

**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 MARCH 2015**

ABINGDON VINEYARD CHURCH

CHARITY REGISTRATION NO: 1123914

COMPANY REGISTRATION NO: 06513569

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**REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS
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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

CHARITY NUMBER	1123914
COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER	06513569
START OF FINANCIAL YEAR	1 April 2014
END OF FINANCIAL YEAR	31 March 2015
DIRECTORS AT 31 MARCH 2015	Mr Ray Ball Mr Dominic Rogers Mr Chas Winder
COMPANY SECRETARY	Mr Dominic Rogers
REGISTERED ADDRESS	PO Box 533 Abingdon OX14 9BY
DATE OF INCORPORATION	26 February 2008
GOVERNING DOCUMENT	Memorandum and Articles of Association
BANKERS	The Co-operative Bank Plc Head Office 1 Balloon Street Manchester M60 4EP CAF Bank Ltd 25 Kings Hill Avenue Kings Hill West Malling ME19 4JQ
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	J Irvine-Smith MAAT FCIE Independent Examiners Ltd Sovereign Centre Poplars, Yapton Lane Walberton West Sussex BN18 0AS

OBJECTS

(i) to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the statement of beliefs in such ways and in such parts of Abingdon, The United Kingdom or the World as the trustees from time to time may think fit; (ii) to relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods or services of any kind, including through the provision of counselling and support in such parts of Abingdon, The United Kingdom or the World as the trustees from time to time may think fit; (iii) the trustees must use the income and may use the capital of the charity in promoting the objects.

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Structure, Governance and management:

Description of the Charity's trusts

Governing Document:	} Please see
Directors selection method:	} Articles &
Additional Governance issues:	} Memorandum
Policies and procedures for inducting and training directors	} attached

Organisational structure

The Trustees are responsible for the good governance of the charity. They meet from time to time and at least four times per year and by electronic means to review and agree the annual budget, to review and improve the function of the charity and monitor the financial position in line with the budget. The charity is managed on a day to day basis by the Senior Pastor and Finance Manager, both of whom are Directors and Trustees. Significant financial commitments are reviewed and agreed at a meeting of the Trustees, prior to implementation. Most of the activities and ministries of the church are led by and undertaken by volunteers. There is one paid member of staff, a student Children and Family Worker, who is on a two year degree course with CYM Oxford. The student is employed part-time under a scheme where this charity provides a professional practice placement and benefits from work of the student.

Relationship with related parties

The charity continues to make a significant contribution to the local community both as a local church and in the coordination of family orientated activities that open up relationship within the community and provides services to the community. The charity also works with other churches on community initiatives and to make church accessible to the community in its variety of traditions. Working through local support agencies the charity has been successful in providing small household items and bedding etc to families in need, also hampers at Christmas through its Storehouse ministry.

Open meetings and events are normally held at the Preston Road Community Centre, itself a charitable organisation, and with whom good relations have been developed with the church supporting the operation and management of the centre by volunteer help and being represented on the management committee.

The charity continues to have good working relationships with the Police, Police Community Support Officers and Social Services. The charity, as part of its community outreach, continues to organise and fund the weekly Baby & Toddler Group and South Abingdon Youth Club the latter run as a partnership of the Police Neighbourhood Policing Officers and the Preston Road Community Centre. The charity continues to look at opportunities for partnering or collaborating with other charities having complementary objects to enhance our work in the community to the mutual benefit of all parties concerned. The charity is a member of the Church in Abingdon collective making relationship with other churches easier to maintain.

Objects of the charity and review of principal activities

The Objects of the Charity are for the benefit of the public: (a) to advance the Christian faith in accordance with the Statement of Beliefs in the Schedule hereto attached in such ways and in such parts of Abingdon, the United Kingdom or the world as the Trustees from time to time may think fit; (b) to relieve sickness and financial hardship and to promote and preserve good health by the provision of funds, goods or services of any kind, including through the provision of counselling and support in such parts of Abingdon, the United Kingdom or the world as the Trustees from time to time may think fit; (c) The Trustees must use the income and may use the capital of the Charity in promoting the Objects.

