THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF CHRIST CHURCH SIDCUP

England & Wales · Charity number 1127351

Details

Other names	CHRIST CHURCH SIDCUP PCC
Status	Registered
Legal form	Previously excepted
Registered	2008-12-31
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

Objects: Promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church.

Activities: Regular public worship open to all. Pastoral work, including visiting the sick and bereaved. Teaching of Christianity through sermons, courses and small groups. Promoting the whole mission of the Church through provision of activities for senior citizens, parents and toddlers and other youth groups inc. Boys Brigade, Brownies and Rainbows. Supporting other charities in the UK and overseas.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

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Geography

- **Area of benefit:** UNDEFINED. IN PRACTICE LOCAL
- Bexley

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£282,611	£267,549	-	-
2024-12-31	£325,427	£259,371	-	-
2023-12-31	£285,750	£263,225	-	-
2022-12-31	£250,690	£221,879	-	-
2021-12-31	£217,406	£267,129	-	-
2020-12-31	£182,814	£201,882	-	-

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Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ANDREW MARK YOUNG		
Alexandra Jane Hamblyn		2025-04-13
Alison Summers		2023-04-30
Bernerdine Igeoma Ekwere		2025-04-13
Carole Elizabeth Hazelgrove		2022-04-10
DAWN WATSON		2024-04-21
Daniel Beckley		2022-04-10
Diane McMahon		2023-04-30
Gregory Bertram Farrell		2021-05-10
JOHN STANLEY STEED		2024-04-21
Kevyn Oliver		2026-01-01
Pamela Ibe		2025-04-13
Paul Robert Atkinson		
Penelope Anita Dormer		2024-04-21
Robin Alexander Younghusband		2019-04-14
Stephen John Didsbury		2025-04-13

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Accounts

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Registered Charity No. 1127351

Christ Church Sidcup PCC

Annual Report

and

Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2025



Independent Examiner:
Sabrina Bridges
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The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Christ Church, Sidcup PCC Annual Report for 2025

Administrative information

Christ Church is situated in Christchurch Road, Sidcup. It is part of the Diocese of Rochester within the Church of England. The correspondence address is The Vicarage, 16 Christchurch Road, Sidcup, Kent DA15 7HE. Christ Church, Sidcup PCC is registered with the Charity Commission No. 1127351.

Objectives

Christ Church, Sidcup PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It also has maintenance responsibilities for the Church and Church Hall, Woodside Crescent, Sidcup. Further details are provided in Achievements and Performance later in this report.

PCC Membership

Members of the PCC are either ex officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules.

During the year the following served as members of the PCC:

Ex officio members:		
Incumbent:	In Vacancy	
Families Minister	Mr Kevyn Oliver	
Reader:	Mr Andrew Young	
Wardens:	Mr John Steed	Interim Chairman
	Mrs Diane McMahon	
Deanery Synod Representatives:		
	Mr Stephen England	Resigned 10/11/2025
	Mr Andrew Young	" " "
	Mr Stephen Didsbury	Until APCM 2026
Elected members:		
	Mr Paul Atkinson	Until APCM 2026
	Mr Greg Farrell	" " "
	Mrs Diane McMahon	" " "
	Mrs Alison Summers	" " "
	Ms Penny Dormer	Until APCM 2027
	Mrs Dawn Watson	" " "
	Mr Robin Younghusband	" " "
	Ms Pamela Ibe	" " "
	Mr Dan Beckley	Until APCM 2028
	Mr Stephen Didsbury	" " "
	Ms Burnie Ekwere	" " "
	Ms Alexandra Hamblyn	" " "
PCC Secretary	Mr Robin Younghusband	

PCC Committees

The PCC is assisted by three committees, which meet between full meetings of the PCC:

***Standing Committee*:**
This is the only committee required by law. It has power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the Council.

Mission Committee:
Attends to matters relating to the support of mission and relief agencies worldwide.

Fabric Committee:
Attends to matters relating to the stewardship of plant, such as the church buildings and fabric, the churchyard, the Vicarage and the Church Hall, Woodside Crescent, Sidcup

PCC Members are encouraged to develop their knowledge and understanding of the aims and objectives of the Church by also participating on one or more of the committees. Newly elected PCC members receive induction training according to their needs and previous experience with this or other charities.

Parochial Organisations

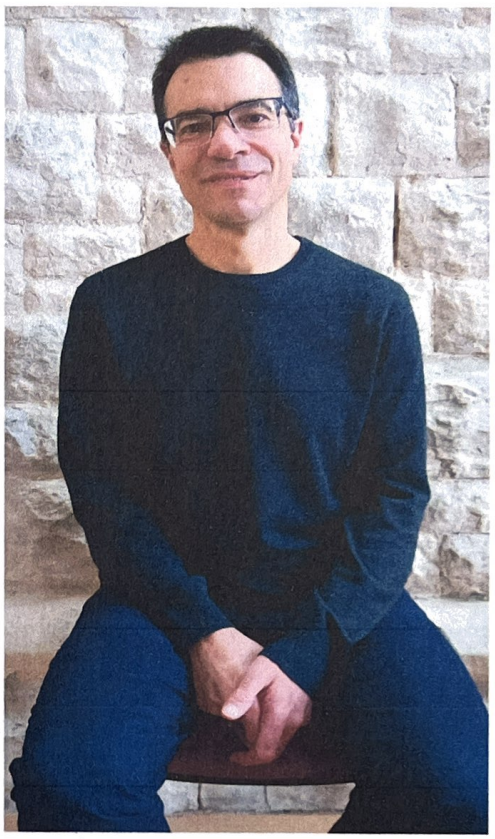
These accounts include the operation of Church Parochial Organisations that have their main allegiance to the PCC but which are managed independently by respective committees using facilities of the Church and Church Hall and have their accounts presented to the PCC on an annual basis.

The Parochial Organisations are:

Group Name	Audience	Meeting dates	Location
Mothers and Toddlers	0-5 & Carers	Thursday am term time	Church Hall
Tiny Tots	0-5 & Carers	Tuesday am term time	Church Hall
Christchurch Playgroup	Pre-School	Mon, Wed, Fri am term time	Church Hall
Boys Brigade	School Age	Fridays pm term time	Church Hall
Bumps and Babies	0-1 & Carers	Thursdays am weekly	West Wing
Contact Club	Over 60's	Tuesday am weekly	Fellowship Rooms

Achievements and Performance – Review of the year

The Christ Church community remained buoyant despite a number of changes during the year.



Our very able, clear Bible Teacher and Pastoral Vicar Rev. Tom Parsons, after a 3-month Sabbatical, decided the Lord was calling him to other forms of service. His last Sunday on 21st September was a time of mixed emotions.

The Church family are very grateful to Tom and his family for their ministry in different ways over the past 15 years. Not only has Tom been involved in may Church activities but Katie, his wife, and his sons William, Samuel and John have all shared in the Lord's work here in Sidcup in many ways.

Shortly after the departure of the Vicar, the Youth and Families Minister, Kevyn Oliver, announced that he had been offered a job with the Salvation Army. Fortunately, he is able to stay in Sidcup with his family and continue to Worship at Christ Church and undertake some of his former duties on a voluntary basis. We are particularly grateful for his continued leadership of Bubble Church, which started last year.

Bubble Church, which meets at 9.30am each Sunday, has continued to grow on an almost weekly basis. 19 families are currently registered, many of whom are new to the Christ Church family. We are also seeing new people, particularly at the 10.30am service, each Sunday.



Our prayer is that these newcomers will want to come regularly and become part of the Church family.

We are fortunate that we were able to offer Kevyn's wife Karine a part time role as Interim Children's Support Worker to undertake some of Kevyn's former duties and some other duties. A Girls Brigade Company has been started during the year which matches our Boy's Brigade Company which has been operating for many years.



As the Church is now in Vacancy the Parochial Church Council (PCC) has appointing two Parish Representatives, Robin Younghusband and Sam Maxwell to work with the Patron the Church Pastoral Aid Society (CPAS) and the Arch Deacon to advertise and Interview for a new Vicar. The congregation are encouraged to support the process in prayer and encouragement as the selection interview date nears.

On the 1st November 2025 the PCC undertook a very useful Away Day at the excellent Diocesan Retreat facility at West Malling which enabled the Parish Reps to produce a Parish Profile. CPAS will provide this profile to all the candidates before for their interview. A copy is available on the CPAS web site with the advert for the Vacancy.

The Church Wardens are very grateful for the Team of people within the Church Fellowship who continue the faithful Biblical ministry of Leading Worship and Preaching. We are also thankful for a number of visiting Clergy who Preach and celebrate Holy Communion.

The Church Wardens express their grateful appreciation for the vast number of Church members who continue the work of the Lord's ministry in Sidcup here at Christ Church in many different ways.

Church attendance

Every Six years the Church of England requires each church to prepare a completely new Church Electoral Roll. This was completed in 2025, so the current year updates the Roll for those known to join and leave.

The previous Roll contained 149 names. There were 10 new admissions to the Roll and 2 left. There are now 157 members on the Roll. The average Sunday attendance in the month of October, reported to the Diocese was 145 adults and 8 children under 16 years of age. This number increases at festivals.

Safeguarding

The PCC has complied with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 and its duty to have regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults. Our safeguarding work is led by Parish Safeguarding Officer Dawn Watson.

Financial review

Whilst we are in vacancy, some uncertainty will prevail. There is a risk, which we are looking to mitigate, that we will see an adverse effect on the finances of the church. However, we remain forever thankful for the generosity of the congregation who have supported Church general giving, the expansion of Bubble Church and the growth of all services during 2025. In that year, total regular planned giving including the value of tax credits was £152,664, (2024: £157,330).

A further fundraising total of £16,764 (2024: £48,372) was raised to support the replacement south roof and conclude payments on the earlier boiler replacement. Work has commenced in the current year and the project will ideally conclude before summer.



Collections through the plate remained strong at £9,357 (2024: £9,115) including the associated tax credit.

The Church benefitted from a legacy in the year amounting to £500 (2024 two legacies: £2,000). These occasional, one off gifts provide the PCC with additional financial resource to renovate aged equipment or invest in deepening our Ministry with target groups. The needs of the South Roof will draw from the accumulated legacy funds for the current year to December 2026.

Regular users are established in the Church Hall, West Wing and Fellowship rooms. Our Parochial organisations, Playgroup, Mothers & Toddlers, TOTS, Brownies, Boys Brigade, and Contact Club all make valuable contributions, together with commercial charges to external groups such as the New Eltham Dance School and Zumba Classes and the Inner Wheel and occasional hirers. Barclays bank moved their operation to St John's Church pending the opening of the banking hub in Sidcup. The Slimming World club operated from the West wing also ceased in early January 2025. The loss of income from these two

commercial organisations could not be replaced quickly. Consequently our Church and Hall letting income fell in the year to £18,680, (2024: £26,861).

Our Parochial Organisations continue to operate effectively. Numbers attending the Playgroup are rising. Having restructured the staffing some 18 months ago the finances of the organisation are recovering. The PCC remain reassured that each of the Parochial organisations has sufficient reserves to meet their liabilities and is able to continue operating effectively. The Parochial Organisations recorded a collective surplus of £13,832 for the year (2024: surplus £11,230).

Mission giving remains an important focus at Christ Church. Fundraising provided gifts of £11,825 (2024: £11,956). The Agencies and Charities in receipt of our support are disclosed on page 15 of these accounts.

Going Concern

After making appropriate enquiries the PCC has concluded that it has adequate resources to continue its activities for the foreseeable future. For this reason, it has continued to adopt the going concern basis for the preparation of these accounts.

Reserves policy

The PCC reviewed its reserves policy and has concluded that ideally undesignated unrestricted reserves should match the average value of unrestricted payments in a year. This will cover emergency situations that may arise and provide a sensible working capital for the needs of the PCC.

We are grateful to donors and fundraisers for the funds necessary to meet the balance of the boiler works that remained outstanding at the end of last year.

At the end of the current year general reserves, excluding the boiler deficit, remain at some 40% of that ideal target.

Designated reserves are set aside principally to meet repairs and improvements to the Church and Hall. These are reviewed on a 5-yearly basis in line with recommendations from the Diocesan Surveyor.

J.S. Steed

Approved on 9th March 2026 and signed by John Steed Interim Chairman of the PCC

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds Undesignated	Unrestricted Funds Designated	Restricted Fund	Total 2025	Total 2024
		£	£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES						
Voluntary income	2(a)	162,521	84,575	11,525	258,621	291,230
Activities for generating funds	2(b)	20,690	0	0	20,690	30,981
Income from investments	2(c)	2,026	1,274	0	3,300	3,216
Other incoming resources	2(d)	0	0	0	0	0
Total Incoming Resources		185,237	85,849	11,525	282,611	325,427
RESOURCES EXPENDED						
Church activities	3(a)	163,572	60,259	11,525	235,356	225,834
Church management and admin	3(b)	24,053	0	0	24,053	24,748
Cost of generating voluntary income	3(c)	8,140	0	0	8,140	8,789
Fund-raising trading costs		0	0	0	0	0
Total Resources Expended		195,765	60,259	11,525	267,549	259,371
Net Movement in Funds		(10,528)	25,590	0	15,062	66,056
Transfers between reserves		(7,019)	7,019	0	0	0
Movement for the Year		(17,547)	32,609	0	15,062	66,056
Balances B/F 01 January	8	78,667	104,475	1,125	184,267	118,211
Balances C/F 31 December	8	**61,120**	**137,084**	**1,125**	**199,329**	**184,267**

There are no gains or losses on investment assets and there has been no revaluation of fixed assets reported in these accounts.

The notes on pages 10 to 14 form part of this account

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Balance Sheet at 31 December 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible Assets	5	0	0
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	6(b)	8,647	13,402
Short term deposits	6(c)	144,441	148,422
Cash at bank and in hand	6(d)	59,463	52,613
		212,551	214,437
LIABILITIES			
Creditors - falling due in one year	7	(13,222)	(25,170)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		199,329	189,267
Creditors falling due after one year		0	(11,000)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		**199,329**	**178,267**
PARISH FUNDS	8		
Unrestricted - Undesignated General		45,077	63,124
Unrestricted - Undesignated Legacy		16,043	15,543
		61,120	78,667
Unrestricted - Designated Repair Funds		41,432	33,139
Unrestricted - Designated Church Boiler funds		0	(10,886)
Unrestricted - Designated Church Roof funds		44,472	44,874
Unrestricted - Parochial Organisations		51,180	37,348
		137,084	104,475
Restricted - Parish Hall Land		1,125	1,125
TOTAL FUNDS		**199,329**	**184,267**

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 9 March 2026 and signed on its behalf by:

John Steed - Church Warden

Diane McMahon - Church Warden

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The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2025

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Preparation of Accounts

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities published on 16 July 2014.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention using the accruals accounting basis. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in Law. They do not include the accounts of other church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

Funds

Unrestricted funds comprise all reserves other than those restricted funds. General funds and legacies can be used by the PCC for any purpose. Some unrestricted funds have a designated use for the repair of the Church or Church Hall or by the Parochial Organisations. The PCC has additionally designated a building fund for the West Wing Annexe. The restricted fund has arisen following the sale of a small parcel of land adjacent to the Church Hall.

