EASTERHOUSE COMMUNITY CHURCH

BUILDING A COMMUNITY OF HOPE

Trustee's Annual Report & Financial Statements

For the period ending 31st March 2025

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Report and Financial Statement

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st March 2025

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TRUSTEE'S ANNUAL REPORT

The Trustees have pleasure in presenting their report for the financial year ending 31st March 2025.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS

Charity Name : Assemblies of God, Easterhouse, known as "Easterhouse Community Church"

Charity Number : SC042698

Principal Address : The Lochs Shopping Centre, Westerhouse Road, Easterhouse G34 9DT

Constitutional form : Unincorporated Association

Registration date : 28th October 2011

Accounting reference date: 31st March

Charity Trustees : Ronald Edwards (Resigned 20/3/2025)
Maurice Logie
William Watt

Bankers : Bank of Scotland, Johnston. Code 80-16-53.
Account Number 06002403

Independent Examiner : Peter Hall of "Peter Hall Finance & Accounting Solutions", Tillicoultry, Clackmannanshire.

Senior Staff member responsible for day-to-day management of the charity: Pastor Stuart Patterson (non-Trustee).

The charity has income below £250,000, and as such is eligible to prepare its accounts on a "Receipts and Payments" Basis. The governing document does not require the charity to prepare fully accrued accounts and neither does it require an audit. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, the charities and Trustee investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, issued

by the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator in its role as a SORP making body, recognised by the Financial Reporting Council.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE, MANAGEMENT

Governing document: The charity is administered in accordance with the terms of the Trust Deed. The Church's charitable objectives are the advancement of religion and the prevention and relief of poverty. The Charity is registered with the "Office of Scottish Charity Regulator".

During the year, the number of active Trustees fell below the minimum required under the charity's constitution. The remaining Trustees are aware of this position and are taking steps to appoint additional Trustees to ensure compliance and strengthen oversight. These actions are intended to ensure that governance arrangements are robust, transparent, and fully compliant with regulatory expectations.

Organisational structure and decision-making process: The Trustees are the managerial body of the charity and are responsible for oversight and strategic decision-making. During the year, the Trustees did not meet as frequently as required under the Trust Deed. However, they remained generally aware of the activities and financial position of the charity.

The Trustees acknowledge that governance arrangements during the year did not fully comply with the requirements of the Trust Deed. Steps are now being taken to regularise Trustee meetings, ensure compliance with constitutional requirements, and strengthen governance procedures going forward.

How trustees are appointed and recruited: The trustees were those appointed on the establishment of the trust and represent the minimum number required. Appointment and removal is in accordance with the Trust Deed which requires that appointment is approved by unanimous agreement of the existing trustees and removal of any trustee by the unanimous agreement of the others.

Risk Management: The Trustees recognise their responsibility to identify and manage risks to which the charity is exposed. During the year, governance-related risks arose due to reduced Trustee numbers and infrequent formal meetings. The Trustees are addressing these risks by strengthening governance structures, increasing Trustee engagement, and implementing more regular financial monitoring procedures. Aside from these governance matters, the Trustees consider that the charity is not exposed to significant financial or operational risks beyond those already identified.

Affiliations and connections: The charity is affiliated with the "Assemblies of God, Great Britain". ("Assemblies of God" is a company limited by guarantee (No. 2873415) registered in England, having its registered office at "Gf/F12 No. 1-2 The Cottages, Deva Centre, Manchester, England, M3 7BE" and is also a registered charity (No. 1032245)).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The purpose of the charity as set out in the governing document: The purpose of the charity is the advancement of religion; provision of assistance to those in need through age, ill-health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage.

Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes: The charity helped several people in the community through counselling, financial and practical help; including “hardship payments”.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE & FUTURE

In the twelve months April 2024 to March 2025 “Easterhouse Community Church” has continued to work hard at establishing itself both as an asset to the Kingdom of God and the local community.

