TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

1. **CHARITY - LIVINGSTON (DEDRIDGE) CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES**

2. **ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2026.**

Legal and Administrative Information

3. The congregation is an unincorporated association registered in Scotland and it operates on the basis of a constitution adopted on 26 July 2007. (Revised June 2022)

4. Registered Charity No SCO01858

5. During the year, the Congregation has been administered by the following Trustees, being elders of the Congregation duly appointed pursuant to the directions of the Society and still serving at the date of this report.

   Chairman - D V McDiarmid
   Secretary – D Mykoliw
   Other Trustees. A Brash, P Dagnall, G Dickson, M Graham, I Hendry, F Lynass, B McCormack, S B McDiarmid, M McKinney, E Makowa, F R Millan, P O'Hara, K Robertson, T Thomson, E Rukanda, C Watson, N Millan, I Williams.
   (J Pinkett until April 2026, G Williams until January 2026, I Anyanwu until January 2026, G Watson until Sept 2025)

   New Trustees are selected by the existing Trustees from the congregation membership,following prayerful consideration of their spiritual qualifications in the light of the Bible.

6. The registered address of the Congregation is The Kingdom Hall, Appleton Parkway, Eliburn, Livingston. The mailing address is: - D M Mykoliw, 54 Talisman Rise, Dedridge, Livingston EH54 6PL

7. The Congregation's bank is Lloyds Bank, PO Box 1000, Andover, BX LT

8. At the end of the year, there were 137 active congregation members.

Objects and Activities.

9. The Constitution restricts the operation of the Congregation to religious purposes and limits the use of its assets to such purposes, these being the practice and advancement of Christianity founded on the Holy Bible.

During the year, the Congregation has achieved its objects and continued to pursue its purposes by holding regular twice-weekly meetings for public worship of God and Bible study. Further, most congregation members have assisted by sharing regularly in preaching the good news of God's Kingdom and teaching principles of Christian living, including respect for secular authority, persons and property; the maintenance of personal morality and family values; and other facets of practical Christianity.

Governance

10. The affairs of the congregation are managed by the Trustees who, as members of the charity, work closely together. Meetings to discuss financial matters are arranged whenever required, being included in the regular religious meetings of the Congregation. All major decisions are made by formal resolutions at meetings of Congregation members.

The Elders of the congregation are its Trustees and they are responsible to administer the congregation ensuring it has financial autonomy. Responsibilities include maintaining accounts records and having these reviewed by an individual meeting the legal criteria of an independent examiner. Expenditure, other than ordinary running costs, must be recommended by a quorum of the elders and approved by congregation resolution passed by a simple majority of a quorum of the congregation. The expense must be solely to advance the Objects of the congregation.

The Trustees and all other persons engaged in the activities of the Congregation have done so on an entirely voluntary unpaid basis, with only expenses incurred by a Trustee reimbursed when paid for personally on behalf of the Congregation. No remunerations were paid to Trustees, or any person connected to a Trustee.

Review of Year and Financial Developments

11. The Congregation is funded by voluntary donations made by Congregation members and others, supplemented by income from bank interest. Further, it is confirmed that the Congregation's accounts comply with the relevant statutory requirements.

Throughout the year, such funds have been used to provide facilities for the holding ofregular weekly meetings for worship and Bible Study. Donations have also been made towards the cost of circuit assemblies and other conventions held during the year. Funds have also been donated to assist other entities that support the activities of Jehovah's Witnesses.

Assets and Liabilities

12. At 30 September 2025 the total cash assets of the Congregation were as follows. Cash in Current Accounts £12,903.99 . These accounts were closed at the end of September as the Congregation entered into The Kingdom Hall Trust, with funds transferred to the Trust.

13. These funds are held for financing the future activities of the Congregation, including the improvement of accommodation for the holding of meetings for worship and Bible Study.

The Congregation meets in a Multi-Auditorium Kingdom Hall which is divided by means of acoustic screens which enables 3 separate Congregations to meet independently. Each Congregation has a responsibility for the upkeep and maintenance of the property.

At 31 March 2026, the Congregation had no liabilities other than the running costs of the Kingdom Hall.

Notable Receipts and Expenses

14. Of particular significance in the financial affairs of the Congregation during the year were - Grants totaling £18,780 were forwarded to IBSA (registered in Scotland Charity Reg. No SC046866) for use in the worldwide work. £10,653.60 was contributed toward the upkeep of the Kingdom Hall facility (Operating Committee). £6780 was spent on hiring coaches for the 2025 and 2026 Convention, however 66% was/will be recouped from Livingston Deans and Whitburn Congregations who share the expense.

Internal Controls

15. Proper controls and procedures are adhered to, so that the monthly financial reports made to the Trustees and the Congregation, accurately represent all transactions, are in balance and provide reasonable assurance that finances are being used for their intended purpose. A competent person checks the accounts on a quarterly basis. The result is announced to the Congregation.

Investment Policy

16. The Trustees have the power to invest in any way they see fit. However, having regard to the soundness of the financial institution and our Christian principles, any funds that may be needed in the short term will be invested on that basis.

Reserves Policy

17. The Charity has a consistent income base through donations from Congregation members, some of which is by tax-effective means. Based on this income, we can plan confidently with relatively small reserves. The policy is to ensure that we have free reserves on hand, not designated for specific purposes or otherwise committed, equivalent to not less than 3 months working expenditure. The current balance is equivalent to over four months. The balance is reviewed periodically, and excess funds are gifted to the Society by way of a resolution.

APPROVED by the Trustees of the charity on the 16th July 2026
and signed on their behalf by:

Signed ____________________

D M Mykoliw

Secretary and Trustee, on behalf of the Trustees.