THE BRISTOL CITY MISSION SOCIETY (INCORPORATED)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 DECEMBER 2025

Company Number: 00383681

Charity Number: 252282

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFROMATION

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Charity Number	252282
Company Number	00383681
Trustees (Directors)	S Walker P Adair (Appointed 20 June 2025) L Tripp S Gee (Resigned 18 June 2025) D Thomas (Resigned 18 June 2025) P Belcher (Resigned 25 April 2025) R Bird (Resigned 21 June 2025)
Registered Office Address	Crofts End Church 1 Crofts End Road Bristol BS5 7UW
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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Status
The Bristol City Mission Society is a registered charity and a company limited by guarantee and is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 4 November 1943.

Risk Review
The Trustees have examined the possible risks which the charity faces and confirm that systems have been established to enable necessary steps are taken to manage these risks.

Changes are ongoing within the charities Trusteeship and church Leadership. We have begun talks with our Charitable Law Solicitors to renew our articles which are outdated. We continue to look for new trustees with some experience and passion for the work we are doing and developing within our community and the wider city.

Crofts End Church Leadership continues to lead the church forward alongside our new Senior Pastor who was appointed in January 2026.

Organisation
The directors of the charitable company ("charity") are its Trustees for the purpose of the charity law and throughout this report are collectively referred to as the Trustees. As set out in the Articles of Association a ballot of the other trustees nominates the chairman of the Trustees. Trustees are appointed from the membership by the executive committee and elected annually at the Ordinary General Meeting. The Trustees who served during the year and up to the date of this report are set out on page 1.

OBJECTIVES

Objects
The incorporated society was established in 1943 to take over the role of the Bristol City Mission Society. The objects of the society is:

- To communicate religious knowledge in the city and country of Bristol and district or elsewhere.

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The charity aims to communicate the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ in appropriate ways through Crofts End Church, currently supported and overseen by the Executive Committee of the Society.

Public benefit
In shaping the objectives for the year and planning activities, the trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, including the guidance 'public benefit: running a charity (PB2)'.

Activities

Our regular church services continue, including:

- Sunday mornings with a time of **praise & worship** followed by **bible teaching** from various speakers over the year.
- **Youth** - Ignite youth club has continued throughout 2025 for 11-18 year olds. Fortnightly on Fridays they meet for a fun evening that includes - life skills using Biblical principles, games, dance, song writing and much more.
- Our **Bible study** on Wednesday mornings continues to be well attended and is open to anyone from the community who is interested in learning more about the Bible.
- We began a new **Prayer meeting** on Sunday evenings. A great opportunity to support one another and to pray for people in our community. A big focus was on God's leading us to find a full time Pastor to lead the church forward into a new chapter.
- June was the 130th anniversary of the founding of Crofts End Church by George Brown. We organised our annual **'Community Fun Day'** and staged our Chapel as a mini museum, bringing out our archives that included photographs throughout the years, banners from community events dating back to the early 1900's and other memorabilia from the past 13 decades. In attendance were relatives of the founder George brown which was such a blessing for us to meet them. The event was free to all and was well attended by local resident families. With bouncy castle, face painting, crafts, soccer goal score, live music, an amazing hog roast and more, there was fun for all. The goal is always to build relationships and seek to meet any need within our community.
- **Christianity Explored** - We held Christianity Explored course in the Autumn. An opportunity for people who want to know more about the Christian faith. It was a great space that allowed open conversations and questions to be asked and answered, not just about faith but about life.

- Our **Art Group** continued on Thursday mornings until the summer when there was no one to oversee it going forward. Being a work that provided a creative outlet and a more relaxed community environment, it was attended by a variety of people from different walks of life. We hope to revive it soon.
- **Christmas** - We once again used another of The Bible Society's Pop Up Nativities- 'The Amazing Adventure'. Narrated by a member of the church who is part of a local theatre group, church members and community dressed up in Nativity costumes and participated in this wonderful interactive morning. Fun and laughter was had by all.
- Our **Carol Service** by candlelight saw in the end of 2025. Who doesn't love singing carols and reminding ourselves of The Greatest Story Ever Told in the birth of Jesus our Saviour.
- Once a month after Sunday service, we arranged a **Bring & Share lunch.** A time to get to know one another better as a church family. In the summer we changed things up for **Picnic in the park**.
- There was an **Evangelism Training day** with The Open Air Mission. They are experienced in street evangelism and shared a lot of insight and wisdom with us. A team was organised and we went to our local park to speak with the community about the love of Jesus and how he transforms lives today.