Incoming Resources

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received. Tax funds are recognised when the incoming resources to which they relate is received. Interest is accrued. All other income is recognised when it is receivable. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

Resources Expended

Amounts received specifically for mission are dealt with as restricted funds. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Going Concern

The PCC assess whether the use of going concern in the preparation of these accounts is still appropriate. The PCC assess whether there are material risks, uncertainties, events or conditions that cast significant doubt on the ability of the PCC to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives and meet its liabilities as they fall due as a going concern. The PCC make this assessment for a period of 1 year from the date of approval of these accounts.

Fixed Assets

Consecrated and benefice property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by s.96(2)(a) of the Charities Act 1993. Major new equipment purchased for use within the Church and Hall is depreciated on a straight line basis over 4 years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £5,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2025

2. INCOMING RESOURCES	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted	Total	Total
	Undesignated	Designated	Fund	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£	£
2(a) Voluntary income					
Planned giving: Gift aid donations	109,466			109,466	112,565
Tax recoverable	26,092	1,775		27,867	31,438
Other	15,177			15,177	17,450
Collections on the plate inc GASDS	11,286			11,286	9,115
Donations and appeals		14,988		14,988	44,249
Legacies	500			500	2,000
Mission gift days and other giving			9,925	9,925	11,706
Parochial organisations general		67,812	1,600	69,412	62,707
Voluntary Income 2025	**162,521**	**84,575**	**11,525**	**258,621**	**291,230**
Voluntary income 2024	*168,445*	*110,829*	*11,956*	*291,230*	
2(b) Activities for generating funds					
Church fees	250			250	1,979
Ministry fees	1,212			1,212	1,321
Church hall and fellowship room lettings	18,680			18,680	26,861
Sundry income	548			548	820
Activities generating funds 2025	**20,690**	**0**	**0**	**20,690**	**30,981**
Activities generating funds 2024	*30,981*	*0*	*0*	*30,981*	
2(c) Income from investments					
Interest receivable 2025	**2,026**	**1,274**		**3,300**	**3,216**
Interest receivable 2024	*1,972*	*1,244*		*3,216*	
2(d) Other income 2025				**0**	**0**
Other income 2024	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	
Total Incoming Resources 2025	**185,237**	**85,849**	**11,525**	**282,611**	**325,427**
Total Incoming Resources 2024	*201,398*	*112,073*	*11,956*	*325,427*	

3. RESOURCES EXPENDED	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted	Total	Total
	Undesignated	Designated	Fund	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£	£
3(a) Church activities					
Ministry costs	50,087			50,087	49,457
Parish share	84,575			84,575	82,176
Church running expenses	14,620			14,620	16,657
Other church maintenance	4,635	6,279		10,914	6,118
Upkeep of services	5,271			5,271	3,183
Contact magazine & website	517			517	0
Support groups & Outreach	3,313			3,313	4,676
Subscriptions	50			50	60
Sundries	204			204	24
Misionary giving and grants	300		9,925	10,225	12,256
Parochial organisations general		53,980	1,600	55,580	51,227
Church activities 2024	**163,572**	**60,259**	**11,525**	**235,356**	**225,834**
Church activities 2023	*162,651*	*51,227*	*11,956*	*225,834*	

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3. RESOURCES EXPENDED	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted	Total	Total
	Undesignated	Designated	Fund	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£	£
3(b) Church management					
Administrator	21,380			21,380	20,089
Printing and photocopying	2,673			2,673	4,659
Bank and other sundry charges				0	0
Church management 2025	**24,053**	**0**	**0**	**24,053**	**24,748**
Church management 2024	*24,748*	*0*	*0*	*24,748*	
3(c) Cost of generating voluntary income					
Hall running costs	7,967			7,967	8,101
Other hall maintenance	173			173	688
Cost of generating income 2025	**8,140**	**0**	**0**	**8,140**	**8,789**
Cost of generating income 2024	*8,789*	*0*	*0*	*8,789*	
3(d) Fund raising costs	0			0	0
Total Resources Expended 2025	**195,765**	**60,259**	**11,525**	**267,549**	**259,371**
Total Resources Expended 2024	*196,188*	*51,227*	*11,956*	*259,371*	

4 STAFF COSTS	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted	Total	Total
	Undesignated	Designated	Fund	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£	£
4(a) Wages and salaries					
Gross payments	65,033	32,126	0	97,159	92,042
Social security costs				0	0
Employers Stakeholder pension	1,268	130		1,398	1,395
Wages & Salaries 2025	**66,301**	**32,256**	**0**	**98,557**	**93,437**
Wages & Salaries 2024	*64,090*	*29,347*	*0*	*93,437*	
Church					
Families and Youth Minister	33,975			33,975	34,500
Coordinator	20,775			20,775	19,725
Verger	7,065			7,065	6,690
Hall Cleaners & Caretaker	1,360			1,360	1,290
Occasional Organists	610			610	600
Childrens' Worker	1,248			1,248	0
Parochial Organisations					
Playgroup leaders		32,126		32,126	29,237
	65,033	32,126	0	97,159	92,042

During the year our Coordinator managed the Church, a Cleaner and a Caretaker managed the hall, an Organist conducted occasional duties. Employer social security costs did not reach the de-minimis level to require payment for the year.

An Ofsted registered Playgroup, a Mothers and Toddlers group and a Tots group operate from the church hall. These Parochial Organisations employed 5 part time Playgroup leaders. No payment to an employee was large enough to attract employer social security costs. Together these employees amount to approximately 2 full time employee.

Atkinsons Electrical contractors completed lighting improvements at the church during the year costing £1,003.

Expenses of £388 (2024: £732) were reimbursed to the Incumbent for telecoms, books, travelling and church resources. Expenses and reimbursements of £1,875 (2024: £1,389) were made to the Youth Minister for books,telecoms, travelling and church resources. No payment of fees or expenses were made to PCC Members, or persons closely connected with them or to any related parties, for their services as PCC charity Trustees.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2025

5 FIXED ASSETS	2025 £	2024 £
5(a) Tangible assets		
Freehold land and buildings		
Cost / valuation		
As at 1 January	357,856	357,856
Additions (disposals)	0	0
As at 31 December	357,856	357,856
Depreciation		
As at 1 January	357,856	357,856
Charge (released on disposals)	0	0
As at 31 December	357,856	357,856
Net book values		
As at 31 December	0	0

The freehold land and buildings comprise the Church Hall, Woodside Crescent, Sidcup. The book value is an amount estimated by the PCC as at 25 December 2000, for insurance purposes and has been fully depreciated.

6 CURRENT ASSETS	2025 £	2024 £
6(b) Debtors		
Tax recoverable	7,331	8,363
Other debtors	681	3,623
Prepayments	635	1,391
Parochial Organisation Other debtors	0	25
Total debtors	**8,647**	**13,402**

	2025 £	2024 £
6(c) Short term deposits		
Diocese of Rochester accounts		
General loan account	25,374	24,491
Legacy account	21,122	20,426
Sale of Parish Hall land	1,125	1,125
Church repair account	40,940	33,877
Hall repair account	8,169	6,939
	96,730	86,858
Santander deposit account	47,711	61,564
Total short term deposits	**144,441**	**148,422**

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	2025	2024
	£	£
6(d) Cash at bank and in hand		
Santander - current account	(1,951)	5,834
Santander - gift aid account	3,659	726
Commercial Banks - parochial organisations	57,755	46,053
	59,463	**52,613**

	2025	2024
7 CURRENT LIABILITIES	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year		
Sundry creditors	2,296	1,539
Accruals	4,351	6,400
Boiler loan repayable	0	6,000
Parochial Organisation & fees in advance	6,575	11,231
	13,222	**25,170**

8 FUNDS

	Balance at 1 January	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Reserves Transfers	Balance at 31 December
	£	£	£	£	£
8(a) Undesignated un-restricted reserves					
General reserves	63,124	184,737	(195,765)	(7,019)	45,077
Legacy reserves	15,543	500	0	0	16,043
	78,667	185,237	(195,765)	(7,019)	61,120
8(b) Designated un-restricted reserves					
Church repair reserves	25,732	1,063	0	6,000	32,795
Church hall repair reserves	7,407	211	0	1,019	8,637
Church boiler fund reserves	(10,886)	10,886	0	0	0
Church south roof fund reserve	44,874	5,877	(6,279)	0	44,472
Parochial organisations reserves	37,348	67,812	(53,980)	0	51,180
Balance at 31 December	104,475	85,849	(60,259)	7,019	137,084
8(c) Restricted reserves					
Mission giving	0	11,525	(11,525)	0	0
Sale of Hall Land reserve	1,125	0	0	0	1,125
Total Reserves	184,267	282,611	(267,549)	0	199,329

9 FUNDS HELD AS CUSTODIAN TRUSTEE

Christ Church PCC does not hold any funds as a "Custodian Trustee" on behalf ao any other Individual, Company or Organisation.

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees - The PCC of Christ Church Sidcup Charity Number 1127351

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above named charity for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Respective Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the charity's Trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requitements of the Charities Act 2011. (the Act)

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charities Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake this examination by being aqualified member of the Association of Accounting Technicians (AAT)

I have completed the requisite examination.
I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with my examination which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

BRIDGES

Ms Sabrina Bridges
09 March 2026

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Mission & Charity Giving Analysed

	2025 £	2024 £
Overseas Agencies		
Crosslinks	2,200	2,640
Bible Society	1,400	1,950
Christian Solidarity Worldwide	0	250
Frontiers	1,130	0
Meninadanca	520	0
Transform Salone	25	0
	5,275	4,840
Home Agencies		
Church Pastoral Aid Society	1,525	2,480
Lark in the Park	730	1,165
CRIBS	730	1,155
Home 4 Good	500	955
	3,485	5,755
Other Charities		
Diabetes UK	1,350	0
Macmillan Nurses	250	250
UK Cost of living support payments	500	500
Evergreen Care Bexley	0	611
Mind for Bexley	610	0
Save the Children	55	0
	2,765	1,361
Total Mission Giving	**11,525**	**11,956**
Grants by the PCC		
Evangelical Alliance	150	150
Hope and Poverty	150	150
	300	300
Grand Total	**11,825**	**12,256**

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF CHRIST CHURCH SIDCUP

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Accounts

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Registered Charity No. 1127351

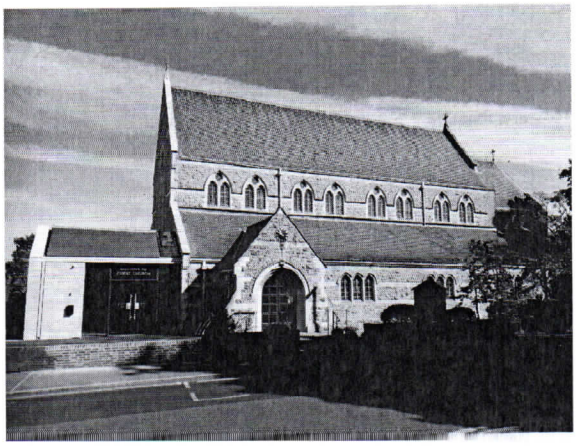
Christ Church Sidcup PCC

Annual Report

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Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2024



Independent Examiner:
Sabrina Bridges
86 Ferry Road
Hullbridge
Essex

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Christ Church, Sidcup PCC Annual Report for 2024

Administrative information

Christ Church is situated in Christchurch Road, Sidcup. It is part of the Diocese of Rochester within the Church of England. The correspondence address is The Vicarage, 16 Christchurch Road, Sidcup, Kent DA15 7HE. Christ Church, Sidcup PCC is registered with the Charity Commission No. 1127351.

Objectives

Christ Church, Sidcup PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Rev Thomas Parsons, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It also has maintenance responsibilities for the Church and Church Hall, Woodside Crescent, Sidcup. Further details are provided in Achievements and Performance later in this report.

PCC Membership

Members of the PCC are either ex officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules.

During the year the following served as members of the PCC:

Ex officio members:		
Incumbent:	The Rev Thomas Parsons	Chairman
Families Minister	Mr Kevyn Oliver	
Reader:	Mr Andrew Young	
Wardens:	Mr Tom McMahon	
	Mr John Steed	
Deanery Synod Representatives:		
	Mr Stephen England	Until APCM 2026
	Mr Andrew Young	" " "
Elected members:		
	Mr Daniel Beckley	Until APCM 2025
	Mr Stan Codling	" " "
	Ms Carole Hazelgrove	" " "
	Ms Desi Lambina	Resigned 19/11/2024
	Mr Paul Atkinson	Until APCM 2026
	Mr Greg Farrell	" " "
	Mrs Diane McMahon	" " "
	Mrs Alison Summers	" " "
	Mrs Caroline Bunting	Resigned 25/10/2024
	Ms Penny Dormer	Until APCM 2027
	Mrs Dawn Watson	" " "
	Mr Robin Younghusband	" " "
PCC Secretary	Mr Robin Younghusband	

PCC Committees

The PCC is assisted by three committees, which meet between full meetings of the PCC:

***Standing Committee*:**
This is the only committee required by law. It has power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the Council.

Mission Committee:
Attends to matters relating to the support of mission and relief agencies worldwide.

Fabric Committee:
Attends to matters relating to the stewardship of plant, such as the church buildings and fabric, the churchyard, the Vicarage and the Church Hall, Woodside Crescent, Sidcup

PCC Members are encouraged to develop their knowledge and understanding of the aims and objectives of the Church by also participating on one or more of the committees. Newly elected PCC members receive induction training according to their needs and previous experience with this or other charities.

Parochial Organisations

These accounts include the operation of Church Parochial Organisations that have their main allegiance to the PCC but which are managed independently by respective committees using facilities of the Church and Church Hall and have their accounts presented to the PCC on an annual basis.

The Parochial Organisations are:

Group Name	Audience	Meeting dates	Location
Mothers and Toddlers	0-5 & Carers	Thursday am term time	Church Hall
Tiny Tots	0-5 & Carers	Tuesday am term time	Church Hall
Christchurch Playgroup	Pre-School	Mon, Wed, Fri am term time	Church Hall
Boys Brigade	School Age	Fridays pm term time	Church Hall
Bumps and Babies	0-1 & Carers	Thursdays am weekly	West Wing
Contact Club	Over 60's	Tuesday am weekly	Fellowship Rooms

Achievements and Performance – Review of the year

The Christ Church community was buoyant with life throughout 2024, and we ended the year with a Christmas celebration that capped a sense that there is healthy growth on many fronts.