The principal activities of the charity in pursuance of its objectives are the advancement of the Christian faith, education and training and the relief of the needy. The vision for the Abingdon Vineyard Church that the leaders had when the church was first planted and set up as a charity was that it would be a 'church without walls' reaching out into the community through demonstrating Christian principles through actions and activities in the community.

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Under the leadership of the Senior Pastor, supported by his leadership team, ministries within the church continue to mature meeting the spiritual needs of members through teaching, pastoral care and fellowship at weekly Small Groups and at Sunday open meetings. We meet every Sunday providing a greater opportunity to engage with the community offering variety in our meetings including our monthly family friendly 'Vineyard Breakfast Sunday' with breakfast refreshments and activities provided free to all. Weekly Small Groups are the principal place where our members can grow spiritually and develop strong friendships through sharing in bible teaching, prayer for each other in an informal and comfortable environment.

For the community at large and in pursuance of its outreach to the community, the charity has organised key family fun events on its own and with other churches. Of particular note is our increasingly popular and noted annual Easter Party in the Park event. This attracts over 100 children with their families for traditional games and Bunny Hunt, with the Easter message woven into proceedings. This and other such events have been very successful in breaking down social barriers and in demonstrating the inclusive nature of the modern church.

The charity continues to recognise the need for organised activities for young people in the south of the town. Since its formation at the beginning of 2009 the South Abingdon Youth Club has continued to meet a need for young people of South Abingdon. Through its recreational activities and 'Vineyard Cafe', offering low cost snacks, the club has grown as a popular meeting place with an average weekly attendance of 50 plus young people. The club does not require membership to the church and is available free to any young person in the age group of 10 to 15 years living in the South Abingdon area. A new generation of young people have joined the club this year joining well over a hundred young people who have registered and used the club since in the year. The Youth Club continues to open every Friday during school term time with a variety of theme activities available as well as traditional games. For young people reaching the age of 15 years an opportunity is provided for on-the-job training as Junior Leaders. The role has a specific Job Description and offers a form of a work experience through a structured itinerary in task leadership and increasing responsibility. There were four such Junior Leaders in this reporting year.

To provide the opportunity for young people to discover more about the Christian Faith, the charity continues run a Youth Alpha type courses that discusses the basis for Christianity in an evidential manner. This allows those attending to make their own minds up and to explore as little or as much as they choose. The charity continues to sponsor the attendance of young people at the national Soul Survivor youth Christian festival to join with thousands of other youngsters in discovering more about the faith in a fun inclusive environment.

The charity also provided an adult Alpha course as part of a Church in Abingdon annual initiative to provide courses through its member churches.

Within the church administration, leaders have received training through attendance at the 4 day Vineyard UK National Leaders Conference that brings Vineyard church leaders and potential leaders together to share experiences and to receive sound teaching through presentations by internationally recognised speakers. The conference brings knowledge, refreshing and spiritual growth that contributes significantly to delivering the objectives of the church. The charity has been able to extend training for specific ministries to provide opportunities for leaders to attend relevant conferences meeting with leaders from other churches to share and learn from the wider group. In house training has also taken off to develop our leaders and to underpin the objects of the charity. In our Worship Team, we continue to offer the opportunity for younger musicians to be part of our team and play along with established musicians which provides a valuable learning opportunity and builds confidence.

Fulfilment of the charity's objectives concerning relief of hardship, our ministry to the needy, is both inward and outward facing. We seek to directly support the needy within the church (inward facing) directly through our Home Group and ministry leaders. Pastoral care, and practical support are provided to anyone according to their need and introductions to outside agencies can be arranged through contacts the church has developed where specialist support is needed. The charity continues to support the Christians Against Poverty (CAP) charity through regular donation and offers church contact to CAP clients in Abingdon.