Achievements and performance

- **Crofter Coffee** - Our not-for-profit coffee shop continued to thrive throughout 2025. So much so that we spent a great deal of time talking and in prayer over the way forward. The intention was always to be a community hub that would cater for the needs of the people around us. We became so busy that we had to employ extra staff and the focus was quickly becoming more business-like. A plan was set out for the future vision of CEC Community Hub & Crofter Coffee. This would see us closing cafe on Fridays to focus that time on a warm welcoming space for those who have needs beyond food. Taking a step of faith, we are excited to see what God will do in the coming years and further beyond.
- **Renters** - Having reduced our room rentals in September 2024 to take some pressure off of our senior staff, we have been able to focus more on other areas. Amongst our remaining renters are a Sing & sign group for toddlers and an After stroke group. We are looking to re-develop this area starting later this year.

- **Charities**. Throughout the year we support various local and worldwide charities/missions. We also partner with local Bristol charities in order to highlight the need on our own doorstep.
- Our **Christmas Hampers** were such a blessing last year that we decided to make this an annual work, blessing needy families in the community. 11 hampers were gratefully received. It doesn't take much to show God's love in this way.
- **Improvement Works** - Crofts End' Chapel Fire/Security system received a much needed upgrade. An assessment of other works is being undertaken.

2025 was a year of moving forward in God's blessing. There was lots of fun and laughter throughout the seasons with a definite change following our 130 year anniversary celebration. **Isaiah 43:19 says "Behold I am doing a new thing;"** and God truly has and continues to do just that. We have seen new people frequently come to church including families with young children. What a joy to have those young lives with us.

Towards the end of the year we were reminded of **Matthew 9:37-38 " The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest therefore, to send the workers into his harvest field."** We began praying this prayer for workers in our church and God continues to be faithful in providing our every need as our congregation has doubled in the last year. There is excitement and anticipation for what is to come in 2026, especially with the appointment of our new Pastor. To God be all the Glory!

FINANCIAL REVIEW

During the year total income decreased from £352,309 in 2024 to £176,838 in 2025 which is due to the sale of Great George Street Church was completed in February 2024, with a gain on disposal of £245,000. The charity is looking to invest the money in a rental property in order to have a steady income to recoup funds for the future.

Total expenditure has increased by 16% from £228,956 in 2024 to £266,489 in 2025. This is mainly due to the increase of charitable giving from £2,675 in 2024 to £26,797 in 2025.

The net result of the year is a deficit of £89,651 (2024: surplus of £123,353) and total funds at the year-end of £1,753,020 (2024: £1,842,671).

Investment powers
Under the Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Charity has the power to make any investment which the Trustees see fit.

Reserves policy
The financial statements show the net assets attributable to the various funds by type. It is the policy of the Charity to maintain free reserves (general funds less fixed assets held for Charity's use) of the charity as a level equivalent to 3 months of unrestricted expenditure, this equates to approximately £66.6k based on current unrestricted expenditure. As at the year-end free reserves of the charity stand at £296,284 which is above the desired level.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees (who are also directors of The Bristol City Mission Society (Incorporated) for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report (incorporating the directors' report) and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102: The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom 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 charitable company and of the income and expenditure, of the charitable company 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 judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK 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 charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Signed by order of the Trustees

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Louise Tripp
Trustee

Date: Sep 28 2026

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Bristol City Mission Society ('the Company')

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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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.

Ed Marsh

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Date: Sep 28 2026

THE BRISTOL CITY MISSION SOCIETY

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (Including Income and Expenditure Account)

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

	Note	Total Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2024 £
Income from:			
Donations and offerings	2	38,360	46,069
Repaid grant	2	-	(49,318)
Charitable activities	3	136,388	114,268
Investment income		2,090	112
Other income - insurance receipts		-	12,286
Other income - sale of property (gain on disposal)	14	-	228,892
Total income		176,838	352,309
Expenditure on:			
Charitable activities	4	266,489	228,956
Total expenditure		266,489	228,956
Net income/ (expenditure) and net movement of funds	6	(89,651)	123,353
Funds at start of period	11	1,842,671	1,719,318
Total funds at end of year	11	1,753,020	1,842,671

The charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year as set out above.