Church activities resumed their normal timetable and setup. Our women’s spring and autumn conferences continue to be a significant part of the church’s role in the church at large in the West of Scotland and beyond. Our men’s conference took place on the 20th & 21st June 2025 at Auchenfoyle Camp.

Sunday Gatherings and midweek Bible Studies
The church gatherings have moved to upper twenties and early thirties in numbers, seeing us break through the thirty barrier through much of the past twelve months. The stability we saw last year being maintained and increased as the past year went on.

In person gatherings have revolved around raising up speakers and platform ministers of our own, as well as bringing in guest speakers that fit in with the overall vision and planning of the local church.

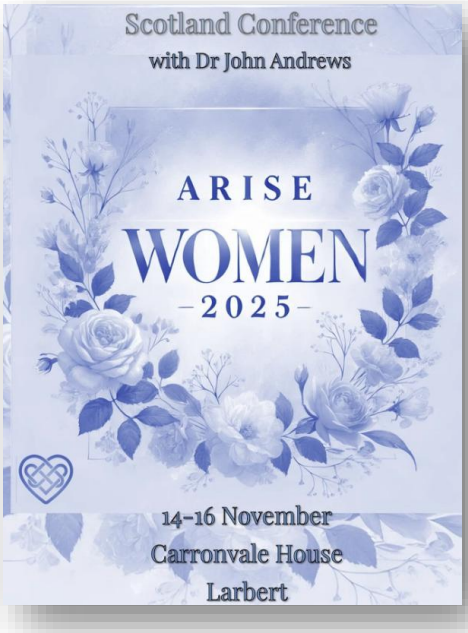
We use a range of themed meetings as a way of connecting with the local community and have enjoyed seeing some come over the doors – especially from the new houses facing the church.

Our mid-week Bible studies are in the building, with a constant sixteen attending. These take the form of Bible based discussions and teachings, where congregants have seen their own Bible knowledge grow. It has been good to see some being able to lead this. The theme across these has been the person of Christ in His cultural settings and how that inspires us as we live out our lives. The questions being asked and answers given shows an ongoing development and growth in our gathering. Many showing tremendous growth and understanding over the past twelve months.



Men's Ministry

We have men's ministry on several fronts, including prayer meetings (Prayer in the Square) and social gatherings. Our annual Men's Conference – Arise Men, returned to Auchenfoyle Camp in June where we saw almost seventy men gather from different church backgrounds and traditions. Men gathered from as far apart as Fraserburgh, Dublin and even Warrington. We held several men's breakfast, inviting men from many partner churches and were delighted with ministry from men within our own fellowship.



Women's Ministry

Our women's ministry, headed up by Tracy Patterson, continues to thrive. With a smaller spring conference in church premises and the larger autumn weekend conference, they now see over seventy women in attendance, this has allowed us to raise up female leaders and provide a ministry platform and connection to other believers in a setting that would normally be denied women of a church as small as ours.

Annual Gala

Our annual gala returned to its Saturday afternoon time. Unfortunately, City Property deemed the Lochs Shopping Centre car park still not fit to hold a large-scale event so we were delighted to partner once again with Easterhouse Parish Church and held an event there with between 1000-1500 through the doors. It has also served annually as a great opportunity for individuals for other churches we partner with to learn to serve and support in such a large community event.

This year our volunteer pool of sixty was taken from across ten churches from afar afield as Dublin, Ireland. Serving the church's mission to be a testimony to the church at large.

Arise Christmas

We once again distributed meals through food parcels, alongside a significant provision of toys and gifts. We also distributed chocolate advent calendars around the doors. It was felt that this may be one thing many local families would sacrifice due to the cost of living crisis. This proved to be correct and they were greatly received around the doors. On the week leading up to Christmas we also distributed over 100 breakfast packs around the doors. As well as providing relief it also gave an opportunity for church congregants to grow in confidence on speaking to people and in evangelism.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The charity recorded total receipts of £47,956 for the year ended 31 March 2025 (2024: £41,450), reflecting an increase in giving and event-related income.

Total payments were £45,472 (£42,579 in 2024).