It has been encouraging to welcome a good number of university age students and other young adults into the church family. This is something we have wanted to do for a long time, and it has now happened. We have set up a regular student lunch and Bible study and hope to build on this in the years to come.

All three Sunday services have seen a steady increase in numbers in attendance. This is very positive, although it doesn't yet tell the full story. The undefinable but unmistakable sense of spiritual life that many experience in the services is the more valuable than numbers.

It was also encouraging to see marked growth during the year in the weekday children's and young people's groups, especially in Tiny Tots, Mums and Toddlers and the Christ Church Playgroup. We hope build on this in 2025 when we start up Bubble Church.

As always, Lent was a significant time in the church year. As in previous years, we were able to use our facilities to host the Churches Together in Sidcup Lent Lunches. This is a valuable opportunity to draw member of all the churches in Sidcup together.

For our Lent Course this year we were pleased to welcome Geoff and Caroline Shave. The Shaves lead the church connections arm of Agape. They took us through the excellent evangelism training contained in Agape's the Living and Telling course.

Shortly before Easter we again hosted an evangelistic event at Limoncello. The speaker for the evening was Judge David Turner KC. He addressed a packed restaurant, many church members having invited family members and friends to enjoy the evening.

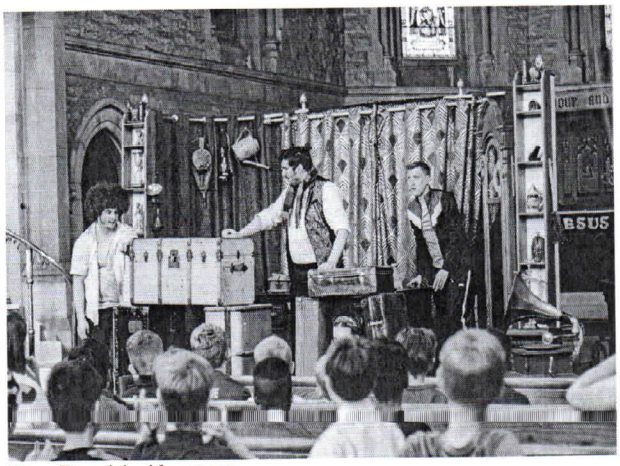
The festivals of Christmas and Easter are always very special at Christ Church. The choir significantly contributes to this, led very ably by Helen Evans. Perhaps the highlight of Easter this year, however, was the baptism of Annemarie in the Easter Sunday morning service.


Annemarie giving her testimony

Annemarie's story with Christ Church provides a snapshot of many of the strengths of our community life. She contacted the church through the website, reaching out for some pastoral support during her serious illness. This led to her coming to faith and receiving support and many visits from church members. Eventually, once she was well enough to make it to services, she was befriended and supported practically by a handful of loving friends. In turn, she left a lasting impact on their lives. She died in July, leaving a significant hole in a community she had, after all, only been part of for a

short time. The richness of this experience can't be measured by any church statistics, but it gets to the heart of what we most value and aspire to be as a church family.

Two outstanding events of the early summer were both held at the initiative of Kevyn Oliver, our Children, Youth and Families Minister. Walk Through the Bible is a ministry devoted to teaching the outline of the Bible's story through actions. In May, around 50 members of Christ Church, and other local churches, experienced a Walk Through the Old Testament.


The Parable Keepers

In June, we welcomed 4Front Theatre to Christ Church. They brought to us their production The Parable Keepers. Aimed especially at children, and enjoyed by all ages, the presentation brought Jesus' parables memorably to life.

A summer highlight was the church BBQ, held in the Vicarage garden in late June. The weather was perfect for the occasion, and it was a joyful time together, with around 100 in attendance.

In September we invited Adam Curtis, our former Curate, to speak on our church day away. It was a wonderful day at St Nicholas' Church, Sevenoaks. Adam spoke on Paul's letter to the Romans. Around 90 church members attended the day, a record.

November's Annual Service of Thanksgiving took place again this year. As usual, all those who have had a family funeral in the past two or three years are invited to give thanks for, and to remember, their loved ones. The service itself is an important point in the church's year. This one event also represents the ministry of pastoral offices that take place throughout the year.

This year we have been privileged to minister to around 12 families through funeral ministry. There have been several baptisms and two weddings, at which at least one marriage partner was a member of the church. These were both uplifting occasions.

One harder aspect of 2024 was the departure, thought relocation, of some families who had been core members of our children and youth ministry. This left us praying hard for God to regrow the Sunday children's groups. Even by the close of the year, these prayers were beginning to receive an answer.


I Can't Wait for Christmas 2024: Bananas in Pajamas

In particular, the Christmas events for children and young people were exceptionally well attended. The Puppet Nativity and I Can't Wait for Christmas saw more families in attendance than in previous years. It was

particularly encouraging to observe how many of those families had connections to other Christ Church groups: Boys Brigade, Bumps and Babies and the toddler groups.



Leigh Evans on window cleaning duty.

All this activity in church life involves enormous commitment from many people. Kelly Newman, our Church Coordinator is often at the heart of what's going on, and we are all grateful to her, and to our staff Verger, Leigh Evans.

Our Church Wardens and Treasurer work incredibly hard, but as key office holders they are only the most prominent among an army of committed, able and faithful servants of Jesus who are giving themselves in love for Christ and for people.

As we reflect on 2024 – as ever, a year with challenges too – we can look around at what's happening and reflect that it is a privilege to be part of it.

Church attendance

Every Six years the Church of England requires each church to completely new Church Electoral Roll to be prepared. This is such a year.

The previous Roll contained 156 names. The New roll contains 149 names of which 51 live in the Parish and 98 live outside the Parish. The average weekly attendance at services during October was 152 aged over 16 and 21 under 16. This number increases at festivals.

Safeguarding

The PCC has complied with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 and its duty to have regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults. Our safeguarding work is led by Parish Safeguarding Officer Dawn Watson.

Financial review

We remain forever thankful for the generosity of the congregation. This year, total regular planned giving including the value of tax credits was £157,330, (2023: £149,371). This rise follows the welcome growth in church attendance, linked more individuals choosing regular contributions by way of standing order, routine bank transfer, payment via Stewardship, Charities Trust or Charities Aid Foundation and not forgetting increased use of the card terminal.

Designated contributions to support the installation of a new boiler in Church amounted to £3,498 (2023: £7,006) with a further £44,873 raised, since launching in June, to replace the lower south roof.

Collections through the plate increased to £9,115 (2023: £8,312) including the associated tax credit.

The Church benefitted from two legacies in the year amounting to £2,000. These occasional, one off gifts provide the PCC with additional financial resource to renovate aged equipment or invest in deepening our Ministry with target groups. The strength of general giving in the financial year has enabled the PCC to defer any allocation from the legacy funds for the time being.

Regular users are established in the Church Hall, West Wing and Fellowship rooms. Our Parochial organisations, Playgroup, Mothers & Toddlers, TOTS, Brownies, Boys Brigade, and Contact Club all make valuable contributions, together with external groups like the New Eltham Dance School, Zumba, Slimming World and Barclays Bank.

Added to those, there are numerous occasional bookings for meetings or training and party hire. Together we have benefitted by £26,861 (2023: £25,236)

Our Parochial Organisations continue to operate effectively. Numbers attending the Playgroup are rising. Having restructured the staffing some 18 months ago the finances of the organisation are recovering. The PCC remain reassured that each of the Parochial organisations has sufficient reserves to meet their liabilities and is able to continue operating effectively. The Parochial Organisations recorded a collective £11,230 surplus for the year (2023: deficit of £793).

Mission giving remains an important focus at Christ Church. Fundraising provided gifts of £11,956 (2023: £11,739). The Agencies and Charities in receipt of our support are disclosed on page 15 of these accounts.

At the end of December 2024, a total of £11,000, from the original loan to install the boiler, remains to be repaid over the next 2 years and we will continue with specific fundraising and appeals in order to lessen any draw upon general or legacy reserves.

Going Concern

After making appropriate enquiries the PCC has concluded that it has adequate resources to continue its activities for the foreseeable future. For this reason, it has continued to adopt the going concern basis for the preparation of these accounts.

Reserves policy

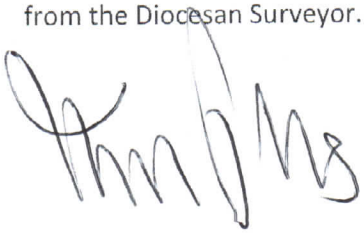
The PCC reviewed its reserves policy and has concluded that ideally undesignated unrestricted reserves should match the average value of unrestricted payments in a year.

This will cover emergency situations that may arise and provide a sensible working capital for the needs of the PCC.

By completing the boiler works ahead of receiving funding there is a short term adverse reserve of £10,886 (2023: £14,384) for which future fundraising will be needed to bring this project back into balance.

At the end of the current year general reserves, excluding the boiler deficit, remain at some 42% of that ideal target.

Designated reserves are set aside principally to meet repairs and improvements to the Church and Hall. These are reviewed on a 5-yearly basis in line with recommendations from the Diocesan Surveyor.



Approved by the PCC on 10th March 2025 and signed on their behalf by Tom Parsons Vicar.

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds Undesignated	Designated	Restricted Fund	Total 2024	Total 2023
		£	£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES						
Voluntary income	2(a)	168,445	110,829	11,956	291,230	244,139
Activities for generating funds	2(b)	30,981	0	0	30,981	33,284
Income from investments	2(c)	1,972	1,244	0	3,216	2,239
Other incoming resources	2(d)	0	0	0	0	6,088
Total Incoming Resources		201,398	112,073	11,956	325,427	285,750
RESOURCES EXPENDED						
Church activities	3(a)	162,651	51,227	11,956	225,834	230,571
Church management and admin	3(b)	24,748	0	0	24,748	20,666
Cost of generating voluntary income	3(c)	8,789	0	0	8,789	11,988
Fund-raising trading costs		0	0	0	0	0
Total Resources Expended		196,188	51,227	11,956	259,371	263,225
Net Movement in Funds		5,210	60,846	0	66,056	22,525
Transfers between reserves		(7,019)	7,019	0	0	0
Movement for the Year		(1,809)	67,865	0	66,056	22,525
Balances B/F 01 January	8	80,476	36,610	1,125	118,211	95,686
Balances C/F 31 December	8	**78,667**	**104,475**	**1,125**	**184,267**	**118,211**

There are no gains or losses on investment assets and there has been no revaluation of fixed assets reported in these accounts.

The notes on pages 10 to 14 form part of this account

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Balance Sheet at 31 December 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible Assets	5	0	0
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	6(b)	13,402	9,619
Short term deposits	6(c)	148,422	102,387
Cash at bank and in hand	6(d)	52,613	31,598
		214,437	143,604
LIABILITIES			
Creditors - falling due in one year	7	(25,170)	(14,393)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		189,267	129,211
Creditors falling due after one year		(5,000)	(11,000)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		**184,267**	**118,211**
PARISH FUNDS	8		
Unrestricted - Undesignated General		63,124	66,933
Unrestricted - Undesignated Legacy		15,543	13,543
		78,667	80,476
Unrestricted - Designated Repair Funds		33,139	24,876
Unrestricted - Designated Church Boiler funds		(10,886)	(14,384)
Unrestricted - Designated Church Roof funds		44,874	0
Unrestricted - Parochial Organisations		37,348	26,118
		104,475	36,610
Restricted - Parish Hall Land		1,125	1,125
TOTAL FUNDS		**184,267**	**118,211**

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 10 March 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

Rev. Tom Parsons - Vicar

Tom McMahon - Church Warden

The notes on pages 10 to 14 form part of this account

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2024

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Preparation of Accounts

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities published on 16 July 2014.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention using the accruals accounting basis. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in Law. They do not include the accounts of other church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

Funds

Unrestricted funds comprise all reserves other than those restricted funds. General funds and legacies can be used by the PCC for any purpose. Some unrestricted funds have a designated use for the repair of the Church or Church Hall or by the Parochial Organisations. The PCC has additionally designated a building fund for the West Wing Annexe. The restricted fund has arisen following the sale of a small parcel of land adjacent to the Church Hall.

Incoming Resources

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received. Tax funds are recognised when the incomin resources to which they relate is received. Interest is accrued. All other income is recognised when it is receivable. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

Resources Expended

Amounts received specifically for mission are dealt with as restricted funds. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Going Concern

The PCC assess whether the use of going concern in the preparation of these accounts is still appropriate. The PCC assess whether there are material risks, uncertainties, events or conditions that cast significant doubt on the ability of the PCC to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives and meet its liabilities as they fall due as a going concern. The PCC make this assessment for a period of 1 year from the date of approval of these accounts.

