

## The Union of Evangelical Churches

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**To:** all Handbook holders  
**From:** Howard  
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Dear Friends,

### **Trustee Directors**

The following section is to draw your attention to the requirements of a Trustee Director. Please put this complete document into the Handbook at section 6.

If you are a Senior Minister or Minister or Associate Minister, you are a Trustee Director of the Union of Evangelical Churches, a charitable company, registered at the Charity Commission and Companies' House.

If you are a Minister who has decided not to be a Trustee Director, a Church Worker or a Church Representative, then you are not a Trustee Director, and the following pages do not apply to you. However, it would be helpful for you to familiarise yourself with how the UEC operates as a charitable company.

The UEC holds an insurance policy covering the Trustee Directors for wilful or deliberate acts that break the law and other legal instruments. The UEC is also a limited company. However, it is in the best interests of all Trustee Directors, as well as the reputation of the UEC, that competence, discretion and transparency are uppermost in all our dealings with legal entities and the general public, on behalf of its work and ministry.

Pages of particular interest are:

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Yours sincerely in His service,

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