

UK Taxpayers Gift Aid Declaration

I want St Ebbe's PCC, Oxford, to treat all donations I make to it in the current tax year (6 April to 5 April) and thereafter as Gift Aid donations until I notify it otherwise. I confirm that I have paid or will pay an amount of income and/or capital gains tax for each tax year at least equal to the amount of tax that all the charities or Community Amateur Sports Clubs that I donate to will reclaim on my gifts for that tax year. I understand that other taxes such as VAT and Council Tax do not qualify. I understand St Ebbe's PCC will claim Gift Aid at the prevailing rate which is currently 25p of tax on every £1 that I give.

Title: _____ Full Name: _____

Address: _____

_____ Postcode: _____

Tel (Home): _____

Tel (Work): _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Gift Aid Declaration Notes:

1. This declaration relates to your own personal donations and tax affairs. If a spouse or other family member also gives to the church, he or she should complete a separate Declaration if appropriate. If you give from a joint bank account, please let us know whether the gift is made jointly or individually.
2. You may cancel this declaration at any time by notifying the Headington Financial Administrator. You must cancel it if you ever stop satisfying the tax condition set out in the declaration
3. As this declaration covers donations that you will make in the future, please notify us if you change your name or address while it is in force.
4. If you pay tax at the higher rate, you can claim further tax relief in your self-assessment tax return. The additional tax claimed back via a tax return can also be paid to any charity (including St Ebbe's) nominated by you.

You may complete this declaration whether or not you intend to give by standing order, so long as we can identify your donations as coming from you (i.e. your name is on any cheque, and any cash is in an envelope bearing your name).

Now...

Please return this form to the Headington Financial Administrator at the address overleaf, or place it, in a sealed envelope addressed to the Headington Financial Administrator, in the black postbox in the lobby.

Standing Order Form

Please return this form to the Headington Financial Administrator at the address given overleaf. Please do not send it directly to your bank. Kindly keep us informed if you ever intend to cancel or amend your standing order.

To the manager of: _____ (your Bank)

Bank's address: _____

_____ Postcode: _____

Please pay the sum of £ _____

(amount in words: _____ pounds)

on _____ / _____ / 20 _____

and on the same day of each

month quarter year thereafter

until further notice

from Sort Code: _____

Account number: _____

to Account name: St Ebbe's PCC (Headington)

Account address: CAF Bank, 25 Kings Hill Avenue, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent ME19 4JQ

Account number: **00022655**

Sort Code: **40-52-40**

This replaces all previous standing orders to this beneficiary.

Please credit any backdated payments.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Your name: _____

Your address: _____

_____ Postcode: _____

Your telephone: _____

Your email: _____

Reach out,
build up,
send out.

Giving

to support
the work of
St Ebbe's in
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Giving to support the ministry

Thank you for taking time to consider supporting the work of the congregations of St Ebbe's in Headington.

St Ebbe's is a community of Christian believers with one vision - to see God honoured. We work towards this vision through three areas of focus:

1. *Reaching out to share the Gospel with non-believers*
2. *Building up Christians through bible-based teaching*
3. *Sending out workers to serve Christ in other parts of the UK and the wider world*

The congregations in Headington support a variety of activities including work among children, students, the elderly, overseas partners ... and much else besides.

Since 2009, St Ebbe's in Headington has been financially independent from the city-centre congregations. We encourage all those who consider themselves committed members of St Ebbe's in Headington prayerfully to consider their response to the ongoing financial needs of the church. This leaflet is designed to help you think about why and how to do this.

A rough breakdown of our annual income and expenditure in Headington is shown in the charts overleaf.

Where does the money come from and how is it spent?

The large majority of our income comes from donations made by members of the Headington congregations or other well-wishers. Additional support for our work amongst students comes from an independent trust called the "Friends of St Ebbe's" (FOSE). Tax refunds from donations made under Gift Aid are another important source of income.

Our money gets spent across a range of ministries in ways and amounts that are monitored by the church Finance Group and the Headington Steering Group which are both subcommittees of the church's Parochial Church Council (PCC). The overall church accounts are published annually. These mechanisms ensure we remain accountable and help us do our best to honour God with the way in which our financial resources are spent.