Fixed Assets

Consecrated and benefice property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by s.96(2)(a) of the Charities Act 1993. Major new equipment purchased for use within the Church and Hall is depreciated on a straight line basis over 4 years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £5,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2024

2. INCOMING RESOURCES	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted	Total	Total
	Undesignated	Designated	Fund	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£	£
2(a) Voluntary income					
Planned giving: Gift aid donations	112,565			112,565	111,851
Tax recoverable	27,315	4,123		31,438	26,248
Other	17,450			17,450	11,272
Collections on the plate inc GASDS	9,115			9,115	8,312
Donations and appeals		44,249		44,249	7,006
Legacies	2,000			2,000	15,500
Mission gift days and other giving			11,706	11,706	9,969
Parochial organisations general		62,457	250	62,707	53,981
Voluntary Income 2024	**168,445**	**110,829**	**11,956**	**291,230**	**244,139**
Voluntary income 2023	*173,183*	*59,217*	*11,739*	*244,139*	
2(b) Activities for generating funds					
Church fees	1,979			1,979	2,476
Ministry fees	1,321			1,321	2,284
Church hall and fellowship room lettings	26,861			26,861	25,236
Sundry income	820			820	3,288
Activities generating funds 2024	**30,981**	**0**	**0**	**30,981**	**33,284**
Activities generating funds 2023	*33,284*	*0*	*0*	*33,284*	
2(c) Income from investments					
Interest receivable 2024	**1,972**	**1,244**		**3,216**	**2,239**
Interest receivable 2023	*1,412*	*827*		*2,239*	
2(d) Other income 2024				**0**	**6,088**
Other income 2023		*6,088*		*6,088*	
Total Incoming Resources 2024	**201,398**	**112,073**	**11,956**	**325,427**	**285,750**
Total Incoming Resources 2023	*207,879*	*66,132*	*11,739*	*285,750*	

3. RESOURCES EXPENDED	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted	Total	Total
	Undesignated	Designated	Fund	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£	£
3(a) Church activities					
Ministry costs	49,457			49,457	55,883
Parish share	82,176			82,176	78,176
Church running expenses	16,657			16,657	17,231
Other church maintenance	6,118			6,118	3,442
Upkeep of services	3,183			3,183	3,802
Contact magazine & website	0			0	763
Support groups & Outreach	4,676			4,676	6,057
Subscriptions	60			60	147
Sundries	24			24	23
Misionary giving and grants	300		11,706	12,006	10,269
Parochial organisations general		51,227	250	51,477	54,778
Church activities 2024	**162,651**	**51,227**	**11,956**	**225,834**	**230,571**
Church activities 2023	159,736	59,096	11,739	230,571	

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2024

3. RESOURCES EXPENDED	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted	Total	Total
	Undesignated	Designated	Fund	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£	£
3(b) Church management					
Administrator	20,089			20,089	18,693
Printing and photocopying	4,659			4,659	1,973
Bank and other sundry charges				0	0
Church management 2024	**24,748**	**0**	**0**	**24,748**	**20,666**
Church management 2023	*20,666*	*0*	*0*	*20,666*	
3(c) Cost of generating voluntary income					
Hall running costs	8,101			8,101	11,155
Other hall maintenance	688			688	833
Cost of generating income 2024	**8,789**	**0**	**0**	**8,789**	**11,988**
Cost of generating income 2023	*11,988*	*0*	*0*	*11,988*	
3(d) Fund raising costs	0			0	0
Total Resources Expended 2024	**196,188**	**51,227**	**11,956**	**259,371**	**263,225**
Total Resources Expended 2023	*192,390*	*59,096*	*11,739*	*263,225*	

4 STAFF COSTS	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted	Total	Total
	Undesignated	Designated	Fund	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£	£
4(a) Wages and salaries					
Gross payments	62,805	29,237	0	92,042	87,842
Social security costs				0	0
Employers Stakeholder pension	1,285	110		1,395	1,242
Wages & Salaries 2024	64,090	29,347	0	93,437	89,084
Wages & Salaries 2023	*59,723*	*29,361*	*0*	*89,084*	
Church					
Families and Youth worker	34,500			34,500	32,175
Coordinator	19,725			19,725	18,330
Verger	6,690			6,690	6,162
Hall Cleaners & Caretaker	1,290			1,290	1,210
Occasional Organists	600			600	705
Parochial Organisations					
Playgroup leaders		29237		29,237	29,260
	62,805	29,237	0	92,042	87,842

During the year our Coordinator managed the Church, a Cleaner and a Caretaker managed the hall, an Organist conducted occasional duties. Employer social security costs did not reach the de-minimis level to require payment for the year.

An Ofsted registered Playgroup, a Mothers and Toddlers group and a Tots group operate from the church hall. These Parochial Organisations employed 4 part time Playgroup leaders. No payment to an employee was large enough to attract employer social security costs. Together these employees amount to approximately 2 full time employee.

Expenses of £732 (2023: £992) were reimbursed to the Incumbent for telecoms, books, travelling and church resources. Expenses and reimbursements of £1,389 (2023: £2,117) were made to the Youth Minister for books,telecoms, travelling and church resources. No payment of fees or expenses were made to PCC Members or persons closely connected with them or to any related parties for their services as PCC charity Trustees.

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2024

5 FIXED ASSETS	2024 £	2023 £
5(a) Tangible assets		
Freehold land and buildings		
Cost / valuation		
As at 1 January	357,856	357,856
Additions (disposals)	0	0
As at 31 December	357,856	357,856
Depreciation		
As at 1 January	357,856	357,856
Charge (released on disposals)	0	0
As at 31 December	357,856	357,856
Net book values		
As at 31 December	0	0

The freehold land and buildings comprise the Church Hall, Woodside Crescent, Sidcup. The book value is an amount estimated by the PCC as at 25 December 2000, for insurance purposes and has been fully depreciated.

6 CURRENT ASSETS	2024 £	2023 £
6(b) Debtors		
Tax recoverable	8,363	7,738
Other debtors	3,623	723
Prepayments	1,391	1,158
Parochial Organisation Other debtors	25	0
Total debtors	13,402	9,619

	2024 £	2023 £
6(c) Short term deposits		
Diocese of Rochester accounts		
General loan account	24,491	23,489
Legacy account	20,426	19,639
Sale of Parish Hall land	1,125	1,125
Church repair account	33,877	26,845
Hall repair account	6,939	5,709
	86,858	76,807
Santander deposit account	61,564	25,580
Total short term deposits	148,422	102,387

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
6(d) Cash at bank and in hand		
Santander - current account	5,834	4,781
Santander - gift aid account	726	89
Commercial Banks - parochial organisations	46,054	26,728
	52,613	31,598

	2024	2023
7 CURRENT LIABILITIES	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year		
Sundry creditors	1,539	707
Accruals	6,400	7,076
Boiler loan repayable	6,000	6,000
Parochial Organisation & fees in advance	11,231	610
	25,170	14,393

8 FUNDS

	Balance at 1 January	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Reserves Transfers	Balance at 31 December
	£	£	£	£	£
8(a) Undesignated un-restricted reserves					
General reserves	66,933	199,398	(196,188)	(7,019)	63,124
Legacy reserves	13,543	2,000	0	0	15,543
	80,476	201,398	(196,188)	(7,019)	78,667
8(b) Designated un-restricted reserves					
Church repair reserves	18,699	1,033	0	6,000	25,732
Church hall repair reserves	6,177	211	0	1,019	7,407
Church boiler fund reserves	(14,384)	3,498	0	0	(10,886)
Church south roof fund reserve		44,874	0	0	44,874
Parochial organisations reserves	26,118	62,457	(51,227)	0	37,348
Balance at 31 December	36,610	112,073	(51,227)	7,019	104,475
8(c) Restricted reserves					
Mission giving	0	11,956	(11,956)	0	0
Sale of Hall Land reserve	1,125	0	0	0	1,125
Total Reserves	118,211	325,427	(259,371)	0	184,267

9 FUNDS HELD AS CUSTODIAN TRUSTEE

Christ Church PCC does not hold any funds as a "Custodian Trustee" on behalf ao any other Individual, Company or Organisation.

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees - The PCC of Christ Church Sidcup Charity Number 1127351

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above named charity for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Respective Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the charity's Trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requitements of the Charities Act 2011. (the Act)

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charities Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake this examination by being a qualified member of the Association of Accounting Technicians (AAT)

I have completed the requisite examination.
I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with my examination which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act, or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

BRIDGES

Ms Sabrina Bridges
10 March 2025

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Mission & Charity Giving Analysed

	2024 £	2023 £
Overseas Agencies		
Crosslinks	2,640	1,708
Bible Society	1,950	2,287
Christian Aid	0	1,183
Christian Solidarity Worldwide	250	0
	4,840	5,178
Home Agencies		
Church Pastoral Aid Society	2,480	1,725
Lark in the Park	1,165	1,142
CRIBS	1,155	1,624
Home 4 Good	955	0
	5,755	4,491
Other Charities		
Macmillan Nurses	250	250
UK Cost of living support payments	500	300
Evergreen Care Bexley	611	0
Demelza Hospice	0	1,520
	1,361	2,070
Total Mission Giving	**11,956**	**11,739**
Grants by the PCC		
Evangelical Alliance	150	150
Hope and Poverty	150	150
	300	300
Grand Total	**12,256**	**12,039**

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF CHRIST CHURCH SIDCUP

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The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Registered Charity No. 1127351

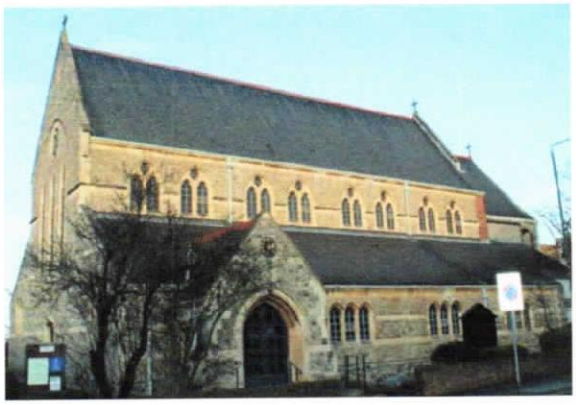
Christ Church Sidcup PCC

Annual Report

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Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2023



Independent examiner:
Ms Emilie Radley
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The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Christ Church, Sidcup PCC Annual Report for 2023

Administrative information

Christ Church is situated in Christchurch Road, Sidcup. It is part of the Diocese of Rochester within the Church of England. The correspondence address is The Vicarage, 16 Christchurch Road, Sidcup, Kent DA15 7HE. Christ Church, Sidcup PCC is registered with the Charity Commission No. 1127351.

Objectives

Christ Church, Sidcup PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Rev Thomas Parsons, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It also has maintenance responsibilities for the Church and Church Hall, Woodside Crescent, Sidcup. Further details are provided in Achievements and Performance later in this report.

PCC Membership

Members of the PCC are either ex officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules.

During the year the following served as members of the PCC:

Ex officio members:		
Incumbent:	The Rev Thomas Parsons	Chairman
Curate:	Rev Adam Curtis	Resigned 31 August 2023
Youth Minister	Mr Kevyn Oliver	
Reader:	Mr Andrew Young	
Wardens:	Mr Tom McMahon	
	Miss Sam Maxwell	
Deanery Synod Representatives:		
	Mr Stephen England	Until APCM 2026
	Mr Andrew Young	" " "
Elected members:	Mr Mike Barrett	Until APCM 2024
	Mr Howard Bunting	" " "
	Mr Leigh Evans	" " "
	Mrs Jenny Rutter	" " "
	Mr Daniel Beckley	Until APCM 2025
	Ms Carole Hazelgrove	" " "
	Ms Desi Lambina	" " "
	Mr Stan Codling	" " "
	Mr Paul Atkinson	Until APCM 2026
	Mr Greg Farrell	" " "
	Mrs Diane McMahon	" " "
	Mrs Alison Summers	" " "
Co-opted members:	Ms Caroline Bunting	Until APCM 2024
	Mr Robin Younghusband	" " "
PCC Secretary	Mr Robin Younghusband	

PCC Committees

The PCC is assisted by three committees, which meet between full meetings of the PCC:

***Standing Committee*:**
This is the only committee required by law. It has power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the Council.

Mission Committee:
Attends to matters relating to the support of mission and relief agencies worldwide.

Fabric Committee:
Attends to matters relating to the stewardship of plant, such as the church buildings and fabric, the churchyard, the Vicarage and the Church Hall, Woodside Crescent, Sidcup

PCC Members are encouraged to develop their knowledge and understanding of the aims and objectives of the Church by also participating on one or more of the committees. Newly elected PCC members receive induction training according to their needs and previous experience with this or other charities.

Parochial Organisations

These accounts include the operation of Church Parochial Organisations that have their main allegiance to the PCC but which are managed independently by respective committees using facilities of the Church and Church Hall and have their accounts presented to the PCC on an annual basis.

The Parochial Organisations are:

Group Name	Audience	Meeting dates	Location
Mothers and Toddlers	0-5 & Carers	Thursday am term time	Church Hall
Tiny Tots	0-5 & Carers	Tuesday am term time	Church Hall
Christchurch Playgroup	Pre-School	Mon, Wed, Fri am term time	Church Hall
Boys Brigade	School Age	Fridays pm term time	Church Hall
Bumps and Babies	0-1 & Carers	Thursdays am weekly	West Wing
Contact Club	Over 60's	Tuesday am weekly	Fellowship Rooms

Achievements and Performance

Review of the year

2023 was a year of growth at Christ Church. It was very encouraging to see a steadier stream of newcomers into the church services and activities than we have known for many years. Some of these new people have been committed followers of Jesus who are moving into the area; several have very little church background and have come to do what the inscription over Christ Church's doorway recommends: to seek the Lord.



During the summer, Christ Church said goodbye to Rev Adam Curtis, who left us after completing his curacy in Sidcup. Adam's contribution to the life and growth of our parish was huge and he is missed now that he has taken up his role as Associate Vicar at St Mary's, Maidenhead. His departure was marked with a memorable weekend of events, and it was a joy to give him an oversize bed as a gift from the church. It was the first time in his adult life he had fitted into a bed! The frame and bedding were made by various church members.

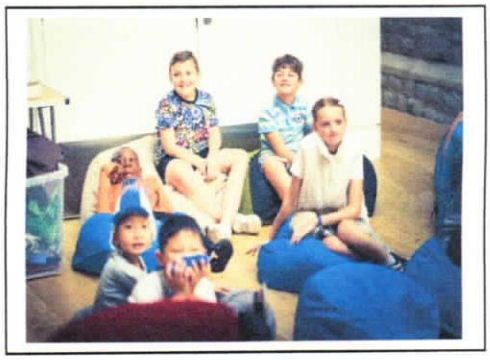
Adam made a very significant contribution to an event which, for many, was high point of the year. He played the role of Jesus in The Mark Drama. This dramatized presentation of Mark's Gospel was facilitated by Andrew Page, who came to us for a weekend and drilled a cast of thirteen church members to deliver two very powerful performances in March.
Another of Adam's contributions was a series of apologetics evening session in January. Speakers from Christianity Explored and The Oxford Centre for Christian Apologetics addressed questions about faith, science, suffering and meaning. The series was named The Glass Room, to express our aim to be transparent in our presentation of the Christian Faith, and to refer to the glass-fronted West Wing.



It has been good to engage in these ways with those seeking answers to the big questions. We have also hosted three evangelistic courses for enquirers during the year, including an autumn Christianity Explored Course, which was one of the best attended of our recent past. We were also privileged to welcome Speak Life's Nate Morgan Locke in November. He spoke evangelistically in the morning service and led an excellent seminar in the evening that pursued the theme of God and story.

It has been encouraging to see Kevyn Oliver, our Children, Youth and Family Minister, get into his stride during 2023 – having only joined the staff team in late 2022. He and Adam ran a February half-term holiday club which helped us build good links to local families. In addition, parties at Easter and December, along with a weekly series of outdoor events on summer Saturdays, have built bridges.

Work with children and young people has continued across the range of ages. Boys' Brigade numbers have been excellent, and their activities raised a record contribution for their chosen charity of the year: Demelza Hospice. Sunday children's groups have been well led by a strong team of volunteers, and the weekday activities for preschool children (Bumps and Babies, Tiny Tots and Mums and Toddlers) are thriving.



