

WALDRINGFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

TRUST INFORMATION AS AT 31/10/2023

Name:	WALDRINGFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH
Address:	NEWBOURNE ROAD, WALDRINGFIELD, IPSWICH, IP12 4PT
Status:	CHARITABLE TRUST
Registration Number:	1133524
Affiliation:	GRACE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
Holding Trustee:	ASSOCIATION OF GRACE BAPTIST CHURCHES (EAST ANGLIA) LTD.
Pastor:	JAMES R. WILSON
Deacons:	MR. PETER J. ABBOTT MR. RICHARD M. BRACKENBURY MR. ROBERT G. DEEX MR. RANDALL J. NICHOLS MR. ANDREW WARD MR. MATTHEW S. WYNOLL
Church Officers:	MR. ANDREW WARD (Secretary) MR. ROBERT G. DEEX (Treasurer)
Independent Examiner:	MRS. ANNALIESE HALL ICAEW FCA
Bankers:	NAT WEST

Governance and Management

The church members approved the adoption of a constitution at a meeting on 6th October 2009. This is the governing document for the church together with the church Articles of Faith and Rules adopted in September 1993.

The church, which had been an excepted charity, was registered with the Charity Commission with effect from 15th January 2010.

The church pastor and deacons are the trustees. There are seven trustees. Under the church constitution and rules, the pastor and deacons are elected by the church members by ballot, with the requirement that three quarters of those present at a church meeting are in favour of election. A church officer may resign at any time. The trustees meet five or six times a year. It is the responsibility of every church member to support the trustees through prayer and help to ensure that the church fulfils its objectives and aims.

Objectives and Aims

The purpose of the church is the advancement of the Christian Faith by the preaching of the Gospel, as set out in the Bible, according to Baptist principles and in accordance with the Church Articles of Faith. This is primarily in the area of Waldringfield, Suffolk and surrounding villages - but also to provide help to others in promoting the Christian Faith elsewhere in the UK and worldwide.

The primary aims of the work are to show people the need to repent and to accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour, and to strengthen Christians in their faith.

Activities and Achievements

The trustees have given due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. During the year, the church continued to carry out the following activities in order to promote the Gospel in the local neighbourhood: -

- (a) Regular services are held morning and evening on Sundays and a prayer and Bible study meeting on Wednesday evenings. These meetings are open to all who wish to attend and include the preaching of the Gospel.
- (b) The provision and maintenance of the church building and youth hall. In addition to the meetings as stated, these buildings are used for children's clubs, youth meetings, ladies' meetings and wedding and funeral services. The grounds are used for sporting and other activities connected with the work of the church.
- (c) The church is involved in outreach by means of, for example:
 - Friends and neighbours' lunches quarterly.
 - Quiz evenings twice a year.
 - Monthly afternoon fellowship meeting with guest speakers and hymn singing.
 - Monthly ladies' meeting, inviting friends and enjoying social activities.
 - Regular visits by a prison ministry team to take services at Hollesley Prison.
 - A parent and toddler group on Wednesday mornings.

- Barbecues following youth and firework events.
- An annual Holiday Bible Club for children aged 3-11, where they enjoy singing, craft and Bible stories.
- A weekly youth club for children aged 11-16.
- Attending assemblies at three local primary schools on a regular basis.
- The church produces DVDs and CDs of the church services which are available and distributed to anyone on request, and particularly those unable to attend the church services.

(d) The church is involved in worldwide mission by supporting missionary work, particularly Grace Baptist Mission, London City Mission and Tear Fund. We also support, and have close links with, a church and Christian groups in Romania.

(e) Pastoral support is provided by a care team for those who are unwell or in need.

The online streaming of our regular services by our pastor is continuing.

Finances


The principal source of funds is the free will offerings from the church members. Expenditure supports the objectives and aims of the church by, amongst other things, giving to Christian organisations to the extent of £9,900 for the year ending 31/10/2023 (12.5% of church income) (2022: 14.6%).


The accounts for the year to 31/10/2023 have been prepared on a cash receipts and payments basis as permitted under the regulations. The summary of the funds shows that we have £50,800.69 in hand at the year end. Church officers continually review the balances on hand to ensure that sufficient is held to continue the work of the church and to meet anticipated expenditure.

We are required to produce a statement of assets and liabilities and this is shown in the accounts. The fixed assets of the church are shown at their insured value.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 21... January 2024

And signed on its behalf by:-


Pastor J. Wilson


Mr. A. Ward (Secretary)



CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

WALDRINGFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH

On accounts for the year
ended

31st OCTOBER 2023

Charity no
(if any)

1133524

Set out on pages

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 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:

Date:

15/1/2024

Name:

ANNALIESE HALL

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

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT
(FCA/ICAEW)

Address:

81 WOODBRIDGE ROAD EAST
IPSWICH, SUFFOLK
IP4 5QL

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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.

WALDRINGFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH

Receipts & Payments Account for the year to 31st October 2023

General Account

Receipts	2023	2022	Expenses	2023	2022
Offerings & GAYE	53,100.28	52,787	<u>Ministry</u>		
Donations	5.90	431	Salaries	32,501.84	47,894
Gift Aid Tax	14,225.64	13,753	Expenses - JW	305.69	536
	<u>67,331.82</u>	<u>66,971</u>	Pension	4,470.00	4,300
			Church NIC	-	229
			Guest Speakers	3,565.00	605
				<u>40,842.53</u>	<u>53,564</u>
<u>Specific Gifts</u>			<u>Gifts (1)</u>		
GBM	-	-	GBM	1,500.00	1,500
Samaritans Purse Ukraine	700.00	3,351	Tear Fund	4,370.00	3,200
Tear Fund	3,562.89	2,225	Romania	1,600.00	2,000
Other Gifts	280	-	Other Gifts	2,430.00	4,610
	<u>4,542.89</u>	<u>5,576</u>		<u>9,900.00</u>	<u>11,310</u>
<u>Church Life</u>			<u>Church Life & Outreach</u>		
Friends & Neighbours Lunches	556.84	627	Friends & Neighbours Lunches	505.61	565
Funeral Donations	1,371.50	900	Food Parcel Costs	3,909.01	4,399
Food Parcel Donations	3,137.00	1,235	Family Fun Day	677.80	-
Prayer / Meal Donations	369.00	506	Prayer / Meal Expenses	193.53	398
Family Fun Day Donations	210.51	-	Child Protection	396.95	238
Good Friday Meal	90.00	81	Good Friday Meal	429.38	193
Quiz Donations	77.86	-	Quiz Evening	115.95	-
Pastors' Love Gifts	-	1,418	Other	235.98	1,883
	<u>5,812.71</u>	<u>4,767</u>		<u>6,464.21</u>	<u>7,676</u>
<u>Others</u>			<u>Premises & Admin</u>		
Sale of oil tank	526.80	-	Car Expenses	-	-
Misc	675.24	-	Water Bills	332.29	954
	<u>1,202.04</u>	<u>-</u>	Insurance	2,441.52	1,875
			Repairs	765.37	751
			Kitchen Supplies	199.52	414
			Cleaning - Wages & Supplies	4,202.48	4,061
			Mowers - Service & Petrol	660.66	190
			Fire Equipment Service	216.00	210
			Oil	1,104.56	547
			Telephone	569.08	497
			Electricity	2,064.54	2,304
			Equipment	837.50	479
			Photocopier & Stationery	108.71	122
			Subs & Donations	974.27	576
			Copyright Fees	214.00	204
			Sundries	197.62	210
				<u>14,888.12</u>	<u>13,394</u>
Total Receipts	<u>78,889.46</u>	<u>77,314</u>	Total Payments	<u>72,094.86</u>	<u>85,944</u>
Deficit for year	-	8,630	Surplus For Year	6,794.60	-
Total	<u>78,889.46</u>	<u>85,944</u>		<u>78,889.46</u>	<u>85,944</u>

(1) Gifts are listed on separate sheet below

BENEVOLENT FUND

	2023	2022		2023	2022
Balance b/f	-	-	Distribution	8.97	50
Transfer from General Fund	8.97	50	Balance c/f	-	-
	<u>8.97</u>	<u>50</u>		<u>8.97</u>	<u>50</u>

YOUTH FUND

	2023	2022		2023	2022
Balance b/f	-	452	Sunday School Materials	-	122
Youth Sunday	800.00	800	Parties and prizes	409.20	650
Holiday Bible Club BBQ donations	77.15	113	Holiday Bible Club	320.25	543
Fireworks donations	30.00	-	Friday Youth Club	8.99	134
Transfer from General Fund	805.69	184	Light Party	72.53	100
			Fireworks (2 Years) and BBQ	836.66	-
			Sundries	65.21	-
	<u>1,712.84</u>	<u>1,549</u>		<u>1,712.84</u>	<u>1,549</u>

FAIR HAVENS FUND

	2023	2022		2023	2022
Balance b/f	-	-	Insurance	410.46	391
Transfer from General Fund	3,714.00	5,142	Council Tax	2,861.90	2,751
			Repairs	441.64	-
			Others	-	2,000
			Balance c/f	-	-
	<u>3,714.00</u>	<u>5,142</u>		<u>3,714.00</u>	<u>5,142</u>

BUILDING FUND - YOUTH HALL

	2023	2022		2023	2022
Balance b/f	37,360.56	8,622	Others	-	565
Donations	1,485.00	29,303	Balance c/f	38,845.56	37,360
	<u>38,845.56</u>	<u>37,925</u>		<u>38,845.56</u>	<u>37,925</u>

ACCUMULATED FUND

Balance b/f		9,689.19
Transfer to Benevolent Fund	(8.97)	
Transfer to Fair Havens Fund	(3,714.00)	
Transfer to Youth Fund	(805.69)	
		<u>(4,528.66)</u>
		5,160.53
Surplus on General Fund		6,794.60
Balance c/f		<u>11,955.13</u>

SUMMARY OF FUNDS AS AT 31/10/2023

	2023	2022
Accumulated Fund	11,955.13	9,689
Benevolent Fund	-	-
Youth Fund	-	-
Fair Havens Fund	-	-
Building Fund	38,845.56	37,361
Total of Funds	<u>50,800.69</u>	<u>47,050</u>

STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES AT 31/10/2023

	2023	2022
Bank Current Account	50,800.69	47,050
Total Monetary Assets	<u>50,800.69</u>	<u>47,050</u>

Non-Monetary Assets & Liabilities**2023**

Fixed Assets for Charity Use	2,083,591.00
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<u>GIFTS</u>		2023	2022
GBM			
Javeds / Liboros		1,500.00	1,500
TEAR FUND			
Earthquake appeal	3,000.00		
Others	120.00		
Harvest offering	1,250.00	4,370.00	3,200
ROMANIA			
Pastor Marius - Timisoara	750.00		
Arad Orphanage	850.00	1600.00	2000
Samaritans Purse Ukraine appeal		700.00	3,310
London City Mission		250.00	200
Outreach UK (Home Evangelism)		250.00	200
AGBC East Anglia		500.00	500
Spurgeons Childcare		250.00	200
Asia Link		250.00	200
Others		230.00	-
		<hr/> 9,900.00	<hr/> 11,310