Our highest area of expenditure is staffing costs, followed by payments to overseas and UK-based gospel partners and mission societies. All the staff in Headington are supported directly by the congregations (not through the Church of England). Buildings, activities and administration costs make up the balance of what we spend.

Biblical principles for giving

Christian giving has a number of features:

- It is **supernatural**: "*This grace of giving*" (2 Cor 8:9). We should ask God to spur us to give as He wants us to.
- It is **spontaneous**: "*Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion*" (2 Cor 9:7). We should give because we want to, not because we are told to or think we ought to.
- It is **sacrificial**: "*They gave as much as they were able, even beyond their ability*" (2 Cor 8:3). We should notice what we are giving because it contains an element of sacrifice.
- It is **systematic**: "*Each man should give what he has decided*" (2 Cor 9:7), "*each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with his income*" (1 Cor 16:2). We should put aside time to plan what and how we will give and avoid the "let's see what I have in my pocket today" syndrome.
- It is **symbolic**: "*... they gave themselves first to the Lord*" (2 Cor 8:5). Our giving should be a token of a life given wholly to Christ in response to his life given for us.

How can I give?

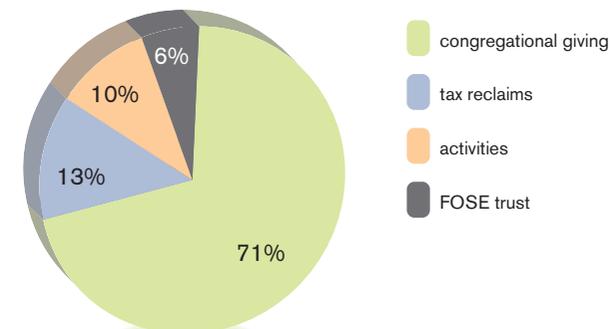
If you are a regular member of St Ebbe's in Headington, and are in a position to do so, the most helpful way to give is by standing order. This helps us to predict our future income levels, which in turn allows us to plan our expenditure appropriately. The back panels of this leaflet specify the information we need in order to ask your bank to set up a standing order.

If you wish to make a one-off donation to the work of St Ebbe's in Headington, this can be done by putting cash or a cheque – payable to 'St Ebbe's PCC (Headington)' – in the collection box, or by sending a cheque (no cash please) to the Headington Financial Administrator at the address given overleaf.

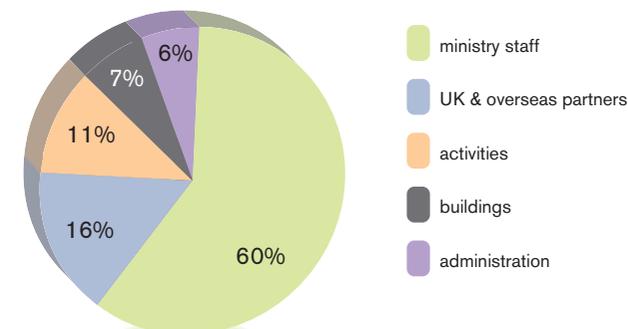
If you are a UK tax-payer, please also complete a Gift Aid declaration overleaf as this enables us to claim additional money from the government in respect of any standing order or one-off donations you make.

A number of people have generously remembered the work of St Ebbe's through legacies in their wills. Please contact the Headington Financial Administrator for more information on how to do this, or with enquires on any other financial matter.

Where does our income come from?



And where does it get spent?



Data Protection Notice

By returning the attached form you consent to our processing your personal data for the purposes of maintaining our accounts and records. Your information will be treated in the strictest confidence by any church staff, PCC members, Headington Steering Group members and Finance Group members to whom it is made available. It won't be shared with any third-party organisations other than the church auditors unless required by law. If you wish to see a copy of the information we hold about you or wish to have any inaccuracies corrected please contact the Headington Financial Administrator. Please let us know if you cease your involvement with St Ebbe's so that we can promptly delete any personal information we no longer need to hold.

Contact Details

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