All of the activities of the charity are classed as continuing.

All movement in funds in the year and prior year are in unrestricted funds.

The notes on pages 12 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

THE BRISTOL CITY MISSION SOCIETY

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2025

Company number : 00383681

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	8	1,456,736	1,455,625
		1,456,736	1,455,625
Current assets			
Debtors	9	3,816	2,523
Cash at bank and in hand		301,778	431,042
		305,594	433,565
Liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	(9,310)	(46,519)
Net current assets		296,284	387,046
Net assets		1,753,020	1,842,671
Funds			
Unrestricted funds			
General funds	12	296,284	387,046
Designated funds	12	1,456,736	1,455,625
		1,753,020	1,842,671

The Company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the Company to obtain an audit of its accounts in accordance with section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011.

No members have required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of the accounts and

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies subject to the small companies' regime and in accordance with FRS102 SORP.

These financial statements were approved by the trustees on Sep 28 2026 and are signed on their behalf by:

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Louise Tripp
Trustee

The notes on pages 12 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

1 Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention (except where otherwise stated in the accounting policy note) and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019, and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), and the Companies Act 2006.

The charity is a public benefit entity as defined under FRS102.

The Trustees have considered the financial position of the organisation and believe that it is currently a going concern.

Income

Income from donations is included in come when these are receivable, except as follows:

I. When donors specify that donations given to the charity must be used in future accounting periods, the income is deferred until those periods;
II. When donors impose conditions which have to be fulfilled before the charity becomes entitled to use such income, the income is deferred until the pre-condition have been met.

Investment income is included on a receivable basis.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis in the period in which it is incurred. Expenditure is recorded net of VAT.

Grants awarded are allocated to charitable activities.

Grants awarded are treated as expenditure and a liability in the accounts as soon as they become legal or constructive obligations. In the case of multi-year grant awards, the funding for all years is immediately recognised unless there are conditions which need to be met by the recipient to enable the release of subsequent years' funding.

Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include the audit fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity. Governance costs are included within support costs.

Tangible fixed assets

Fixed assets are held at cost less accumulated depreciation. Assets costing less than £1,000 are not capitalised. Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated ultimate residual value, over the useful life of that asset as follows:

Freehold land & buildings	- 0% straight line
Equipment	- 25% straight line

It is the policy of the Trustees to maintain buildings held for charitable use in such condition that their useful economic life is indeterminate. In the opinion of the Trustees, the favourable location of those properties, combined with this policy, results in the current residual value of the properties being not less than their present carrying value in the accounts. Consequently, no depreciation is charged on these properties.

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

1 Accounting policies (*continued*)

Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

Creditors

Creditors and provisions are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance Sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable of a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Creditors are recognised at the amount that the charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted and the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised within interest payable and similar charges.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objects 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.

Designated funds form part of unrestricted funds and have been identified as being for particular purposes by the Trustees. They are not restricted and can be transferred to general funds at any time at the discretion of the Trustees.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in notes of the financial statements.

2 Income from: Donations and offerings

	Total Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2024 £
Offerings	32,431	38,456
Grants	-	5,000
Gift aid	5,929	2,613
	38,360	46,069

In 2024, the sale of a building during the year (Great George Street Church) triggered the repayment of a grant (of £49,318) under the original funding agreement. This has been disclosed separately on the face of the Statement of Financial Activities.

3 Income from: Charitable activities

	Total Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2024 £
Rental income	12,954	18,778
Coffee Shop sales	123,434	95,490
	136,388	114,268

4 Expenditure on: charitable activities

	Total Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2024 £
Coffee shop	49,945	48,015
Wages and salaries (note 7)	106,770	106,646
Grants made (note 5)	26,797	2,679
Service costs		
Evangelism	7,807	8,166
Premises costs	47,353	42,214
Support costs		
Rent and rates	-	2,377
IT expenses	374	106
Depreciation	848	358
Management and admin	9,934	11,050
Governance costs	11,327	2,924
Bank and other charges	3,184	488
Insurance	2,150	3,558
Late filing penalty	-	375
	266,489	228,956