The Pastors of the church are self-funded, and therefore, there are no salary and wages payments.

The charity generated a net surplus of £2,484 (2024: deficit of £1,128), resulting in an improved year-end cash position. This reflects both increased income and continued cost management across the charity's activities.

"Travel" expenses of £8,356 (£9,660 in 2024) are reimbursements to the Pastor (who is not a Trustee) for ministry travel.

Outreach expenditure of £24,542 (2024: £17,372) reflects the continued expansion of "Arise Easterhouse" events and related ministry activities;

- "Arise Christmas"	£ 2,300	(£812 in 2023)
- "Arise Gala"	£ 6,223	(£7,903 in 2023)
- "Arise Women"	£14,647	(£9,355 in 2024)
- "Arise Men	£ 1,372	(£1,060 in 2023)
	£24,542	

Movement in funds;

	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	Movement in funds
Unrestricted				
General fund	31,430	20,930	(8,106)	2,484
Restricted				
Restricted (Arise events)	16,526	24,542	8,016	-
Total funds	£47,956	£45,472	-	2,484

There was no debt.

There were no grant applications.

Accounting policies: The historical cost convention and in accordance with the Charity SORP 2015 the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)

The financial effect of significant events: There were no significant events during the financial period other than holding "Arise Easterhouse". However, this event is fully funded and planned to ensure that the charity remains in a positive cash flow situation.

Investment policy & objectives set: There are no invest funds available as all funds are spent on the local community in line with the Charity's objectives. Objectives for the next financial year are to continue to grow the church by continuing to engage with volunteers, the community by community events and maintenance of the charity's assets.

Charity's policy on reserves: The Trustees have set a reserves policy of maintaining a minimum balance of £500 to meet short-term contingencies. At the year end, the charity held cash balances of £3,106, which is above this minimum and provides a modest level of financial resilience.

Going Concern: Subsequent to the financial year ended 31 March 2025, the Trustees have reviewed the future of Easterhouse Community Church and its ongoing operations.

The Church intends to cease its activities and, following completion of the financial statements and Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2026, commence the formal winding-up process, subject to the necessary approval of the Church membership and consent from the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR).

The Trustees will ensure that all outstanding liabilities are addressed and that any remaining charitable assets are distributed in accordance with the Church's governing document and applicable charity legislation.

The financial statements have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis in accordance with Scottish charity accounting requirements.

Statement of disclosure of the Independent Examination: In so far as the Trustees are aware at the time of approving our Trustee's annual report, there is no relevant information, being information needed by the Independent Examiner in connection with preparing their report, of which the Independent Examiner is unaware.

Factors likely to affect financial performance or position going forward : There is no foreseeable event likely to affect the financial performance.

The Trustees believe that this report is a fair, balanced and an understandable review of the charity's structure, legal purposes, objectives and activities, financial performance & financial position.

The Charity Trustees declare that they have approved the report above. Signed on behalf of the Charity Trustees.



Signature:..... **Date** : 21st October 2026

Full Name : Maurice Logie Position : Trustee/Chair

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

TO THE TRUSTEES OF "ASSEMBLIES OF GOD, EASTERHOUSE"

Scottish Registered Charity SC042698

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2025 which are set out on pages 9 to 11.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Auditors

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) 2005 Act and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

Independent Examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention other than that discussed below.

1. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations

has not been met, or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

In the course of my examination, matters have come to my attention which should be drawn to the attention of the reader. The Charity did not adhere to clause six of its Trust Deed, which requires Trustees to meet a minimum of four times in any given year. In addition, the Annual General Meeting was not held within the required timeframe, resulting in a delay in the lodgement of the Trustee's Annual Report with OSCR. Furthermore, during the period under review, the number of serving Trustees fell below the minimum required under the Charity's constitution (refer section 8.1). However, this was rectified during the financial year. While these matters represent departures from the governing document and good governance practice, I note that the remaining Trustees are fully aware of these issues and are taking appropriate steps to rectify the position and restore compliance going forward.