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Through the charity's 'Storehouse' ministry (outward facing) we continue to provide basic household items to families and individuals in need who are trying to establish homes under various circumstances. This ministry is conducted under local support agency introduction or referral and is well received by the agencies and recipients alike. The charity also provided a number holiday breaks to benefit families referred by local support agencies and in a similar way provided hampers at Christmas.

Further financial review details:

Principle sources of funds

The majority of our funds come from regular donations and people are free to donate or not according to their personal situation. We do not hold collections. Our regular donations are uplifted through the Gift Aid scheme and we are recognised as a Charity for the purposes of Tax.

We have a small income specifically for the Youth Club which is held in a restricted fund.

How expenditure supports key activities of the charity

With the exception of our student Children and Family worker, we do not have any other paid staff. Thus all other expenditure is available for promoting and delivering the objects of the charity. Our main assets have either been donated (prior to incorporation) or have been recently purchased so renewal is accounted for in allowances for depreciation. All venues are hired so there are no maintenance costs. Our overhead costs are therefore low so as well as delivering our objectives we are also holding reserve funds to cover any lean periods of donation and to support future development of the charity.

Investment policy

We have chosen to place our reserve funds in a low risk ethical deposit account with easy access. Our reserves include funds set aside in a designated fund for Church Development to support the charity's aspirations for growth and the provision of greater access for the community. This is consistent with our objectives of the advancement of the Christian faith, education and training and the relief of the needy.

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Statement of Director's responsibilities:

The Charities Act and the Companies Act require the Board of Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the end of the financial year and of the surplus or deficit of the charity. In preparing those financial statements the Board is required to :-

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed , subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements

The trustees are responsible for maintaining adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 and comply with regulations made under the Charities Act. 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 are also responsible for the contents of the trustees' report, and the responsibility of the independent examiner in relation to the trustees' report is limited to examining the report and ensuring that , on the face of the report, there are no inconsistencies with the figures disclosed in the financial statements.

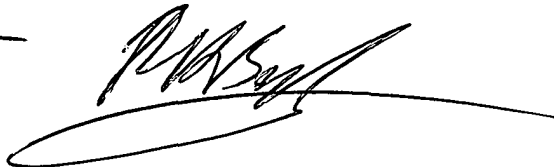
These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

I approve the attached statement of financial activities and balance sheet for the year ended 31 March 2015, and confirm that I have made available all information necessary for its preparation.

Signed on behalf of the board by R. Ball

Date 30th Sept 2015

PRINT NAME: R BALL



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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

Incorporating income and expenditure account

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	TOTAL 2015/14 £	TOTAL 2014/13 £
INCOMING RESOURCES						
Voluntary Income	3a	41,964	1,042	0	43,006	45,925
Activities for Generating Funds	3b	156	0	0	156	144
Investment Income	3c	139	0	0	139	115
Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	3d	1,401	0	0	1,401	1,298
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		43,660	1,042	0	44,702	47,482
RESOURCES EXPENDED						
Costs of Generating Funds	4a	140	0	0	140	481
Charitable Activities	4b	35,807	1,187	0	36,994	36,133
Governance Costs	4c	420	0	0	420	420
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		36,367	1,187	0	37,554	37,034
NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES		7,293	(145)	0	7,148	10,448
Total Funds Brought Forward		31,302	1,112	50,000	82,414	71,966
Transfers Between Funds		(7,148)	0	7,148	0	0
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		31,447	967	57,148	89,562	82,414

Movements on all reserves and all recognised gains and losses are shown above. All of the organisation's operations are classed as continuing.