The past year has not been a straightforward in the wider Church of England, after the General Synod voted in February to introduce liturgy to bless same-sex sexual relationships. This led to Christ Church's Church Council taking the decision to write to our Bishop to inform him that we intend to hold to the established teaching of the Church. This was a demanding process. We were helped in it by Adam who, in his capacity as a representative of the organisation Living Out, led us in two seminars on being a biblically inclusive church.

These discussions serve to highlight the complexity of the times we live in, and we are trying not to shy away from them. An example of that desire to engage honestly in contemporary challenges was an evening seminar we hosted in the autumn led by Owain Jenkins. Owain, a local friend of our church, also speaks for the organisation Naked Truth. He helped us to think through the contemporary challenges related to pornography.

Another priority of this year has been building relationships within the church. With this in mind, our Church Day Away in September was very positive. As before, we used the excellent facilities at St Nicholas' Church, Sevenoaks. Around 70 church members gathered for teaching from The Revd Carl Chambers, Vicar of Wilmington, and for plenty of spare time to talk.

Another relationship-building initiative was the Holy Week of Hospiltality. Ten church members opened their homes in the week leading up to Easter to anyone who wanted to come. It was very encouraging to see new connections made.

During the year, there were the usual range of pastoral offices: funerals, baptisms and a wedding. It is always a privilege to be involved in such events – although 2023 did see more than the usual number of church-related funerals. As for baptisms, we held one very uplifting summer Sunday evening service at Sidcup Baptist Church as three Christ Church members were baptised by full immersion.



One remarkable feature of the growth we witnessed during 2023 is that it was visible at all three of the Sunday services, and not just the 10:30 am. The 9:00 am service of Holy Communion has proved a gateway into church life for some, and the evening service has also gained momentum. This growth is reflected in our current financial position, as will be evident in the accounts below.

This sense that the church is growing was encapsulated at the service of Carols by Candlelight in December. For the first time in living memory, there were well over 300 people in church, and the choir has grown to the point where it is hard to know how to fit all the members into the chancel!

We are aiming to grow in three directions: deeper in faith, wider into our community and younger in our average age as a church family. Rising numbers is not the only measure of our health. We long to experience a deepening worship and love, understanding and commitment. We would love to connect more widely with people in our parish and area. We pray for more meaningful impact in the lives of young people. But we end the year grateful to God for everything he has given us and, with the complexity of the times and the fractious state of the wider church in mind, we can only go forward with in prayer and trust.

Church attendance

The previous Church Electoral Roll contained 153 names. 7 names were added during the year and 4 were removed. Therefore, the new Roll contains 156 names of which 49 live in the Parish and 107 live outside the Parish. The average weekly attendance at services during October was 143 aged over 16 and 20 under 16. This number increases at festivals.

Safeguarding

The PCC has complied with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 and its duty to have regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults. Our safeguarding work is led by Parish Safeguarding Officer Dawn Watson.

Financial review

We remain forever thankful for the generosity of the congregation. This year, total regular giving including the value of tax credits was £149,371, (2022: £137,718). The increase follows the growth in church attendance coupled with a move to regular contributions by way of standing order, routine bank transfer or payment via Stewardship of Charities Aid Foundation.

Designated contributions to support the installation of a new boiler in Church amounted to £7,006 (2022: £5,068).

Collections through the plate increased to £8,312 (2022: £6,503) including the associated tax credit.

The Church benefitted from two legacies in the year amounting to £15,500. These occasional, one off gifts provide the PCC with additional financial resource to renovate aged equipment or in the current case invest in deepening our Ministry with target groups. The PCC have agreed to the transfer of £7,000 annually from the Legacy reserve, until exhausted, to support youth work in the Church.

Regular users have been established in the Church Hall and West Wing and Fellowship rooms. Our Parochial organisations, Playgroup, Mothers & Toddlers, TOTS, Brownies, Boys Brigade, and Contact Club all make valuable contributions, together with external groups like the New Eltham Dance School, Zumba, Slimming World and Barclays Bank who have committed for another year.

Added to those, there are numerous occasional bookings for meetings or training and party hire. Together we have benefitted by £25,236 (2022: £20,123)

The Diocese continued to support the cost of accommodation for our Curate, until the end of his term in August.

Our Parochial Organisations continue to operate effectively. A decline in the birth rate, COVID, Brexit and other factors led to fewer numbers in the Playgroup. The Management Committee restructured the staffing to mitigate this temporary reduction in income. Another smaller deficit was registered in 2023 but finances are now more evenly balanced. The PCC remain reassured that each of the Parochial organisations has sufficient reserves to meet their liabilities and is able to continue operating effectively.

Mission giving remains an important focus at Christ Church. Fundraising provided gifts of £11,772 including £1,770 from Boys Brigade and Mothers and Toddlers (2022: £11,197). The Agencies and Charities in receipt of our support are disclosed on page 15 of these accounts.

At the end of December 2023, a total of £17,000, from the original loan to install the boiler, remains to be repaid over the next 3 years and we will continue with specific fundraising and appeals in order to lessen any draw upon general reserves.

Going Concern

After making appropriate enquiries the PCC has concluded that it has adequate resources to continue its activities for the foreseeable future. For this reason, it has continued to adopt the going concern basis for the preparation of these accounts.

Reserves policy

The PCC reviewed its reserves policy and has concluded that ideally undesignated unrestricted reserves should match the average value of unrestricted payments in a year. This will cover emergency situations that may arise and provide a sensible working capital for the needs of the PCC.

By completing the boiler works ahead of receiving funding there is a short term adverse reserve of £14,384 for which future fundraising will be needed to bring this project back into balance.

At the end of the current year general reserves, excluding the boiler deficit, remain at some 50% of that ideal target.

Designated reserves are set aside principally to meet repairs and improvements to the Church and Hall. These are reviewed on a 5-yearly basis in line with recommendations from the Diocesan Surveyor.



Approved by the PCC on 11th March 2024 and signed on their behalf by Tom Parsons Vicar.

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds Undesignated	Designated	Restricted Fund	Total 2023	Total 2022
		£	£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES						
Voluntary income	2(a)	173,183	59,217	11,739	244,139	210,900
Activities for generating funds	2(b)	33,284	0	0	33,284	25,322
Income from investments	2(c)	1,412	827	0	2,239	341
Other incoming resources	2(d)	0	6,088	0	6,088	14,127
Total Incoming Resources		207,879	66,132	11,739	285,750	250,690
RESOURCES EXPENDED						
Church activities	3(a)	159,736	59,096	11,739	230,571	189,986
Church management and admin	3(b)	20,666	0	0	20,666	19,831
Cost of generating voluntary income	3(c)	11,988	0	0	11,988	12,062
Fund-raising trading costs		0	0	0	0	0
Total Resources Expended		192,390	59,096	11,739	263,225	221,879
Net Movement in Funds		15,489	7,035	0	22,525	28,811
Transfers between reserves		(7,019)	7,019	0	0	0
Movement for the Year		8,470	14,054	0	22,525	28,811
Balances B/F 01 January	8	72,006	22,555	1,125	95,686	66,875
Balances C/F 31 December	8	**80,476**	**36,609**	**1,125**	**118,211**	**95,686**

There are no gains or losses on investment assets and there has been no revaluation of fixed assets reported in these accounts.

The notes on pages 10 to 14 form part of this account

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Balance Sheet at 31 December 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible Assets	5	0	0
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	6(b)	9,619	15,212
Short term deposits	6(c)	102,387	77,630
Cash at bank and in hand	6(d)	31,598	40,996
		143,604	133,838
LIABILITIES			
Creditors - falling due in one year	7	(14,393)	(21,152)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		129,211	112,686
Creditors falling due after one year		(11,000)	(17,000)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		**118,211**	**95,686**
PARISH FUNDS	8		
Unrestricted - Undesignated General		66,933	66,963
Unrestricted - Undesignated Legacy		13,543	5,043
		80,476	72,006
Unrestricted - Designated Repair Funds		24,876	17,030
Unrestricted - Designated Church Building		(14,384)	(21,390)
Unrestricted - Parochial Organisations		26,118	26,915
		36,610	22,555
Restricted - Parish Hall Land		1,125	1,125
TOTAL FUNDS		**118,211**	**95,686**

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 11 March 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Rev. Tom Parsons - Vicar

Tom McMahon - Church Warden

The notes on pages 10 to 14 form part of this account

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2023

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Preparation of Accounts

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities published on 16 July 2014.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention using the accruals accounting basis. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in Law. They do not include the accounts of other church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

Funds

Unrestricted funds comprise all reserves other than those restricted funds. General funds and legacies can be used by the PCC for any purpose. Some unrestricted funds have a designated use for the repair of the Church or Church Hall or by the Parochial Organisations. The PCC has additionally designated a building fund for the West Wing Annexe. The restricted fund has arisen following the sale of a small parcel of land adjacent to the Church Hall.

Incoming Resources

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received. Tax funds are recognised when the incoming resources to which they relate is received. Interest is accrued. All other income is recognised when it is receivable. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

Resources Expended

Amounts received specifically for mission are dealt with as restricted funds. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Going Concern

The PCC assess whether the use of going concern in the preparation of these accounts is still appropriate. The PCC assess whether there are material risks, uncertainties, events or conditions that cast significant doubt on the ability of the PCC to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives and meet its liabilities as they fall due as a going concern. The PCC make this assessment for a period of 1 year from the date of approval of these accounts.

Fixed Assets

Consecrated and benefice property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by s.96(2)(a) of the Charities Act 1993. Major new equipment purchased for use within the Church and Hall is depreciated on a straight line basis over 4 years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £5,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2023

2. INCOMING RESOURCES	Unrestricted Funds Undesignated	Designated	Restricted Fund	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
2(a) Voluntary income					
Planned giving: Gift aid donations	111,851			111,851	104,774
Tax recoverable	26,248			26,248	25,045
Other	11,272			11,272	7,899
Collections on the plate inc GASDS	8,312			8,312	6,503
Donations and appeals		7,006		7,006	5,067
Legacies	15,500			15,500	0
Mission gift days and other giving			9,969	9,969	10,997
Parochial organisations general		52,211	1770	53,981	50,615
Voluntary Income 2023	**173,183**	**59,217**	**11,739**	**244,139**	**210,900**
Voluntary income 2022	*144,221*	*55,482*	*11,197*	*210,900*	
2(b) Activities for generating funds					
Bookstall	0			0	0
Contact magazine	0			0	0
Church fees	2,476			2,476	2,739
Ministry fees	2,284			2,284	1,778
Church hall and fellowship room lettings	25,236			25,236	20,123
Sundry income	3,288			3,288	682
Activities generating funds 2023	**33,284**	**0**	**0**	**33,284**	**25,322**
Activities generating funds 2022	*25,322*	*0*	*0*	*25,322*	
2(c) Income from investments					
Interest receivable 2023	**1,412**	**827**		**2,239**	**341**
Interest receivable 2022	*228*	*113*	*0*	*341*	
2(d) Other income 2023		**6,088**		**6,088**	**14,127**
Other income 2022	*0*	*14,127*	*0*	*14,127*	
Total Incoming Resources 2023	**207,879**	**66,132**	**11,739**	**285,750**	**250,690**
Total Incoming Resources 2022	*169,771*	*69,722*	*11,197*	*250,690*	

3. RESOURCES EXPENDED	Unrestricted Funds Undesignated	Designated	Restricted Fund	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
3(a) Church activities					
Ministry costs	49,795	6088		55,883	25,208
Parish share	78,176			78,176	73,853
Church running expenses	17,231			17,231	18,832
Other church maintenance	3,442			3,442	(3,075)
Upkeep of services	3,802			3,802	2,124
Contact magazine & website	763			763	1,540
Support groups & Outreach	6,057			6,057	5,323
Subscriptions	147			147	107
Sundries	23			23	159
Misionary giving and grants	300		9,969	10,269	11,097
Parochial organisations general		53,008	1,770	54,778	54,819
Church activities 2023	**159,736**	**59,096**	**11,739**	**230,571**	**189,987**
Church activities 2022	110,044	68,746	11,197	189,987	

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3. RESOURCES EXPENDED	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted	Total	Total
	Undesignated	Designated	Fund	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£	£
3(b) Church management					
Administrator	18,693			18,693	17,673
Printing and photocopying	1,973			1,973	2,158
Bank and other sundry charges				0	0
Church management 2023	**20,666**	**0**	**0**	**20,666**	**19,831**
Church management 2022	*19,831*	*0*	*0*	*19,831*	
3(c) Cost of generating voluntary income					
Hall running costs	11,155			11,155	8,126
Other hall maintenance	833			833	3,936
Cost of generating income 2023	**11,988**	**0**	**0**	**11,988**	**12,062**
Cost of generating income 2022	*12,062*	*0*	*0*	*12,062*	
3(d) Fund raising costs	0			0	0
Total Resources Expended 2023	**192,390**	**59,096**	**11,739**	**263,225**	**221,880**
Total Resources Expended 2022	*141,937*	*68,746*	*11,197*	*221,880*	

4 STAFF COSTS	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted	Total	Total
	Undesignated	Designated	Fund	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£	£
4(a) Wages and salaries					
Gross payments	58,582	29,260		87,842	62,052
Social security costs	0	0		0	0
Employers Stakeholder pension	1,141	101		1,242	539
Wages & Salaries 2023	59,723	29,361	0	89,084	62,591
Wages & Salaries 2022	*31,266*	*31,325*	*0*	*62,591*	
Church					
Families and Youth worker	32,175			32,175	5,100
Cooordinator	18,330			18,330	17,340
Verger	6,162			6,162	5,868
Hall Cleaners & Caretaker	1,210			1,210	1,443
Occasional Organists	705			705	1,060
Parochial Organisations					
Playgroup leaders		29,260		29,260	31,241
	58,582	29,260	0	87,842	62,052

During the year our Coordinator managed the Church, a Cleaner and a Caretaker managed the hall, an Organist conducted occasional duties. Employer social security costs did not reach the de-minimis level to require payment for the year.

An Ofsted registered Playgroup, a Mothers and Toddlers group and a Tots group operate from the church hall. These Parochial Organisations employed 5 part time Playgroup leaders. No payment to an employee was large enough to attract employer social security costs. Together these employees amount to approximately 2 full time employee.

Expenses of £992 (2022: £790) were reimbursed to the Incumbent for telecoms, books, travelling and church resources.
Expenses of £743(2022: £678) were reimbursed to the Curate for telecoms, books, travelling and church resources.
Expenses and reimbursements of £2,117 were made to the Youth Minister telecoms, for books, travelling and church resources.
The Buntings, members of the PCC, received £7,200 (2022: £10,800) from the Church in rent for the Curate's flat at approximately 75% of the open market rate. No payment of fees or expenses were made to PCC Members or persons closely connected with them or to any related parties for their services as PCC charity Trustees.

