CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period January - December 2025

From 01/01/2025 **Period start date** **To** **31/12/2025**
Period end date

Charity name: Little Kingshill Baptist Church

Charity registration number: 1206516

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The principal purposes of the Church are: 3.1.1 The advancement of the Christian Faith according to the principles of the Baptist Denomination. 3.1.2 The Church may also advance education and other charitable purposes in the United Kingdom and /or other parts of the world.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	We operate a Baptist Church with religious services held in the Church building. We raise funds for charitable purposes and donate these to projects identified by our Mission Group. We operate a community hub for the use of the wider community and host relevant activities.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees can confirm that they have regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit, and in particular, we seek to enable the. General public to live their lives in faith as part of our Church community.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	We operate a Mission Group who seek to identify worthy projects for us to support in the UK and across the world.
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	All Church and community activities that we undertake are run by volunteers. We have one full time employee – Martin Hatfield – Minister, who left the Church in

		August 2025. We are currently seeking a new Minister
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	**Worship and Prayer:** We offer weekly Sunday services and monthly special worship throughout the year. Youth Church runs in parallel to the Sunday service. Membership and attendances have remained stable during this period. During this year we have operated a coffee shop in conjunction with a local business to provide a community hub for the village. This facility is widely used by the community. We also hire the Church hall to host a wide variety of community activities (Yoga, Fitness Classes, Ante-natal sessions, Craft Workshops and Warm Space Lunches). The hall is booked at least 75% of the available time.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	We have maintained our Church Membership throughout the year. We have broadened our contacts with our local community and this will aid our outreach activities. We have donated over £10,000 to agreed external worthy causes.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	The Charity has raised £61,230 this year to fund our operating expenses, together with £8,238 for our building fund and £9,389 in fundraising for external giving.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	The Charity received £1,929 in interest payments from our investments.
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	**For the Financial Period to 31 December 2025:** Total receipts of unrestricted funds was £61,230. Restricted Funds of £8,238 were raised for the Building Fund £5,392 was given to selected charitable projects together with over £4,000 from fundraising sent directly to the charities. There was an overall surplus of £8,897, due to the fact that we had no Minister after August 1st 2025, resulting in saving on salaries. Church cash general reserves were £83,035.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The Trustees seek to hold at least one year of reserve funds and this was achieved this year.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	**£83,035**
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	None

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	General unrestricted funds are raised by members regular donations and income received from hiring out the Church and Church Hall. This year Restricted Funds for the building project have been raised by member donations
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	Church Funds are held in the Baptist Union Investment Fund.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	As with most Churches the largest risk to the charity is falling member hip. At present our membership is stable. However, we hope that our greater involvement with the local community as a result of the opening of the new hall, will attract new members. The hiring income form the hall will also support Church funds in the immediate and long term future.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	The Governing Document is based on the published Baptist Union guidance.
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustees are elected by the Church Membership in accordance with the procedures outlined the in the Governing Document.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	New Trustees are offered training courses operated by the Baptist Union. All trustees must additionally undertake regular Safeguarding Training and have a current DBS certificate.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Little Kinghill Baptist Church
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1206516
Charity's principal address	Windsor Lane Little Kingshill HP16 0DZ

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	Mr Leslie Giles	Church Elder		
2	Mrs Susan Barnard	Secretary		
3	Mr Edward House	Treasurer		
4	Mrs Wendy James	Deacon	Jan 1st to July 31st 2025	
5	Mrs Frances Madslien	Deacon		
6	Rev Martin Hatfield	Minister	Jan 1st to July 31st 2025	
7	Mrs Fiona Klima	Deacon	From 22/01/2025	
8	Mrs Helen Dunsmore	Deacon	From 22/01/2025	
9	Mr Ajit Kadirgamar	Deacon	From 22/01/2025	
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	NONE
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	NONE
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	NONE

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

Other optional information

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	EDWARD MAYNARD HOUSE	SUSAN BARNARD
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	TREASURER	SECRETARY

Date	25-9-26

27-Feb-26

LITTLE KINGSHILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Receipts and payments accounts - year ended 31 December 2025

