Cwmavon Evangelical Church

Annual Report of the Trustees for the Year Ended 31 December 2025.

Trustees present their annual report and independently examined financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2025. The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP).

1. Reference and Administrative Details

- **Charity Name:** Cwmavon Evangelical Church.
- **Registered Charity Number:** 1210065
- **Principal Address: Depot Road, Cwmavon, Port Talbot SA12 9DF.**
- **Independent Examiner:** Sarah Bunce, 1 Dynevor Place, Skewen, SA10 6RG.
- **Bank: Lloyds** 115 Station Rd, Neath, Port Talbot SA13 1NR.
- (Leaders / Elders / Directors)

The trustees who served during the year and up to the date this report was signed are:

- Pastor Peter Elward (Trustee Chair & Minister/Pastor)
- Angharad Parsons (Treasurer)
- Mr Ken Nicholas (Trustee)

2. Structure, Governance, and Management

Governing Document

The church is an unincorporated association governed by a Trust Deed dated *March 20th 2013.*

Recruitment and Appointment

Trustees are appointed by the existing Board of Trustees based on spiritual maturity, commitment to the church's statement of faith, and professional skillset. New trustees undergo an induction process covering legal obligations under charity law, safeguarding policies, and conflict of interest guidelines.

Risk Management

The trustees actively review the major risks the charity faces. The primary risks identified are safeguarding, data protection (GDPR), and financial sustainability. Systems and internal controls, including dual-signatory bank requirements and mandatory DBS checks for all volunteer workers when needed are in place to mitigate these risks.The church is a member of the Thirtyone:eight Safeguarding Organisation.

3. Objectives and Activities

Charitable Purposes

The advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with the Church's Statement of Beliefs, primarily but not exclusively within the local village and surrounding areas.

Main Activities and Public Benefit:

To achieve these objects, the church provides:

- Regular public acts of worship at two sites -Cwmavon and the nearby village of Pontrhydyfen.
- Pastoral care.
- A weekly Ladies Bible Study on Monday morning (term times.)
- Weekly Thursday coffee morning.

- Children's outreach four times a year
- Easter and Christmas events and services.
- Christmas Day Service.
- The Trustees confirm they have referred to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when planning and reviewing the church's activities for the year.

4. Achievements and Performance

Worship and Spiritual Growth

Regular Sunday morning attendance averaged 20-25 adults and 4 children. Sunday evening attendance 15-20 adults.

Community Outreach & Public Benefit

The church has taken the Commission's public benefit guidance into account.

- Church Coffee morning: every Thursday morning during school term time serving free drinks and snacks.Open to all as an opportunity to meet local people.
- A Children's Fun Morning held 4 times a year with parents accompanying their children. Average numbers 30-35.
- International Mission: The church supports a number of Christian mission agencies(Asialink/ Beauty for Ashes) The church also has visits from representatives of different Mission agencies during the year.

Volunteer Contribution

The church relies heavily on volunteers. For example the opening and closing of the church premises, cleaning, provision of refreshments and general maintenance of the building. The trustees express their deep gratitude for this vital contribution.

5. Financial Review

Financial Position

Total income for the year was £32,344.00
Total expenditure was £30,076.00
leaving a net surplus of £2268.00
The primary source of income remains the voluntary tithes and offerings of the congregation which the church believes is a biblical principle of Christian giving. The church therefore does not engage in fundraising and is not registered with the fundraising regulator.
Gift Aid recovery added an extra £3572.00 to our unrestricted funds.

Reserves Policy

The trustees maintain a reserves policy. At 31 December 2025, free unrestricted reserves stood at £38,201.00 which satisfies this policy. This amount of reserves is kept at the present time as a safety net due to the very small membership number and to ensure:

1. the members priority in financially supporting it's Pastor.
2. In case of unexpected drops in giving or emergency property repairs.

6. Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signature: *P.Elward.*

Name: Pastor Peter Elward
Position: Chair of Trustees
Date: 16th of September 2026.

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name	No (if any)
Cwmavon Evangelical Church	1210065

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	01/01/2025		31/12/2025

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations by Gift Aid claimants	15,490	-	-	15,490	-
Donations by non Gift Aid Claimants	13,282	-	-	13,282	-
Gift Aid refund	3,572	-	-	3,572	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
***Sub total** (Gross income for AR)*	32,344	-	-	32,344	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	32,344	-	-	32,344	-
A3 Payments					
Minister NET Salary	19,108	-	-	19,108	-
Employer PENSION contribution	1,152	-	-	1,152	-
HMRC Tax	3,541	-	-	3,541	-
Pulpit and Outreach ministries	1,327	-	-	1,327	-
Utilities and Internet	2,867	-	-	2,867	-
Insurance and ThirtyOneEight DBS	668	-	-	668	-
Piano and Copywrite	435	-	-	435	-
Magazine subscription	50			50	
Maintenance	165	-	-	165	-
Gifts	763	-	-	763	-
Sub total	30,076	-	-	30,076	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	30,076	-	-	30,076	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	2,268	-	-	2,268	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	35,933	-	-	35,933	-
Cash funds this year end	38,201	-	-	38,201	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Lloyds Businss Account	38,201	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	38,201	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets **retained for the charity's own use**	Church building		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
P. Elward	PETER ELWARD	11/9/26
		11/09/2026

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of (Charity Name): Cwmavon Evangelical Church

On accounts for the year ended: 31.12.25 | **Charity no (if any)**: 1210065

Set out on pages (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets):

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of 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 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 (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- 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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed: J Bunce **Date:** 30.7.26

Name: SARAH BUNCE

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

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