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5 FIXED ASSETS	2023 £	2022 £
5(a) Tangible assets		
Freehold land and buildings		
Cost / valuation		
As at 1 January	357,856	357,856
Additions (disposals)	0	0
As at 31 December	357,856	357,856
Depreciation		
As at 1 January	357,856	357,856
Charge (released on disposals)	0	0
As at 31 December	357,856	357,856
Net book values		
As at 31 December	0	0

The freehold land and buildings comprise the Church Hall, Woodside Crescent, Sidcup. The book value is an amount estimated by the PCC as at 25 December 2000, for insurance purposes and has been fully depreciated.

6 CURRENT ASSETS	2023 £	2022 £
6(b) Debtors		
Tax recoverable	7,738	9,737
Other debtors	723	4,405
Prepayments	1,158	1,070
Parochial Organisation Other debtors	0	0
Total debtors	9,619	15,212

	2023 £	2022 £
6(c) Short term deposits		
Diocese of Rochester accounts		
General loan account	23,489	22,717
Legacy account	19,639	19,028
Sale of Parish Hall land	1,125	1,125
Church repair account	26,845	20,163
Hall repair account	5,709	4,546
	76,807	67,579
Santander deposit account	25,580	10,051
Total short term deposits	102,387	77,630

	2023	2022
	£	£
6(d) Cash at bank and in hand		
Santander - current account	4,781	8,220
Santander - gift aid account	89	2,067
Commercial Banks - parochial organisations	26,728	30,709
	31,598	40,996

7 CURRENT LIABILITIES	2023 £	2022 £
Amounts falling due within one year		
Sundry creditors	707	972
Accruals	7,076	9,386
Boiler loan repayable	6,000	6,000
Parochial Organisation & fees in advance	610	4,794
	14,393	21,152

8 FUNDS

	Balance at 1 January	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Reserves Transfers	Balance at 31 December
	£	£	£	£	£
8(a) Undesignated un-restricted reserves					
General reserves	66,963	192,379	(192,390)	(19)	66,933
Legacy reserves	5,043	15,500		(7,000)	13,543
	72,006	207,879	(192,390)	(7,019)	80,476
8(b) Designated un-restricted reserves					
Diocesan grants	0			0	0
Curate accommodation	0	6,088	(6,088)	0	0
Church repair reserves	12,017	682	0	6,000	18,699
Church hall repair reserves	5,013	145	0	1,019	6,177
Church building fund reserves	(21,390)	7,006	0	0	(14,384)
Parochial organisations reserves	26,915	52,211	(53,008)	0	26,118
Balance at 31 December	22,555	66,132	(59,096)	7,019	36,610
8(c) Restricted reserves					
Mission giving	0	11,739	(11,739)	0	0
Sale of Hall Land reserve	1,125	0	0	0	1,125
Total Reserves	95,686	285,750	(263,224)	0	118,211

9 FUNDS HELD AS CUSTODIAN TRUSTEE

Christ Church PCC does not hold any funds as a "Custodian Trustee" on behalf ao any other Individual, Company or Organisation.

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees - The PCC of Christ Church Sidcup Charity Number 1127351

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above named charity for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Respective Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the charity's Trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requitements of the Charities Act 2011. (the Act)

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charities Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake this examination by being aqualified member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW)

I have completed the requisite examination.
I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with my examination which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Ms Emilie Ann Radley BSc ACA
11 March 2024

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Mission & Charity Giving Analysed

	2023 £	2022 £
Overseas Agencies		
Crosslinks	1,708	3,915
Bible Society	2,287	1,917
Christian Aid	1,183	505
Christian Solidarity Worldwide	0	125
	5,178	6,462
Home Agencies		
Church Pastoral Aid Society	1,725	1,455
Lark in the Park	1,142	1,257
CRIBS	1,624	1,266
	4,491	3,978
Other Charities		
Macmillan Nurses	250	200
Greenwich & Bexley Hospice	0	412
UK Cost of living support payments	300	0
Ukraine	0	145
Demelza Hospice	1,520	0
	2,070	757
Total Mission Giving	**11,739**	**11,197**
Grants by the PCC		
Evangelical Alliance	150	100
Hope and Poverty	150	0
	300	100
Grand Total	**12,039**	**11,297**

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF CHRIST CHURCH SIDCUP

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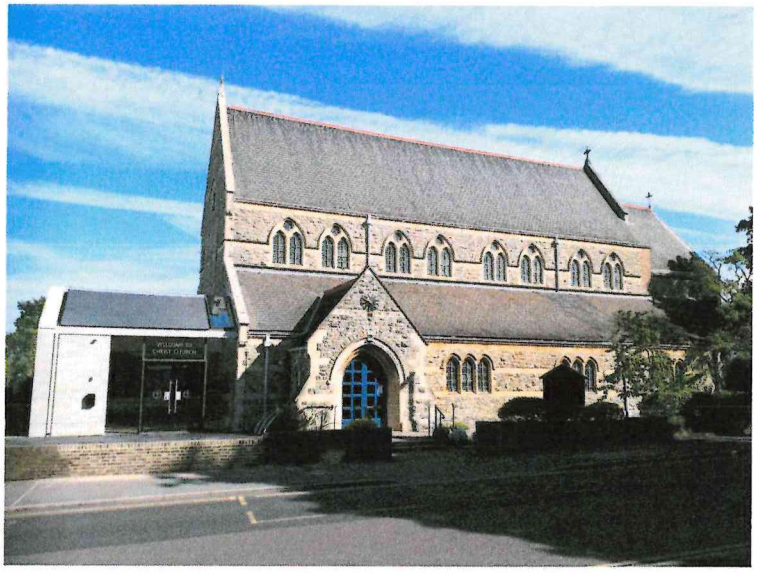
Christ Church Sidcup PCC

Annual Report

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Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2022



Independent examiner:
Ms Emilie Radley
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The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Christ Church, Sidcup PCC Annual Report for 2022

Administrative information

Christ Church is situated in Christchurch Road, Sidcup. It is part of the Diocese of Rochester within the Church of England. The correspondence address is The Vicarage, 16 Christchurch Road, Sidcup, Kent DA15 7HE. Christ Church, Sidcup PCC is registered with the Charity Commission No. 1127351.

Objectives

Christ Church, Sidcup PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Rev Thomas Parsons, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It also has maintenance responsibilities for the Church and Church Hall, Woodside Crescent, Sidcup. Further details are provided in Achievements and Performance later in this report.

PCC Membership

Members of the PCC are either ex officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules.

During the year the following served as members of the PCC:

Ex officio members:		
Incumbent:	The Rev Thomas Parsons	Chairman
Curate:	Rev Adam Curtis	
Reader:	Mr Andrew Young	
Wardens:	Mr Tom McMahon	
	Mrs Dawn Watson	
Deanery Synod Representatives:		
	Mr Stephen England	Until APCM 2023
	Mr Andrew Young	" " "
Elected members:	Ms Sarah Moore	Until APCM 2023
	Mr Philip Wigley	" " "
	Mr Robin Younghusband	" " "
	Ms Kelly Newman	" " "
	Mr Mike Barrett	Until APCM 2024
	Mr Howard Bunting	" " "
	Mr Leigh Evans	" " "
	Mrs Jenny Rutter	" " "
	Mr Daniel Beckley	Until APCM 2025
	Ms Carole Hazelgrove	" " "
	Ms Desi Lambina	" " "
Co-opted members:	Mr Paul Atkinson	Until APCM 2023
	Mr Greg Farrell	" " "
PCC Secretary	Mr Robin Younghusband	

PCC Committees
The PCC is assisted by four committees, which meet between full meetings of the PCC:

***Standing Committee*:**
This is the only committee required by law. It has power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the Council.

Mission Committee:
Attends to matters relating to the support of mission and relief agencies worldwide.

Fabric Committee:
Attends to matters relating to the stewardship of plant, such as the church buildings and fabric, the churchyard, the Vicarage and the Church Hall, Woodside Crescent, Sidcup

Build Committee:
Christ Church is completing a project aimed at developing the Christ Church building for the future. This Committee oversees these developments. The Committee has completed its work on the West Wing Annexe.

PCC Members are encouraged to develop their knowledge and understanding of the aims and objectives of the Church by also participating on one or more of the committees. Newly elected PCC members receive induction training according to their needs and previous experience with this or other charities.

Parochial Organisations
These accounts include the operation of Church Parochial Organisations that have their main allegiance to the PCC but which are managed independently by respective committees using facilities of the Church and Church Hall and have their accounts presented to the PCC on an annual basis.

The Parochial Organisations are:

Group Name	Audience	Meeting dates	Location
Mothers and Toddlers	0-5 & Carers	Thursday am term time	Church Hall
Tiny Tots	0-5 & Carers	Tuesday am term time	Church Hall
Christchurch Playgroup	Pre-School	Mon, Wed, Fri am term time	Church Hall
Boys Brigade	School Age	Fridays pm term time	Church Hall
Bumps and Babies	0-1 & Carers	Thursdays am weekly	West Wing
CYFA	School Age	Friday pm weekly	West Wing
Contact Club	Over 60's	Tuesday am weekly	Fellowship Rooms

Achievements and Performance

Review of the year

We can only be deeply thankful to God that 2022 was a year of energy and growth at Christ Church. At the start of the year the UK was still in the shadow of the Covid-19 pandemic. The story of the year could easily have been one of sluggish recovery. In fact, God has increased our activities, numbers, giving and staff team.

One development to highlight is the appointment of Kevyn Oliver, who began his work as Children, Youth and Family Minister in November. We had tried, unsuccessfully, to appoint someone to this sort of role over the last several years. Welcoming Kevyn and his family from Brazil has been a joy, and we are grateful for God's provision – both of Kevyn himself and of the finances to make the role possible.

Children and Youth ministry has gained momentum during the year. It was perhaps the area of church life hardest hit by the pandemic. But there has been a recovery. For example, during the summer, Desi Lambina held Sunday lunch BBQs for families with pre-school-age children. By the end of the year, we had a busier crèche than for some time and we were able to re-open Bright Sparks, the Sunday group for 3-5s which we had closed shortly before Covid struck. Our first holiday club for many years was held during the February half term for primary school age children. Meanwhile the two groups for older children (Pathfinders and CYFA) held a joint weekend away in the summer.

During the year, Christ Church has tried to keep a strong evangelistic focus. This is spear-headed by Adam Curtis, our Curate. He has led Christianity Explored, Life Explored and Hope Explored Courses. In March we were privileged to welcome Rory Steyn to speak at a packed dinner at the Limoncello restaurant. Rory was Nelson Mandela's chief bodyguard. He shared stories of his work with that great leader, and also about his relationship with Jesus Christ. Then in May, we welcomed Rico Tice to preach evangelistically in the morning service and in September, Glen Scrivener came to Christ Church for a whole day of evangelistic activities.
One event that tied together our focus on young people and on evangelism, was the Confirmation Service held in October. Ten members of Christ Church, representing all ages, took the step of public commitment to Christ. They were confirmed by the, then very new, Bishop of Rochester, Rt Revd Dr Jonathan Gibbs.

During the year, Christ Church has been joined both by people moving into the area and some from other churches. In addition, some have come to us without any kind of church background. During 2022 we continued to establish the Christ Church Welcome Course into our programme. This three-week course is designed to introduce newcomers to the life of the church. We also used the material for our Lent Course too, enabling longer-standing members discover what the newer people are being told about the church they know so well!

This year featured lots of opportunities for church members to meet together and deepen relationship, including a series of bring and share lunches after Sunday morning services. Best of all, around sixty adults and children spend a day away together at St Nicholas',

Sevenoaks. On a beautiful September day, we enjoyed the preaching of Angus MacLeay, Rector of St Nicholas', and a memorable afternoon in the Knole Park.

Regular fellowship has been sustained through our ten home groups which, this year, have shared in studies on 2 Timothy and 2 Corinthians. We are especially thankful for all the group leaders. Women of Faith, has continued to meet a need for fellowship and encouragement, not only for women in Christ Church but those from other local churches who come alone too.

There have been plenty of opportunities to welcome those not currently part of the church into our community life during this year. As always, the Contact Club acts as a bridge to many local people. It continues to be popular, with its stimulating programme of speakers and outings for the active retired. Likewise, the Craft Group, the Boys Brigade, Tiny Tots, Mums and Toddlers and Bumps and Babies serve many from our parish and wider area. In addition, during the year, we have offered the West Wing annexe as part of the national Warm Space initiative – a response to the cost-of-living challenges associated with rising heating costs.

In November, Christ Church joined another national initiative: Safeguarding Sunday. it was a privilege to welcome David and Pauline Pearson, founders of the safeguarding organisation, thirtyone:eight. We have strong links with the organisation through Church Warden, Dawn Watson. It was not only enriching to hear from David, but also an important opportunity to remind the church family of the vital importance of safeguarding in the life of the church.

The Church Council has worked well together during the year, rising in faith to the challenge of funding a new full time ministerial role. This decision has proved warranted in view of the significant rise in the regular giving to Christ Church which has contributed significantly to the very encouraging financial results for the year contained in this report. Likewise, we have been able to meet the challenge of paying off this year's instalment of the generous loan made to the PCC in 2021 for the replacement of the boiler.

As a church we are aiming to share in the life of Jesus and the share it out. The fulfilment of this goal is hard to quantify. As Vicar, however, I can honestly say that I believe we are experiencing more of Christ's presence and work among us. There are signs throughout the church that we are moving forward in the three directions we are aiming for: deeper, wider and younger.

There is still much more progress for us to pursue. But we end 2022 with gratitude to God that he seems to have placed the church in a stronger position – by many measures – than we enjoyed before the pandemic.

Church attendance

The previous Church Electoral Roll contained 145 names. 10 names were added during the year and 2 were removed. Therefore, the new Roll contains 153 names of which 51 live in the Parish and 102 live outside the Parish. The average weekly attendance during October was 117 over16 and 19 under 16. This number increases at festivals.

Safeguarding

The PCC has complied with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 and its duty to have regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults. Our safeguarding work is led by Parish Safeguarding Officer Dawn Watson.

Financial review

Weekly and monthly financial giving to the church has increased further, for which we are sincerely grateful. Services have returned to their regular pattern and are no longer disrupted by COVID-19 restrictions. This year, total regular giving including the value of tax credits was £137,718 against £134,607 in 2021. The increase follows a shift in giving by more Parishioners to regular contributions by way of standing order or routine bank transfer. Designated contributions to support the installation of a new boiler in Church amounted to £5,068. And further, we have also seen increased collections through the plate rising to £6,503, including the associated tax credit, against £4,010 in 2021 as new members join our congregation.

