



# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

<b>From</b>	Period start date			<b>To</b>	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year

## Section A Reference and administration details

**Charity name**

Walmsley Unitarian CHapel

**Other names charity is known by**

**Registered charity number (if any)**

511188

**Charity's principal address**

Blackburn Road  
 Egerton  
 Bolton  
**Postcode** BL7 9PR

### 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	Jim Sheffield	Chairman		
2	Susan Jordan	Secretary		
3	Thomas Haslam			
4	Janice Hastie			
5	Maurice Hastie			
6	Lynne Cubbin			
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### Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

**Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)**

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

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**Section B Structure, governance and management**

**Description of the charity's trusts**

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Unincorporated Association
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by existing trustees

**Additional governance issues (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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**Section C Objectives and activities**

**Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document**

Walmsley Unitarian Chapel having been established as a place of worship of God, free from the acceptance of any creed, article or confession of faith as a condition of membership, membership is open to all persons who accept its free religious position and who pay such annual subscription as determined from time to time.

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

Having had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit, the activities undertaken by Walmsley Unitarian Chapel for the public good include:

- Holding services open to the public each Sunday.
- Printing a monthly magazine available to all and posted to those members of the congregation who are unable to attend having moved away.
- Offering naming ceremonies, wedding services and burial facilities to all: there is no requirement to be a member of the congregation.
- Holding summer and Christmas fairs plus Carols by Candlelight service open to all with no entrance fee.
- Offering the gardens and grounds to Incredible Edible Egerton who now hold their weekly meetings in the Chapel grounds
- In conjunction with Incredible Edible Egerton offering a weekly café and meeting place for the community.
- Leasing the Chapel facilities to a before and after school club that provides a high quality, safe service for local families.
- Renting use of Chapel facilities for a weekly Parent & Toddler group at a reduced rate.
- Hiring the Chapel Hall to local families for children's parties at a competitive rate.
- Hiring the Chapel Hall for weekly sessions of yoga, meditation and keep fit.
- Offering the use of grounds to local schools.

**Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

**Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year**

2024 was yet another busy and productive year for our Walmsley Family; and despite all the troubles in the world, remained, for us, a place of calm, solace, support and love. We have continued to enjoy the variety and richness of visiting preachers and have built a loving relationship with a small number who take services more regularly. Our numbers remained stable, with those who joined us in 2023 becoming more and more engaged in our activities and cementing their places within the "family". As with many places of worship, we have been affected by absences, due to ill health and change in circumstances, but have supported those who are able to return and are thankful for their return to good health and even more thankful to see them back in Chapel. We have continued, in the Walmsley way, to hold events and lunches and have branched out with new ventures too. Our Summer Garden Festival and Christmas Fair continue to be as popular as ever and add very welcome income to our coffers. Our partnership with "Incredible Egerton" also continues to thrive. Providing opportunities for people from the community to meet and develop friendships and provides yet another safe and accessible space. The Trustees as always are keen to maintain and improve our beautiful buildings and grounds, not only to ensure the health and safety of current users, but also to protect its longevity for the future. This year we have replaced the windows in the tearoom and kitchen areas of the schoolroom; and are awaiting its redecoration. Much needed external pointing is also scheduled for 2025! This year has also seen the completion of the extension to our car park and the weeding and planting of the earth mound surrounding it. A mammoth task, but one made manageable by the many volunteers who have turned out, on numerous occasions, and in some terrible weather to weed and plant. The "Wednesday Gang" continue to meet fortnightly from Easter to October and undertake a wide variety of maintenance tasks from garden tidying to erecting signs, painting handrails to general tidying. As a Chapel, as a congregation, as friends, and above all as the Walmsley Family, we continue to thrive and support each other. We are blessed to have our long standing members, the unsung heroes, who undertake the weekly tasks without which none of this would be possible.

## Section E

## Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The reserves are not used for day to day expenditure. We use reserves for capital works to the buildings and grounds if we are unable to raise the full amount from grant applications or contributions from members of the congregation and others.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

No funds in deficit

### Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

## Section F

## Other optional information

Our principal sources of funding are:

- congregation contributions and donations.
- Room hire
- possible contributions from regional Unitarian organisation NELUM (for capital works only)

Our expenditure enables us to offer:

- An active place of worship for non-conformists.
- Indoor and outdoor space for community activities for all age

We invest only in funds designated suitable for charitable organisations. We invest to retain the value of our existing funds.

## Section G

## Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Lynne Cubbin	Jim Sheffield
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	Chair
Date	12 November 2025	



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name	No (if any)
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## Receipts and payments accounts

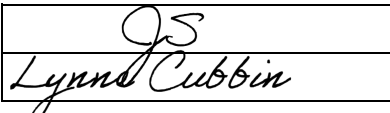
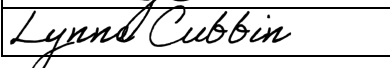
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For the period from	Period start date 01/02/2024	To	Period end date 31/01/2025
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### Section A Receipts and payments

	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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Donations incl gifts and legacies	69,102	-	-	69,102	24,009
Charitable activities	2,750	-	-	2,750	7,725
room hire	20,377	-	-	20,377	17,206
investments	-	-	-	-	55,938
membership	770	-	-	770	613
grants	9,850	-	-	9,850	11,500
Other trading activities	6,169	-	-	6,169	-
Other	-	-	-	-	1,033
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>109,018</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>109,018</b>	<b>118,024</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>109,018</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>109,018</b>	<b>118,024</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Charitable donations	1,559	-	-	1,559	-
Ministers Pulpit & organ	5,390	-	-	5,390	5,334
Buildings maintenance	28,878	-	-	28,878	22,855
Grounds maintenance	20,144	-	-	20,144	12,078
Events incl costs	-	-	-	-	736
Electricity, water, heating	9,389	-	-	9,389	10,380
Cleaning & equipment purchase	4,541	-	-	4,541	2,336
Insurance & accountancy	3,223	-	-	3,223	2,876
Membership, licence and fees	1,995	-	-	1,995	2,145
Other expenses	395	-	-	395	3,330
Website & printing	3,966	-	-	3,966	4,869
	79,480	-	-	79,480	66,939
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>79,480</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>79,480</b>	<b>66,939</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>29,538</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>29,538</b>	<b>51,085</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>29,538</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>29,538</b>	<b>51,085</b>

## 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 £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>	cash in current account	24,637	-	-
	cash in savings account	60,926	-	-
	float	273	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>85,836</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK
<b>B2 Other monetary assets</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds to nearest £</b>	<b>Restricted funds to nearest £</b>	<b>Endowment funds to nearest £</b>
	Mellon (Newton) Income Fund	103,234	-	-
	M&G Charifund	74,739	-	-
	Legal and General	-	-	-
	Black Rock	481	-	-
	NSI	257	-	-
		-	-	-
<b>B3 Investment assets</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost (optional)</b>	<b>Current value (optional)</b>
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Fund to which asset belongs</b>	<b>Cost (optional)</b>	<b>Current value (optional)</b>
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
<b>B5 Liabilities</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Fund to which liability relates</b>	<b>Amount due (optional)</b>	<b>When due (optional)</b>
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Jim Sheffield	06-Apr-25	
		Lynne Cubbin	06-Apr-25	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

WALMSLEY UNITARIAN CHAPEL

On accounts for the year ended

31.01.2025 Charity no (if any) 511188

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [ ] if not applicable.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below \*) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

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

Signed:

[Signature]

Date:

1/11/25

Name:

MICHAEL CROPPER

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body

FINANCE DIRECTOR (RETS)

(if any):

Address:

**Section B**

**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.