examiner, whose report is also appended.

This report was approved by the Board of Trustees on 22 September 2026 and signed on their behalf by:

Full Name: Centina Frances Sylvester

Signature:

Position: Chairman

Date: 22 September 2026

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/members of: Gateway Salvation Church
On accounts for the year ended: 31st December 2025
Charity No: 1203676

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which give me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act;
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:  **Date:** 22 September 2026

Name: Tobi Labeodan, for and on behalf of The Accounting Club Ltd
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any): ACCA
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Statement of Financial Activities: Year Ended 31st December 2025

	Notes	2025 Unrestricted Funds	2025 Restricted Funds	2025 Total Funds	2024 Unrestricted Funds	2024 Restricted Funds	2024 Total Funds
Income:		£	£	£	£	£	£
Donations and legacies	**1**	83,600		83,600	43,169	-	43,169
Other income (Grants)	**1**	20,335	-	20,335	20,383	-	20,383
Total Income		**103,936**	**-**	**103,936**	**63,552**	**-**	**63,552**
Total Income		**103,936**	**-**	**103,936**	**63,552**	**-**	**63,552**
Expenditures on:							
Charitable Activities	**2**	74,636	-	74,636	30,074	-	30,074
Other Charitable Activities	**2**	17,641	-	17,641	26,723	-	26,723
Other Costs	**2**	2,343	-	2,343	1,550	-	1,550
Total Expenditures		**94,619**	**-**	**94,619**	**58,347**	**-**	**58,347**
Net income/(expenditure)		**9,316**	**-**	**9,316**	**5,205**	**-**	**5,205**
Transfers between funds							
Other recognised gains/(losses):							
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of fixed assets				-			-
Gains/(losses) on investment assets				-			-
Net movement in funds		**9,316**	**-**	**9,316**	**5,205**	**-**	**5,205**
Reconciliation of funds:							
Total funds brought forward at 1 January 2025		11,564	-	11,564	6,359	-	6,359
Total funds carried forward at 31 December 2025		**20,880**	**-**	**20,880**	**11,564**	**-**	**11,564**

Statement of Financial Position: Year Ended 31st December 2025

	Notes	2025	2024
		£	£
Fixed Asset			
Tangible assets	**3**	7,198	9,397
Total Fixed Asset		**7,198**	**9,397**
Current Assets			
Loans & Advances		3,000	
Accrued Income			
Cash at bank and in hand		11,590	3,016
Other Debtors		-	-
Total Current Assets		**14,590**	**3,016**
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year			
Other Creditors		850	850
Other Current Liabilities		-	
Total Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		**850**	**850**
Net current assets (liabilities)		**13,740**	**2,166**
Total assets less current liabilities		**20,880**	**11,564**
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year			
Bank loans and other finance (long term)			
Other Non-Current Liabilities - Vehicle finance			
Total Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year		**-**	**-**
Total net assets (liabilities)		**20,880**	**11,564**
The funds of the charity:			
Restricted Reserve			
General reserves		11,564	6,359
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year		9,316	5,205
Total charity funds		**20,880**	**11,564**

Accounting Policies

Scope and Basis of the Financial Statements

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice Accounting and Reporting by Charities published in March 2005.

Income

Revenue is recognised in the period in which the charity is entitled to receipt once the amount can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Expenses

Expenditure is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) on an accruals basis and is recognised at the point when a legal or constructive obligation arises. The majority of costs are directly attributable to specific activities. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Fixed assets

Fixed assets with an individual purchase of £500 or more are capitalised and stated at cost less depreciation which is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of each asset over its expected useful life as follows:

Property	2%
Vehicles	25%
Equipment	20%

Notes to the Financial Statements: Year Ended 31st December 2025

1. Income

	2025	2024
Income	**£**	**£**
Donations and legacies	83,600	43,169
Restricted Income	-	-
Total donations & legacies	**83,600**	**43,169**
Other income		
Gift Aid Receipts	19,828	20,383
Other income	507	-
Total other income	20,335	20,383
Total Income	**103,936**	**63,552**

2. Expenditures

	2025	2024
Charitable Activities	**£**	**£**
Premises	9,972	7,088
Utilities	-	-
Travel	2,688	2,015
Motoring & Transportation	2,272	3,973
Insurance	-	-
Administration	1,551	569
Advertising	908	1,540
Operations	54,091	11,480
Finance Charges	17	22
Depreciation	2,836	2,488
Honorarium	300	900
Total Charitable Activities	**74,636**	**30,074**
Other Charitable Activities		
Outreach	3,810	3,188
Central Office	-	-
Welfare & Benevolence	3,581	6,490
Charitable Donations	10,249	17,045
Total Other Charitable Activities	**17,641**	**26,723**
Other Costs		
Professional fees and services	2,343	1,550
Accountancy fees	-	-
Legal fees	-	-
		-
Total Other Costs	**2,343**	**1,550**

3. Tangible assets

	Motor Vehicle	Sound & Musical Equipment	Computer & IT Equipment	Fixtures, Furniture & Fittings	Total
Cost	**£**	**£**	**£**		**£**
At 1 January 2025	7,550	565	3,889	-	**12,004**
Additions	-	-	-	579	**579**
Disposals		-			**-**
Revaluations		-			**-**
At 31 December 2025	**7,550**	**565**	**3,889**	**579**	**12,583**
Depreciation					
At 1 January 2025	1,573	300	733	-	**2,607**
Charge for the year	1,888	257	633	58	**2,836**
Adjustments	-	-	-	-	**-**
At 31 December 2025	**3,460**	**558**	**1,367**	**58**	**5,443**
Net Book Value					
At 1 January 2025	**5,977**	**265**	**3,156**	**-**	**9,397**
At 31 December 2025	**4,090**	**7**	**2,522**	**521**	**7,140**

4. Related Party Transactions

During the year, the church made donations and contributions to other charitable organisations as shown in note 3 under Charitable Giving.

5. Trustee Remuneration & Expenses

During the year, there were no payments or reimbursement of expenses to trustee members.