Date : 23rd October 2026

Peter Hall
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Fellow Certified Public Accountant

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Statement of Receipts and Payments
For the 12 months ending 31st March 2025

	Unrestricted funds	**Restricted funds**	**2025 Total funds**	2024 Total funds	**Note**
	£	£	£	£	
Receipts from:					
Donations	31,430	16,526	47,956	41,450	1
Charitable Activities					
Other Trading Activities			-	-	
Investments					
Other			-	-	
Total	**31,430**	**16,526**	**47,956**	**41,450**	
Payments on:					
Raising Funds					
Charitable Activities	20,930	24,542	45,472	42,578	2
Other					
Total	**20,930**	**24,542**	**45,472**	**42,578**	
Net Receipts/(payments)	**10,500**	**(8,016)**	**2,484**	**(1,128)**	
Transfers between funds	(8,016)	8,016			
Reconciliation of funds					3
Total funds bought forward	622		622	**(1,128)**	
Total funds carried forward	3,106		**3,106**	**622**	

Notes to the Statement of Financial Activities		2025	2024	Note
Receipts				
Income from Donations & Legacies				
General donations	27,219			
Gifts	2,515			
Designated donations ("Arise")	16,526			
Tax reclaimed (Gift Aid)	1,196	**47,956**	**41,450**	1
Payments				
Expenditure on Charitable Activities				
All costs to further charity's aims	20,930			
Designated expenditure ("Arise")	24,542	**45,472**	**42,578**	2
Reconciliation of funds				
Bank of Scotland. Johnston		**3,106**	**622**	3

Statement of Balances	Unrestricted	Restricted	2025	2024
Cash & Bank balances at start of the year	622		622	1,750
Surplus/(deficit) shown	2,484		2,484	(1,128)
Cash & Bank balances at end of the year	**3,106**		**3,106**	**622**



Receipts & Payments for the financial year ending 31st March 2025

	General Funds	Restricted Funds	2025	2024
Receipts				
Donations Received - Non Gift Aid	16,599		16,599	**18,346**
Designated Donations - Arise		16,526	16,526	**11,482**
Gifts	2515		2,515	**100**
Tax reclaimed	1,196		1,196	**2,503**
Other Income	500		500	
Donations Received - Gift Aid	10,620		10,620	**9,019**
Total Receipts	**31,430**	**16,526**	**47,956**	**41,450**
Less: Payments				
Advertising				
Bank Charges				
Charitable Contributions				3,200
Cleaning	830		830	745
Computer Costs	390		390	
Conferences				50
Donations				
Honourarium	600		600	1,050
Insurance	558		558	551
Literature & Resources	94		94	51
Ministry Expenses				32
Missions	180		180	580
Office Supplies	32		32	88
Outreach Ministry & Hospitality	887		887	1,822
Outreach Work - Arise events		24,542	24,542	17,372
Printing	39		39	4
Professional Fees	1,080		1,080	970
Repairs and Maintenance	4,488		4,488	2,156
Software				
Subscriptions, Licenses & Fees	1,463		1,463	1,704
Telephone	732		732	1,343
Travelling	8,359		8,359	9,661
Utilities	1,200		1,200	1,200
Total Payments	**20,930**	**24,542**	**45,472**	**42,579**
Net Receipts (Payments)	10,499.6	(8,016)	2,484	(1,129)

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Media;

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Pastors Stuart & Tracy Patterson

Pastor Stuart Patterson is an Easterhouse local and was bought up in an era of gang violence and social upheaval. He was once part of the gang and drug culture until his life changed after meeting Jesus Christ. Since then, he has dedicated his life to doing all he can to bring the same hope he discovered to his beloved Easterhouse. He and Tracy started “Easterhouse Community Church” to bring a message of hope to the community. Their message is that there is always hope to change individual lives, and the Easterhouse community in a real and tangible way. Therefore, they run the annual “Arise Easterhouse” event in the carpark of Shandwick square which involve free food, singing, and other features in service to the local community. In addition, they run “Arise women” and “Arise Christmas”.

