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Trustees' Annual Report

The trustees present their report for the year ended **31st December 2025.** The Financial Statements for the same period are appended. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting for Charities" Issued in March 2005.

Reference Details

Name:	Mercy Cardiff
Registered Number:	1207511
Address:	33, Ty Draw Road, Cardiff, CF23 5HB
Trustees:	Dai Hankey (Chair)
	Sophie Rees
	Nick Davis (Secretary & Treasurer)
Bank:	Nat West, 96 Queen St, Cardiff.
Independent Examiner:	Paul Burnell, C Management Services, 69 Velindre Road, Cardiff

Structure, Governance and Management

Mercy Cardiff was established as a foundation Charitable Incorporated Organisation, registered on 19th March 2024 with a constitution as the governing document.

Should the need arise, new trustees will be appointed for a term of two years by the existing trustees taking full account of the individual's relevant skills, knowledge and experience. Any new trustees will be appropriately trained in respect of their responsibilities and the procedures of the charity.

The charity is administered by the trustees and did not employ any staff during 2024.

It is not considered that the charity is exposed to major risks, but this is continually reviewed and should any such be identified, mitigating procedures will be devised and implemented.

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Objectives and Activities

The objects of the charity as set out in the constitution are:

Advancing the Christian faith for the benefit of the public in inner-city Cardiff, particularly the community of Adamsdown in accordance with the Statement of Faith by providing facilities to care for the poor, support vulnerable adults and young people, provide vocational training opportunities, promote community cohesion, all within the Christian ethos.

Achievements and Performance

Further development of premises in Clifton Street

During the year, the building at 28/29 Clifton Street was enhanced to make it more usable for church and outreach activities. Downstairs, audio-visual cabling was installed and a room moved to create more space, plus develop a secure space to be used as a creche facility. Upstairs, an office has been set up for the Pastor which also doubles as a prayer room.

Leasing of adjacent premises at Number 28

At the start of the year, the card shop adjacent to the Mercy premises was vacant and the trustees were approached by the landlord, Cardiff Community Housing Association to see if Mercy Cardiff would wish to take on this shop as well. CCHA kindly offered very preferential rental terms as they wished to see the premises used for the benefit of the community, so Mercy Cardiff took on Number 28 in addition to the main building next door. Due to lack of bandwidth amongst the volunteers, little was done with the building during the year other than plan future developments.

Church flourishing

During 2025 Mercy Church developed and flourished from a small house-church to a vibrant community church with a regular attendance of 50 to 60 people. The good news of the Christian gospel is preached each Sunday morning – usually by Pastor Dai Hankey to a multi-ethnic and diverse local congregation.

Midweek meetings are also regularly held on Tuesday evenings (for prayer and bible study) and Encounters on Thursday lunchtimes (exploring bible stories for new believers or those seeking to find faith in Jesus).

A Mercy Ministry School was held on Friday mornings where external speakers were invited to share their experience of many aspects of evangelical urban ministry. There were participants from many churches in Cardiff as well as from Mercy.

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Soup Sundays (open-door meeting on Sunday Evening) were also held during the winter months to provide warmth, a meal and companionship to those in need on Clifton Street.

A well-attended community Carol Service was held in the courtyard prior to Christmas as well as an open day with donkeys contributing to the nativity presentation.

Community Meetings

Each Tuesday lunchtime, Mercy Cardiff opens the doors and puts on the kettle and lays tables for Community Cuppa inviting all in for refreshments and companionship. This has been attended by local elderly local people looking for company as well as by many of those around Clifton Street who are sleeping rough or in hostels.

The building has been used on several occasions for meetings hosted by Cardiff Council where local people are invited to express their views about services and proposed future developments to Councillors, local police officers and council officers.

Financial Review

Mercy Cardiff gratefully acknowledges very generous donations from several churches, organisations and individuals. The trustees have agreed to keep the funds of Mercy Church separate from the wider charity, so the SOFA below separates income and expenditure with separate funds in the balance sheet.

Income this year was substantially lower than in 2024 which is to be expected as large donations were received last year for the setting up of the charity and the development of the building. Funds carried over from last year have been utilised in 2025 with a further £18,000 being spent on the development of the building as well as buying equipment for church activities. Hence, there was a deficit in 2025 of £13,000 overall, but this was wholly due to non-recurring development costs.

The church is well funded by contributions from the church family fully covering direct costs and the recharged share of building costs and overheads with an in-year surplus of nearly £12,000. The general charity fund had a deficit of nearly £25,000 reflecting lower donations and the burden of the building costs.

The overall finances of Mercy Cardiff remain healthy with carried forward funds of over £50,000.

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Plans for Future Periods

Church

Mercy Church will continue to preach the gospel and plans to expand its scope such as with Sunday School and youth activities. We hope and pray that the church will continue to grow and provide loving support both for those already in the church family and all who come into contact with the church.