Use of the Church Hall, the fellowship rooms and the West Wing Annexe has bounced back far exceeding previous years. Regular users have been firmly established in all locations. Playgroup, Mothers & Toddlers, TOTS, Brownies and Boys Brigade, Contact Club all make valuable contributions, together with external groups like the New Eltham Dance School and Barclays Bank who are committed for the longer term. Add to that, there are numerous occasional bookings for meetings or training and party hire. So you can see how more than £15,000 has been received at the Hall and nearly £5,000 for the West Wing and Fellowship rooms.

The Diocese has supported the Church through a number of grants during the year. Continuing to help with the cost of accommodation for our Curate, enabling the purchase of resources from the Reinvigorate fund for Children and Youth and supporting the Church with energy cost offset grants. This total income of £14,127 compares with £9,500 in the previous year.

Our Parochial Organisations continue to operate effectively. However, in respect of the Playgroup, there has been a recent decline in birth rate combined with reduced inward migration and the consequences of COVID which have led to reduced numbers attending the playgroup, Its' finances were affected and it recorded an unhelpful deficit this year. The PCC remain reassured that each of the Parochial organisations has sufficient reserves to meet their liabilities and is able to continue operating effectively. The Playgroup Management Committee is taking steps to mitigate the temporary reduction in income.

Adam, our Curate is joined by Kevyn our Children, Youth and Families Minister making up our Ministry Team. We are very fortunate to have the financial surplus to employ such terrific human resources to support our mission of growth at Christ Church.

Mission giving remains an important focus at Christ Church. COVID hampered the traditional Mission day collections. The Committee sought ways to become more flexible and they increased the use of the Stewardship online channel which was welcomed.

Mission fundraising provided gifts of £11,197, this year, as against £10,605 previously. The Agencies and Charities in receipt of our support are disclosed on page 15 of these accounts.

At the end of December 2022, a total of £23,000, from the original loan to install the boiler, remains to be repaid over the next 4 years and we will continue with specific fundraising and appeals in order to lessen any draw upon general reserves.

After persistent questioning, Santander reappraised the fraud perpetrated on the Church in 2020 and concluded that we should benefit from a reimbursement of our loss. This has been gratefully received. The fraud gave rise to the double payment of maintenance expenses for 2020 and it is therefore appropriate to apply the credit to that same expenditure line.

Going Concern

After making appropriate enquiries the PCC has concluded that it has adequate resources to continue its activities for the foreseeable future. For this reason, it has continued to adopt the going concern basis for the preparation of these accounts.

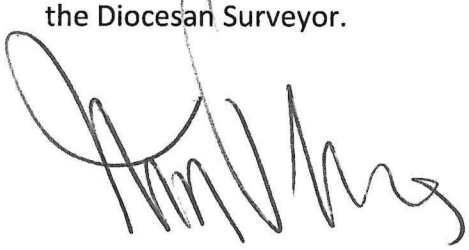
Reserves policy

The PCC reviewed its reserves policy and has concluded that ideally undesignated unrestricted reserves should match the average value of unrestricted payments in a year. This will cover emergency situations that may arise and provide a sensible working capital for the needs of the PCC.

By completing the boiler works ahead of receiving funding there is a temporary adverse reserve of £21,390 for which future fundraising will be needed to bring this project back into balance.

At the end of the current year general reserves, excluding the boiler deficit, remain at some 50% of that ideal target.

Designated reserves are set aside principally to meet repairs and improvements to the Church and Hall. These are reviewed on a 5-yearly basis in line with recommendations from the Diocesan Surveyor.



Approved by the PCC on 13th March 2023 and signed on their behalf by Tom Parsons Vicar.

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds Undesignated	Unrestricted Funds Designated	Restricted Fund	Total 2022	Total 2021
		£	£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES						
Voluntary income	2(a)	144,221	55,482	11,197	210,900	191,763
Activities for generating funds	2(b)	25,322	0	0	25,322	13,989
Income from investments	2(c)	228	113	0	341	0
Other incoming resources	2(d)	0	14,127	0	14,127	11,653
Total Incoming Resources		169,771	69,722	11,197	250,690	217,405
RESOURCES EXPENDED						
Church activities	3(a)	110,043	68,746	11,197	189,986	240,229
Church management and admin	3(b)	19,831	0	0	19,831	18,410
Cost of generating voluntary income	3(c)	12,062	0	0	12,062	8,490
Fund-raising trading costs		0	0	0	0	0
Total Resources Expended		141,936	68,746	11,197	221,879	267,129
Net Movement in Funds		27,835	976	0	28,811	(49,724)
Transfers between reserves		(7,019)	7,019	0	0	0
Movement for the Year		20,816	7,995	0	28,811	(49,724)
Balances B/F 01 January	8	51,190	14,560	1,125	66,875	116,599
Balances C/F 31 December	8	**72,006**	**22,555**	**1,125**	**95,686**	**66,875**

There are no gains or losses on investment assets and there has been no revaluation of fixed assets reported in these accounts.

The notes on pages 9 to 13 form part of this account

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Balance Sheet at 31 December 2022

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible Assets	5	0	0
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	6(b)	15,212	9,767
Short term deposits	6(c)	77,630	45,302
Cash at bank and in hand	6(d)	40,996	51,299
		133,838	106,368
LIABILITIES			
Creditors - falling due in one year	7	(21,153)	(16,493)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		112,686	89,875
Creditors falling due after one year		(17,000)	(23,000)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		**95,686**	**66,875**
PARISH FUNDS	8		
Unrestricted - Undesignated General		66,963	46,147
Unrestricted - Undesignated Legacy		5,043	5,043
		72,006	51,190
Unrestricted - Designated Repair Funds		17,030	9,898
Unrestricted - Designated Church Building		(21,390)	(26,457)
Unrestricted - Parochial Organisations		26,915	31,119
		22,555	14,560
Restricted - Parish Hall Land		1,125	1,125
TOTAL FUNDS		**95,686**	**66,875**

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 13 March 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Rev. Tom Parsons - Vicar

Dawn Watson - Church Warden

The notes on pages 9 to 13 form part of this account

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Preparation of Accounts

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities published on 16 July 2014.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention using the accruals accounting basis. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in Law. They do not include the accounts of other church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

Funds

Unrestricted funds comprise all reserves other than those restricted funds. General funds and legacies can be used by the PCC for any purpose. Some unrestricted funds have a designated use for the repair of the Church or Church Hall or by the Parochial Organisations. The PCC has additionally designated a building fund for the West Wing Annexe. The restricted fund has arisen following the sale of a small parcel of land adjacent to the Church Hall.

Incoming Resources

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received. Tax funds are recognised when the incoming resources to which they relate is received. Interest is accrued. All other income is recognised when it is receivable. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

Resources Expended

Amounts received specifically for mission are dealt with as restricted funds. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Going Concern

The PCC assess whether the use of going concern in the preparation of these accounts is still appropriate. The PCC assess whether there are material risks, uncertainties, events or conditions that cast significant doubt on the ability of the PCC to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives and meet its liabilities as they fall due as a going concern. The PCC make this assessment for a period of 1 year from the date of approval of these accounts.

Fixed Assets

Consecrated and benefice property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by s.96(2)(a) of the Charities Act 1993. Major new equipment purchased for use within the Church and Hall is depreciated on a straight line basis over 4 years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £5,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022

2. INCOMING RESOURCES	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted	Total	Total
	Undesignated	Designated	Fund	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£	£
2(a) Voluntary income					
Planned giving: Gift aid donations	104,774			104,774	103,571
Tax recoverable	25,045			25,045	24,814
Other	7,899			7,899	6,222
Collections on the plate inc GASDS	6,503			6,503	4,010
Donations and appeals		5,068		5,068	0
Legacies				0	0
Mission gift days and other giving			10,997	10,997	9,705
Parochial organisations general		50,415	200	50,615	43,441
Voluntary Income 2022	**144,221**	**55,482**	**11,197**	**210,900**	**191,763**
Voluntary income 2021	*129,242*	*51,916*	*10,605*	*191,763*	
2(b) Activities for generating funds					
Bookstall				0	0
Contact magazine				0	0
Church fees	2,739			2,739	3,539
Ministry fees	1,778			1,778	1,472
Church hall and fellowship room lettings	20,123			20,123	8,702
Sundry income	682			682	276
Activities generating funds 2022	**25,322**	**0**	**0**	**25,322**	**13,989**
Activities generating funds 2021	*13,989*	*0*	*0*	*13,989*	
2(c) Income from investments					
Interest receivable 2022	**228**	**113**		**341**	**0**
Interest receivable 2021	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	
2(d) Other income 2022		14,127		14,127	11,653
Other income 2021	*2,153*	*9,500*	*0*	*11,653*	
Total Incoming Resources 2022	**169,771**	**69,722**	**11,197**	**250,690**	**217,405**
Total Incoming Resources 2021	*145,384*	*61,416*	*10,605*	*217,405*	

3. RESOURCES EXPENDED	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted	Total	Total
	Undesignated	Designated	Fund	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£	£
3(a) Church activities					
Ministry costs	15,708	9500		25,208	19,572
Parish share	73,853			73,853	73,584
Church running expenses	17,179	1,653		18,832	15,924
Other church maintenance	(3,075)			(3,075)	76,032
Upkeep of services	2,124			2,124	1,737
Contact magazine & website	1,540			1,540	760
Support groups & Outreach	2,349	2,974		5,323	993
Subscriptions	107			107	107
Sundries	159			159	79
Misionary giving and grants	100		10,997	11,097	10,005
Parochial organisations general		54,619	200	54,819	41,437
Church activities 2022	**110,043**	**68,746**	**11,197**	**189,986**	**240,230**
Church activities 2021	106,318	123,307	10,605	240,230	

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3. RESOURCES EXPENDED	Unrestricted Funds Undesignated	Designated	Restricted Fund	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
3(b) Church management					
Administrator	17,673			17,673	17,078
Printing and photocopying	2,158			2,158	1,332
Bank and other sundry charges				0	0
Church management 2022	**19,831**	**0**	**0**	**19,831**	**18,410**
Church management 2021	*18,410*	*0*	*0*	*18,410*	
3(c) Cost of generating voluntary income					
Hall running costs	8,126			8,126	6,151
Other hall maintenance	3,936			3,936	2,339
Cost of generating income 2022	**12,062**	**0**	**0**	**12,062**	**8,490**
Cost of generating income 2021	*6,313*	*2,177*	*0*	*8,490*	
3(d) Fund raising costs	0			0	0
Total Resources Expended 2022	**141,936**	**68,746**	**11,197**	**221,878**	**267,129**
Total Resources Expended 2021	*131,040*	*125,484*	*10,605*	*267,129*	

4 STAFF COSTS	Unrestricted Funds Undesignated	Designated	Restricted Fund	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
4(a) Wages and salaries					
Gross payments	30,811	31,241		62,052	56,045
Social security costs	0	0		0	0
Employers Stakeholder pension	455	84		539	373
Wages & salaries 2022	31,266	31,325	0	62,591	56,418
Wages & salaries 2021	*25,105*	*31,313*	*0*	*56,418*	
Church					
Families and Youth worker	5,100			5,100	0
Cooordinator	17,340			17,340	16,730
Verger	5,868			5,868	5,663
Hall Cleaners & Caretaker	1,443			1,443	1,699
Occasional Organists	1,060			1,060	490
Gardener	0			0	205
Parochial Organisations					
Playgroup leaders		31,241		31,241	31,258
	30,811	31,241	0	62,052	56,045

During the year our Coordinator managed the Church, a Cleaner and a Caretaker managed the hall, an Organist conducted occasional duties. Employer social security costs did not reach the de-minimis level to require payment for the year. Our Coordinator is a PCC member and received £17,340 (2021: £16,730).

An Ofsted registered Playgroup, a Mothers and Toddlers group and a Tots group operate from the church hall. These Parochial Organisations employed 6 falling to 5 part time Playgroup leaders. No payment to an employee was large enough to attract employer social security costs. Together these employees amount to approximately 2 full time employee.

Expenses of £790 (2021: £860) were reimbursed to the Incumbent for telecoms, books, travelling and church resources.
Expenses of £678 (2021: £580) were reimbursed to the Curate for telecoms, books, travelling and church resources.
The Buntings, members of the PCC, received £10,800 (2021: £10,800) from the Church in rent for the Curate's flat at approximately 75% of the open market rate. No payment of fees or expenses were made to PCC Members or persons closely connected with them or to any related parties for their services as PCC charity Trustees.

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5 FIXED ASSETS	2022 £	2021 £
5(a) Tangible assets		
Freehold land and buildings		
Cost / valuation		
As at 1 January	357,856	357,856
Additions (disposals)	0	0
As at 31 December	357,856	357,856
Depreciation		
As at 1 January	357,856	357,856
Charge (released on disposals)	0	0
As at 31 December	357,856	357,856
Net book values		
As at 31 December	0	0

The freehold land and buildings comprise the Church Hall, Woodside Crescent, Sidcup. The book value is an amount estimated by the PCC as at 25 December 2000, for insurance purposes and has been fully depreciated.

6 CURRENT ASSETS	2022 £	2021 £
6(b) Debtors		
Tax recoverable	9,737	8,901
Other debtors	4,405	75
Prepayments	1,070	791
Parochial Organisation Other debtors	0	0
Total debtors	15,212	9,767

	2022 £	2021 £
6(c) Short term deposits		
Diocese of Rochester accounts		
General loan account	22,717	7,591
Legacy account	19,028	18,916
Sale of Parish Hall land	1,125	1,125
Church repair account	20,163	14,071
Hall repair account	4,546	3,506
	67,579	45,209
Santander deposit account	10,051	93
Total short term deposits	77,630	45,302

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	2022	2021
	£	£
6(d) Cash at bank and in hand		
Santander - current account	8,220	11,912
Santander - gift aid account	2,067	2,894
Commercial Banks - parochial organisations	30,709	36,493
	40,996	51,299

	2022	2021
7 CURRENT LIABILITIES	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year		
Sundry creditors	972	647
Accruals	9,386	4,472
Boiler loan repayable	6,000	6,000
Parochial Organisation & fees in advance	4,794	5,374
	21,153	16,493

8 FUNDS

	Balance at 1 January	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Reserves Transfers	Balance at 31 December
	£	£	£	£	£
8(a) Undesignated un-restricted reserves					
General reserves	46,147	169,771	(141,936)	(7,019)	66,963
Legacy reserves	5,043				5,043
	51,190	169,771	(141,936)	(7,019)	72,006
8(b) Designated un-restricted reserves					
Diocesan grants	0	4,627	(4,627)	0	0
Curate accommodation	0	9,500	(9,500)	0	0
Church repair reserves	5,925	92	0	6,000	12,017
Church hall repair reserves	3,973	21	0	1,019	5,013
Church building fund reserves	(26,457)	5,068	0	0	(21,390)
Parochial organisations reserves	31,119	50,415	(54,619)	0	26,915
Balance at 31 December	14,560	69,722	(68,746)	7,019	22,555
8(c) Restricted reserves					
Mission giving	0	11,197	(11,197)	0	0
Sale of Hall Land reserve	1,125	0	0	0	1,125
Total Reserves	66,875	250,689	(221,878)	0	95,686

9 FUNDS HELD AS CUSTODIAN TRUSTEE

Christ Church PCC does not hold any funds as a "Custodian Trustee" on behalf ao any other Individual, Company or Organisation.