	Dec 2025 Unrestricted	Dec 2025 Restricted	Dec 2025 Fundraising	Dec 2025 Total	Dec 2024 Total
INCOME	£	£		£	£
Giving - standing orders	27,884			27,884	28,344
Giving - cash	1,341			1,341	1,062
One off donations	160			160	1,741
Tax Rebates	7,272			7,272	7,140
Hire of hall	7,145			7,145	3,727
Kingshill Kitchen Rent	14,000			14,000	13,701
Building Fund		8,238		8,238	144,473
Interest	1,929			1,929	3,325
Fundraising Income			9,389	9,389	631
Miscellaneous	1,499			1,499	1,523
	61,230	**8,238**	**9,389**	**78,857**	**205,667**
EXPENDITURE	£	£		£	£
Ministers' Salary (Inc. NI and Pension)	20,381			20,381	33,215
Ministers' Expenses	370			370	1,740
Baptist Union Deficiency Contribution re Pension	0			0	11
Manse Utilities	3,657			3,657	3,247
Manse Maintenance	9,259			9,259	
Maintenance & small capital expenditure	1,274			1,274	496
Church Utilities	6,409			6,409	8,231
Insurance (Church and Manse)	2,689			2,689	1,860
Church Cleaning	432			432	445
Mission giving	1,671			1,671	3,385
Other giving			3,721	3,721	106
K Kitchen Expenses			2,242	2,242	1,120
Ministry - Worship/H.Grp/Children/Yth/Ext Preach	2,732			2,732	1,367
Building Fund Exp		7,656		7,656	310,100
Solicitors Expenses KK	1,026			1,026	1,580
Fundraising Expenses			1,342	1,342	0
CIO Expenses	522			522	
Miscellaneous	1,921			1,921	1,021
Youth Fund		228			
	52,343	**7,884**	**7,305**	**67,532**	**370,731**
Surplus/Deficit	**8,887**	**354**	**2,084**	**11,325**	**(165,064)**

Fund position	Dec 2025 Unrestricted	Dec 2025 Restricted		Dec 2025 Total	Dec 2024 Total
	£	£		£	£
Brought forward 1 January 2025	72,064	32,804		104,868	269,932
(Deficit)/Surplus	10,971	354		11,325	(165,064)
Carried forward 31 December 2024	**83,035**	**33,158**		**116,193**	**104,868**

Current cash position				
Current account			50,505	
Deposit accounts			64,980	
Cash in hand			1,408	
Deposits held			(700)	
			116,193	

Restricted funds	Opening fund	Income		Expenses	Closing fund
	£	£		£	£
Building Fund	26,377	8,238		7,656	26,959
Manse Fund	2,947				2,947
Care Fund	3,048				3,048
Youth Fund	282	0		228	54
Other eg Grants/Fundraising Income/Expenditure	150				150
	32,804	**8,238**		**7,884**	**33,158**

The accounts set out above relating to the year ending 31 December 2025 are as approved by the Deacons.

Signed: (Treasurer or other Deacon authorised to sign on behalf of all the Deacons)

Date:

16.3.2026

Audit of Little Kingshill Baptist Church Accounts (24/25)

Date of audit: - 19th July 2026

Review of accounts from 01/01/2024 to 31/12/2025

Finance report: Clearly outlined financial activity for the year.

Bank Accounts – dual signatories on all accounts.

Barclays – 70591955 (Current active account)

Santander – 03159132 (Holding Account) Account closed Feb 25

Barclays Premium – 60592005 (Savings Account)

Baptist Union – NL013

Santander account closed; balance £665. 57 transferred to Barclays on 7th Feb 2025

All other accounts OK and operational.

Barclays – as normal procedure Checked 6 random debits and 3 Credits.

1. 18th Feb – payment – P A Hester £53.36 Could not locate paperwork - XXX
2. 26th March – payment – Chubb £26.51 - OK
3. 16th April – payment – Martin Hatfield £1,906.43 – viewed pay roll OK.
4. 8th August – Payment – Mrs W James £15.00 OK
5. 17th October – Payment – P A Hester £40.39 OK
6. 14th November – Payment – GIL-LEC Ltd £3,335.28 OK
7. Deposit – Invoice use of premises 4th Feb £125.00 OK
8. Deposit – Invoice use of premises 4th May £110.00 OK
9. Deposit – Invoice use of premises 10th August £150.00 OK

Donations and approval for payments clear, expense sheets OK

The transactions continue to be in good order and the system of accountability appear to be sound and in place.

Question from last year, how can the second signatory see the invoice in question prior to clearing payment?

Currently they cannot see the invoice – e mail sent with payee details and value. The second signatory is not only for security but enables second review of whether the invoice is valid or not. Ideally the second signatory should be able to see the invoice and its details.

As per last year, still think it would be beneficial to number invoice payments and invoices issued. Spoke with Edward.

Tax reclaim document reviewed.

Barry Richardson

Treasurer – Seer Green Baptist Church