Charitable activities

The intention is to use Number 28 for community sharing and learning activities with the first exercise being to hold an open day, inviting in the community to tell us what sort of activities would best serve them. It is intended to collaborate with other local charities to allow them to use the space for their community activities such as DJ-ing and street art workshops. Other anticipated uses of the space are sewing classes, men's communal activities, potentially language classes and personal financial training and advice.

Development of Courtyard

Very unusually for Clifton Street, the Mercy Cardiff buildings share a courtyard at the rear of the premises. This yard has been cleared, and it is intended to develop this space with planters, furniture and potentially a mural on an adjoining wall. This space will them be available for use for activities such as barbeques and music events to which the local community will of course be invited.

Music Studio for local youth

A bequest was received to be used for local youth work so one of the upstairs rooms in 29/30 Clifton Street is to be developed into a music studio which can be used to engage with local young people, developing their musical production and DJ-ing skills.

Reserves Policy

The trustees would consider it prudent to retain three month's operating costs as a reserve which would equate to approximately £7,500.

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Declaration

Statement of the Trustee's Responsibilities

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

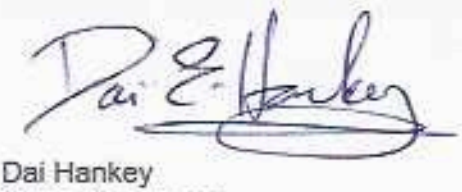
The law applicable to charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the constitution requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles of the Charity SORP;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- 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 which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to 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 constitution. 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 trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above in a meeting on 24th August 2025.

Signed on behalf of the trustees:



Dai Hankey
Chair of Trustees

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Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/members of **Mercy Cardiff** Charity no **1207511**

On accounts for the year ended **31st December 2025,** set out on pages 7 to 9.

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2025.

As the charity trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with 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 which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

Paul Burnell

Date 28th August 2026

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Financial Statements

Statement of Financial Activities
for the year to 31st December 2025

		Church Fund £	General Fund £	Total Funds £	Prior Year Total Funds £
Incoming Resources					
Incoming resources from					
Donations	Individuals	33,140	1,119	34,260	49,919
	Churches	2,500	7,300	9,800	12,000
	Organisations	29	2,200	2,229	17,539
	Legacy		0	0	20,000
Other Income			1,750	1,750	250
Total Incoming Resources		35,669	12,369	48,039	99,709
Resources Expended					
Charitable Activities					
Expenses	General	8,510	1,690	10,200	916
	Salaries	1,008	1,008	2,016	
	Building		18,413	18,413	26,266
	Rent & Rates	11,533	11,532	23,065	4,594
	Utilities	2,249	2,249	4,498	1,698
	Depreciation		1,189	1,189	
Mission Support		1,200		1,200	
Mercy Ministry School		474		474	
Governance Costs			1,042	1,042	925
Total Resources Expended		24,026	37,122	61,149	36,400
Net movements in funds		11,643	24,753	13,110	63,309
Reconciliation of Funds					
Total funds brought forward		26,100	37,209	63,309	0
Total Funds Carried Forward		37,743	12,456	50,199	63,309

Balance Sheet
as at 31st December 2025

	£	Prior Year £
Fixed Assets	3,566	4,755
Current Assets		
Sundry Debtors	16,677	10,206
Cash in Bank	35,356	53,778
	52,033	63,984
Creditors		
Amounts falling due within 1 year	5,400	5,430
Net Current Assets	46,633	58,554
Net Assets	50,199	63,309
Funds		
Church Fund	37,743	26,100
General Fund	12,456	37,209
Total Funds	50,199	63,309

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2024

1. Accounting Policies

a. Basis of preparing the financial statements

The trustees have identified no material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the ability of the charity to continue as a going concern.

Therefore, the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

b. Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at market value, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008), the Charities Act 2011 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice (2005), Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

c. Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the resources and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

d. Resources expended

Expenditure is accruals basis and has been accounted for under headings that aggregate all cost relating to the category.

e. Cost of generating funds

Costs of generating funds comprise those costs directly attributable to raising funds through activities.

f. Governance costs

Governance costs include direct and related support costs relating to the governance infrastructure allowing the charity to generate information required for public accountability.

g. Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

h. Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

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2. **Charitable Activities**
Relate to costs associated with awareness raising events and grants awarded through the Embrace project.

3. **Governance Costs**
Relate to safeguarding and insurance costs.

4. **Trustees Remuneration and Expenses**
No amounts were paid to trustees for remuneration or reimbursement of expenses.

5. **Staff costs**
One part-time member of staff is employed to coordinate the *Embrace* project.

6. **Transactions with related parties**
There were no transactions with related parties.

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees in August 2025 and were signed on its behalf by



Nick Davis,
Trustee