5 Analysis of grants

The total grants awarded to institutions during the year was as follows:	2025 £	2024 £
In Hope	7,987	555
Beloved	120	267
Mullers	350	-
Operation Mobilisation	3,000	-
Open Air Mission	5,000	375
Worldshare	10,100	1,482
Other	240	-
	26,797	2,679
The total grants awarded to individuals	-	-
Total grants	26,797	2,679

6 Net income/ expenditure for the year

		2025	2024
		£	£
Independent examiner's fee	- Accounts preparation	1,700	1,800
	- Prior year (over)/ under accrual	500	(196)
	- Independent examination	1,300	1,320
	- Other services	7,827	-
Payments to Trustees		37,830	34,933
Reimbursement of Trustees expenses		-	-

Payments to trustees shown above relate to payments to two trustees. The charity is currently seeking authority from the Charity Commission for this for one of these Trustees (Louise Tripp), as this was not obtained during the year.

7 Staff costs and numbers

The aggregate staff costs were

	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	103,196	98,473
Social security costs	1,504	6,363
Pension costs	2,070	1,810
	106,770	106,646

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000.

The trustees consider themselves and the café manager and church operations manager to be the key management personnel. During the year they received benefits of £ 56,651 (2024: £34,933). No trustee received remuneration for their role as trustee.

The average weekly number of employees during the year was 6 (2024: 7), calculated on the basis of average headcount.

8 Tangible fixed assets

	Equipment	Freehold land & buildings	Total
		£	£
Cost			
At 1 January 2025	1,434	1,454,907	1,456,341
Disposals	1,959	-	1,959
At 31 December 2025	3,393	1,454,907	1,458,300
Depreciation			
At 1 January 2025	716	-	716
Charge for the year	848	-	848
At 31 December 2025	1,564	-	1,564
Net Book Value			
At 31 December 2025	1,829	1,454,907	1,456,736
At 31 December 2024	718	1,454,907	1,455,625

9 Debtors

	2025	2024
	£	£
Trade debtors	1,073	-
Gift Aid	355	2,523
Prepayments	2,388	-
	3,816	2,523

10 Creditors

	2025	2024
	£	£
Trade creditors	800	-
Accruals	3,350	3,120
PAYE	4,056	1,678
VAT	1,008	35,138
Other Creditors	96	6,583
	9,310	46,519

11 Movement between funds

	At 1 January 2025 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31 December 2025 £
Unrestricted funds					
General funds	387,046	176,838	(266,489)	(1,111)	296,284
Designated funds					
Fixed asset fund	1,455,625	-	-	1,111	1,456,736
Total funds	1,842,671	176,838	(266,489)	-	1,753,020

Prior year comparative

	At 1 January 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31 December 2024 £
Unrestricted funds					
General funds	8,098	352,309	(228,956)	255,595	387,046
Designated funds					
Mission stations fund	25,237	-	-	(25,237)	-
Fixed asset fund	1,685,983	-	-	(230,358)	1,455,625
Total funds	1,719,318	352,309	(228,956)	-	1,842,671

Mission stations fund
This represents funds set aside by the trustees towards mission stations. This fund was closed in 2024 as it was deemed no longer necessary, and all funds were transferred to general funds.

Fixed asset fund
This funds represents the net book value of fixed assets.

12 Analysis of net assets

	Unrestricted		Total Funds
	General £	Designated £	2025 £
Tangible fixed assets	-	1,456,736	1,456,736
Other net current assets	296,284	-	296,284
	296,284	1,456,736	1,753,020

Prior year comparative

	Unrestricted		Total Funds
	General £	Designated £	2024 £
Tangible fixed assets	-	1,455,625	1,455,625
Other net current assets	387,046	-	387,046
	387,046	1,455,625	1,842,671

13 Related party transactions

There are no transactions with trustees or other related parties other than those disclosed as required by the SORP elsewhere in the financial statements

14 Sale of property

In 2024, the accounts show the sale of a property (Great George Street Church) with a gain on disposal of £228,892. In line with FRS 102 this represents the net proceeds less the NBV of the property.

The sale price of the property was £475,000, however the net proceeds were £409,574. This is because selling costs amounted to £16,108. The sale of the property also triggered the repayment of a grant (£49,318), itemised separately in the Statement of Financial Activities. The NBV of the property was £230,000.