The notes on pages 9 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

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**BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 MARCH 2015**

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Designated Funds	31-Mar-15 Total	31-Mar-14 Total
	Note	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets						
Tangible assets	2	2,472	0	0	2,472	2,790
Current Assets						
Debtors	7	8,591	0	0	8,591	9,494
Cash at bank and in hand		21,304	967	57,148	79,419	75,128
Total Current Assets		29,895	967	57,148	88,010	84,622
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	920	0	0	920	4,998
NET CURRENT ASSETS		28,975	967	57,148	87,090	79,624
TOTAL ASSETS less current liabilities		31,447	967	57,148	89,562	82,414
NET ASSETS		31,447	967	57,148	89,562	82,414
Funds of the Charity						
General Funds		31,447	0	0	31,447	31,302
Designated Funds	6	0	0	57,148	57,148	50,000
Restricted Funds	5	0	967	0	967	1,112
Total Funds		31,447	967	57,148	89,562	82,414

The directors are satisfied that for the year ended on 31 March 2015 the charitable company was entitled to exemption from the requirement to obtain an audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 and that no member or members have required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Act. However, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011, the accounts have been examined by an Independent Examiner whose report appears on page 16.

The directors acknowledge their responsibility for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

The directors acknowledge their responsibility for ensuring that the company keeps proper accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Act and for preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its profit and loss for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the company.

Approved by the Board on 30th Sept 2015

Signed on their behalf by R Ball, Director.
Print name R BALL



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Basis of preparation:

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with all applicable accounting standards, as modified by the SORP. The accounts have been drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the Companies Acts, and include the results of the charity's operations which are described in the Trustees' Report, all of which are continuing.

Advantage has been taken of Section 396(5) of The Companies Act 2006 to allow the format of the financial statements to be adapted to reflect the special nature of the charity's operation and in order to comply with the requirements of the SORP.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No 1 from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement.

The particular accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Incoming Resources

Recognition of Incoming Resources

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when:

- the charity becomes entitled to the resources;
- the Directors are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability

Incoming Resources with related expenditure

Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the incoming resource and related expenditure are reported gross in the SOFA.

Grants and Donations

Grants and Donations are only included in the SOFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources.

Tax reclaims on Donations and Gifts

Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the SOFA in the same financial period as the gift to which they relate.

Contractual Income and Performance Related Grants

This is only included in the SOFA once the related goods or services has been delivered.

Gifts in Kind

Gifts in kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount actually realised. Gifts in kind for sale or distribution are included in the accounts as gifts only when sold or distributed by the charity. Gifts in kind for use by the charity are included in the SOFA as incoming resources when receivable.

Donated Services and Facilities

These are only included in incoming resources (with an equivalent amount in resources expended) where the benefit to the charity is reasonably quantifiable, measurable and material. The value placed on these resources is the estimated value to the charity of the service or facility received.

Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the Directors' annual report.

Investment Income

This is included in the accounts when receivable.

Investment gains and losses

This included any gain or loss on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.

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Liability recognition

Governance Costs

Changes in Accounting policies and previous accounts

Assets

Tangible fixed assets for use by the charity:

Depreciation is calculated at a rate to write off the cost of tangible fixed assets on a straight line basis over their estimated useful lives. The rates applied per annum are as follows:

20%

2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS		Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	Notes	£	£	£
FIXTURES, FITTINGS AND EQUIPMENT				
Cost	01-Apr-14	9,559	0	9,559
Additions		430	0	430
Cost at	31-Mar-15	9,989	0	9,989
Depreciation	01-Apr-14	6,769	0	6,769
Charge		748	0	748
Depreciation at	31-Mar-15	7,517	0	7,517
Net Book Value	31-Mar-15	2,472	0	2,472
Net Book Value	31-Mar-14	2,790	0	2,790

The annual commitments under non-cancelling operating leases and capital commitments are as follows:

31 March 2015: None

31 March 2014: None

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3. INCOMING RESOURCES	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2015/14 £	TOTAL 2014/13 £
a) Voluntary Income					
Donations	5	0	1,042	1,042	463
Gift aid tax reclaimed		7,024		7,024	8,776
Offerings		34,940		34,940	36,686
		41,964	1,042	43,006	45,925
b) Activities for Generating Funds					
CD Sales		156		156	144
		156	0	156	144
c) Investment Income					
Bank interest received		139		139	115
		139	0	139	115
d) Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities					
Events		0		0	80
Other activities income		147		147	223
Youth Club tuck shop		1,254		1,254	995
		1,401	0	1,401	1,298

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4. RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2015/14 £	TOTAL 2014/13 £
a) Costs of Generating Funds					
CD Purchases		140		140	481
		140	0	140	481
b) Charitable Activities					
Association of Vineyard Churches		1,900		1,900	1,528
Childrens work		552		552	503
Church overheads		6,069		6,069	5,221
Church youth activities		4,343		4,343	3,451
Conferences and training		2,292		2,292	2,787
Depreciation		748		748	853
Evangelism		217	413	630	922
External giving		8,378		8,378	14,081
Gifts to church helpers		0		0	96
Meetings		4,507		4,507	4,936
Ministry event costs		689		689	37
Other activities costs				0	190
Wages and Salaries	9	4,247		4,247	0
Youth Club		1,865	774	2,639	1,528
		35,807	1,187	36,994	36,133
c) Governance Costs					
Independent examiners fees	8	420		420	420
		420	0	420	420

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5. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	Balance 01-Apr-14 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Balance 31-Mar-15 £
Youth Club	0	1,042	774	0	268
Compassion Ministry	1,112	0	413	0	699
	1,112	1,042	1,187	0	967

The Youth Club fund relates to funds donated specifically for the Youth Club and cannot be spent on any other church activities.

The Compassion Ministry fund relates to monies donated to the church, to be used specifically for the help of the poor and the needy.

The restricted funds are wholly represented by cash reserves of the charity

6. DESIGNATED FUNDS

	Balance 01-Apr-14 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfer Btw Funds £	Balance 31-Mar-15 £
Church Development Fund	50,000	0	0	7,148	57,148
	50,000	0	0	7,148	57,148

The Church Development Fund is money set aside for possible future building projects.

7. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Total 31-Mar-15 £	Total 31-Mar-14 £
Prepayments	1,060	0	1,060	737
Tax Recoverable	7,531	0	7,531	8,757
	8,591	0	8,591	9,494

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**8. CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS: AMOUNTS FALLING
DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Total 31-Mar-15 £	Total 31-Mar-14 £
Accruals	500	0	500	4,578
Independent Examiners Fees	420	0	420	420
	920	0	920	4,998

9. STAFF COSTS AND NUMBERS

	31-Mar 2015 £	31-Mar 2014 £
Gross Wages and Salaries	4,247	0
Employer's National Insurance Costs	0	0
Pension Contributions	0	0
	4,247	0

Employees who were engaged in each of the following activities:

	31-Mar 2015 TOTAL	31-Mar 2014 TOTAL
Activities in furtherance of organisation's objects	1	0
	1	0

Abingdon Vineyard employed one staff member from 1 September 2014. No employee received emoluments in excess of £60,000. Staff are paid through the PAYE system.

10. DIRECTORS AND OTHER RELATED PARTIES

No payments were made to directors or any persons connected with them during this financial period. No material transaction took place between the organisation and a trustee or any person connected with them.

11. RISK ASSESSMENT

The directors actively review the major risks which the charity faces on a regular basis and believe that maintaining the free reserves stated, combined with the annual review of the controls over key financial systems carried out on an annual basis will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The directors have also examined other operational and business risks which they face and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks.

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12. RESERVES POLICY

The directors have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the charity's needs. This is based on the charity's size and the level of financial commitments held. The directors aim to ensure the charity will be able to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives even if there is a temporary shortfall in income or unexpected expenditure. The directors will endeavour not to set aside funds unnecessarily.

13. PUBLIC BENEFIT

The charity acknowledges its requirement to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes or 'aims' that are for the public benefit. Details of how the charity has achieved this are provided in the Trustees report. The Trustees confirm that they have paid due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit before deciding what activities the charity should undertake.