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees - The PCC of Christ Church Sidcup Charity Number 1127351

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above named charity for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Respective Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the charity's Trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requitements of the Charities Act 2011. (the Act)

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charities Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake this examination by being aqualified member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW)

I have completed the requisite examination.
I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with my examination which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Ms Emilie Ann Radley BSc ACA
13 March 2023

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Mission & Charity Giving Analysed

	2022 £	2021 £
Overseas Agencies		
Crosslinks	3,915	2,457
Bible Society	1,917	2,220
Christian Aid	505	345
Christian Solidarity Worldwide	125	0
Lighthouse for Christ	0	800
	6,462	5,822
Home Agencies		
Church Pastoral Aid Society	1,455	1,570
Lark in the Park	1,257	1,433
CRIBS	1,266	1,480
	3,978	4,483
Other Charities		
Macmillan Nurses	200	100
Greenwich & Bexley Hospice	412	0
Demelza	0	200
Ukraine	145	0
	757	300
Total Mission Giving	**11,197**	**10,605**
Grants by the PCC		
Evangelical Alliance	100	200
Sidcup Debt Advice	0	100
	100	300
Grand Total	**11,297**	**10,905**

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF CHRIST CHURCH SIDCUP

England & Wales - Charity number 1127351

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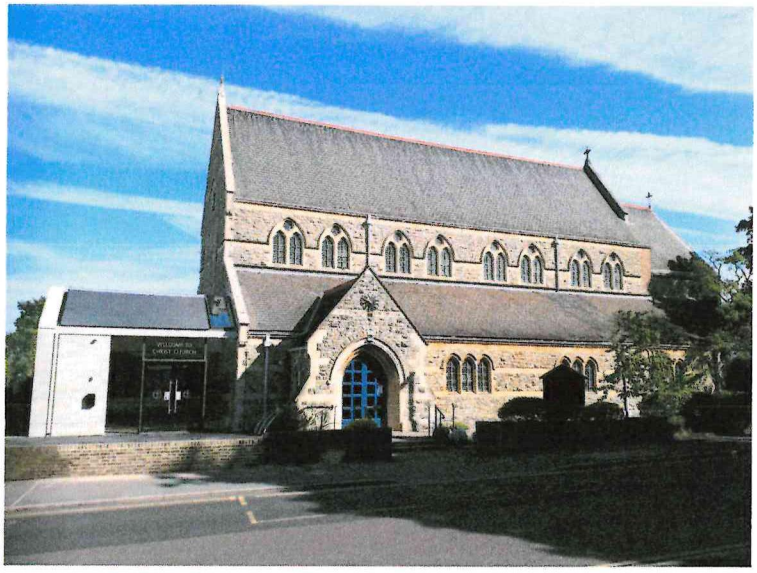
Christ Church Sidcup PCC

Annual Report

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Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2022



Independent examiner:
Ms Emilie Radley
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The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Christ Church, Sidcup PCC Annual Report for 2022

Administrative information

Christ Church is situated in Christchurch Road, Sidcup. It is part of the Diocese of Rochester within the Church of England. The correspondence address is The Vicarage, 16 Christchurch Road, Sidcup, Kent DA15 7HE. Christ Church, Sidcup PCC is registered with the Charity Commission No. 1127351.

Objectives

Christ Church, Sidcup PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Rev Thomas Parsons, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It also has maintenance responsibilities for the Church and Church Hall, Woodside Crescent, Sidcup. Further details are provided in Achievements and Performance later in this report.

PCC Membership

Members of the PCC are either ex officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules.

During the year the following served as members of the PCC:

Ex officio members:		
Incumbent:	The Rev Thomas Parsons	Chairman
Curate:	Rev Adam Curtis	
Reader:	Mr Andrew Young	
Wardens:	Mr Tom McMahon	
	Mrs Dawn Watson	
Deanery Synod Representatives:		
	Mr Stephen England	Until APCM 2023
	Mr Andrew Young	" " "
Elected members:	Ms Sarah Moore	Until APCM 2023
	Mr Philip Wigley	" " "
	Mr Robin Younghusband	" " "
	Ms Kelly Newman	" " "
	Mr Mike Barrett	Until APCM 2024
	Mr Howard Bunting	" " "
	Mr Leigh Evans	" " "
	Mrs Jenny Rutter	" " "
	Mr Daniel Beckley	Until APCM 2025
	Ms Carole Hazelgrove	" " "
	Ms Desi Lambina	" " "
Co-opted members:	Mr Paul Atkinson	Until APCM 2023
	Mr Greg Farrell	" " "
PCC Secretary	Mr Robin Younghusband	

PCC Committees
The PCC is assisted by four committees, which meet between full meetings of the PCC:

***Standing Committee*:**
This is the only committee required by law. It has power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the Council.

Mission Committee:
Attends to matters relating to the support of mission and relief agencies worldwide.

Fabric Committee:
Attends to matters relating to the stewardship of plant, such as the church buildings and fabric, the churchyard, the Vicarage and the Church Hall, Woodside Crescent, Sidcup

Build Committee:
Christ Church is completing a project aimed at developing the Christ Church building for the future. This Committee oversees these developments. The Committee has completed its work on the West Wing Annexe.

PCC Members are encouraged to develop their knowledge and understanding of the aims and objectives of the Church by also participating on one or more of the committees. Newly elected PCC members receive induction training according to their needs and previous experience with this or other charities.

Parochial Organisations
These accounts include the operation of Church Parochial Organisations that have their main allegiance to the PCC but which are managed independently by respective committees using facilities of the Church and Church Hall and have their accounts presented to the PCC on an annual basis.

The Parochial Organisations are:

Group Name	Audience	Meeting dates	Location
Mothers and Toddlers	0-5 & Carers	Thursday am term time	Church Hall
Tiny Tots	0-5 & Carers	Tuesday am term time	Church Hall
Christchurch Playgroup	Pre-School	Mon, Wed, Fri am term time	Church Hall
Boys Brigade	School Age	Fridays pm term time	Church Hall
Bumps and Babies	0-1 & Carers	Thursdays am weekly	West Wing
CYFA	School Age	Friday pm weekly	West Wing
Contact Club	Over 60's	Tuesday am weekly	Fellowship Rooms

Achievements and Performance

Review of the year

We can only be deeply thankful to God that 2022 was a year of energy and growth at Christ Church. At the start of the year the UK was still in the shadow of the Covid-19 pandemic. The story of the year could easily have been one of sluggish recovery. In fact, God has increased our activities, numbers, giving and staff team.

One development to highlight is the appointment of Kevyn Oliver, who began his work as Children, Youth and Family Minister in November. We had tried, unsuccessfully, to appoint someone to this sort of role over the last several years. Welcoming Kevyn and his family from Brazil has been a joy, and we are grateful for God's provision – both of Kevyn himself and of the finances to make the role possible.

Children and Youth ministry has gained momentum during the year. It was perhaps the area of church life hardest hit by the pandemic. But there has been a recovery. For example, during the summer, Desi Lambina held Sunday lunch BBQs for families with pre-school-age children. By the end of the year, we had a busier crèche than for some time and we were able to re-open Bright Sparks, the Sunday group for 3-5s which we had closed shortly before Covid struck. Our first holiday club for many years was held during the February half term for primary school age children. Meanwhile the two groups for older children (Pathfinders and CYFA) held a joint weekend away in the summer.

During the year, Christ Church has tried to keep a strong evangelistic focus. This is spear-headed by Adam Curtis, our Curate. He has led Christianity Explored, Life Explored and Hope Explored Courses. In March we were privileged to welcome Rory Steyn to speak at a packed dinner at the Limoncello restaurant. Rory was Nelson Mandela's chief bodyguard. He shared stories of his work with that great leader, and also about his relationship with Jesus Christ. Then in May, we welcomed Rico Tice to preach evangelistically in the morning service and in September, Glen Scrivener came to Christ Church for a whole day of evangelistic activities.
One event that tied together our focus on young people and on evangelism, was the Confirmation Service held in October. Ten members of Christ Church, representing all ages, took the step of public commitment to Christ. They were confirmed by the, then very new, Bishop of Rochester, Rt Revd Dr Jonathan Gibbs.

During the year, Christ Church has been joined both by people moving into the area and some from other churches. In addition, some have come to us without any kind of church background. During 2022 we continued to establish the Christ Church Welcome Course into our programme. This three-week course is designed to introduce newcomers to the life of the church. We also used the material for our Lent Course too, enabling longer-standing members discover what the newer people are being told about the church they know so well!

This year featured lots of opportunities for church members to meet together and deepen relationship, including a series of bring and share lunches after Sunday morning services. Best of all, around sixty adults and children spend a day away together at St Nicholas',

Sevenoaks. On a beautiful September day, we enjoyed the preaching of Angus MacLeay, Rector of St Nicholas', and a memorable afternoon in the Knole Park.

Regular fellowship has been sustained through our ten home groups which, this year, have shared in studies on 2 Timothy and 2 Corinthians. We are especially thankful for all the group leaders. Women of Faith, has continued to meet a need for fellowship and encouragement, not only for women in Christ Church but those from other local churches who come alone too.

There have been plenty of opportunities to welcome those not currently part of the church into our community life during this year. As always, the Contact Club acts as a bridge to many local people. It continues to be popular, with its stimulating programme of speakers and outings for the active retired. Likewise, the Craft Group, the Boys Brigade, Tiny Tots, Mums and Toddlers and Bumps and Babies serve many from our parish and wider area. In addition, during the year, we have offered the West Wing annexe as part of the national Warm Space initiative – a response to the cost-of-living challenges associated with rising heating costs.

In November, Christ Church joined another national initiative: Safeguarding Sunday. it was a privilege to welcome David and Pauline Pearson, founders of the safeguarding organisation, thirtyone:eight. We have strong links with the organisation through Church Warden, Dawn Watson. It was not only enriching to hear from David, but also an important opportunity to remind the church family of the vital importance of safeguarding in the life of the church.

The Church Council has worked well together during the year, rising in faith to the challenge of funding a new full time ministerial role. This decision has proved warranted in view of the significant rise in the regular giving to Christ Church which has contributed significantly to the very encouraging financial results for the year contained in this report. Likewise, we have been able to meet the challenge of paying off this year's instalment of the generous loan made to the PCC in 2021 for the replacement of the boiler.

As a church we are aiming to share in the life of Jesus and the share it out. The fulfilment of this goal is hard to quantify. As Vicar, however, I can honestly say that I believe we are experiencing more of Christ's presence and work among us. There are signs throughout the church that we are moving forward in the three directions we are aiming for: deeper, wider and younger.

There is still much more progress for us to pursue. But we end 2022 with gratitude to God that he seems to have placed the church in a stronger position – by many measures – than we enjoyed before the pandemic.

Church attendance

The previous Church Electoral Roll contained 145 names. 10 names were added during the year and 2 were removed. Therefore, the new Roll contains 153 names of which 51 live in the Parish and 102 live outside the Parish. The average weekly attendance during October was 117 over16 and 19 under 16. This number increases at festivals.

Safeguarding

The PCC has complied with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 and its duty to have regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults. Our safeguarding work is led by Parish Safeguarding Officer Dawn Watson.

Financial review

Weekly and monthly financial giving to the church has increased further, for which we are sincerely grateful. Services have returned to their regular pattern and are no longer disrupted by COVID-19 restrictions. This year, total regular giving including the value of tax credits was £137,718 against £134,607 in 2021. The increase follows a shift in giving by more Parishioners to regular contributions by way of standing order or routine bank transfer. Designated contributions to support the installation of a new boiler in Church amounted to £5,068. And further, we have also seen increased collections through the plate rising to £6,503, including the associated tax credit, against £4,010 in 2021 as new members join our congregation.

Use of the Church Hall, the fellowship rooms and the West Wing Annexe has bounced back far exceeding previous years. Regular users have been firmly established in all locations. Playgroup, Mothers & Toddlers, TOTS, Brownies and Boys Brigade, Contact Club all make valuable contributions, together with external groups like the New Eltham Dance School and Barclays Bank who are committed for the longer term. Add to that, there are numerous occasional bookings for meetings or training and party hire. So you can see how more than £15,000 has been received at the Hall and nearly £5,000 for the West Wing and Fellowship rooms.

The Diocese has supported the Church through a number of grants during the year. Continuing to help with the cost of accommodation for our Curate, enabling the purchase of resources from the Reinvigorate fund for Children and Youth and supporting the Church with energy cost offset grants. This total income of £14,127 compares with £9,500 in the previous year.

Our Parochial Organisations continue to operate effectively. However, in respect of the Playgroup, there has been a recent decline in birth rate combined with reduced inward migration and the consequences of COVID which have led to reduced numbers attending the playgroup, Its' finances were affected and it recorded an unhelpful deficit this year. The PCC remain reassured that each of the Parochial organisations has sufficient reserves to meet their liabilities and is able to continue operating effectively. The Playgroup Management Committee is taking steps to mitigate the temporary reduction in income.

Adam, our Curate is joined by Kevyn our Children, Youth and Families Minister making up our Ministry Team. We are very fortunate to have the financial surplus to employ such terrific human resources to support our mission of growth at Christ Church.

Mission giving remains an important focus at Christ Church. COVID hampered the traditional Mission day collections. The Committee sought ways to become more flexible and they increased the use of the Stewardship online channel which was welcomed.

Mission fundraising provided gifts of £11,197, this year, as against £10,605 previously. The Agencies and Charities in receipt of our support are disclosed on page 15 of these accounts.

At the end of December 2022, a total of £23,000, from the original loan to install the boiler, remains to be repaid over the next 4 years and we will continue with specific fundraising and appeals in order to lessen any draw upon general reserves.

After persistent questioning, Santander reappraised the fraud perpetrated on the Church in 2020 and concluded that we should benefit from a reimbursement of our loss. This has been gratefully received. The fraud gave rise to the double payment of maintenance expenses for 2020 and it is therefore appropriate to apply the credit to that same expenditure line.

Going Concern

After making appropriate enquiries the PCC has concluded that it has adequate resources to continue its activities for the foreseeable future. For this reason, it has continued to adopt the going concern basis for the preparation of these accounts.

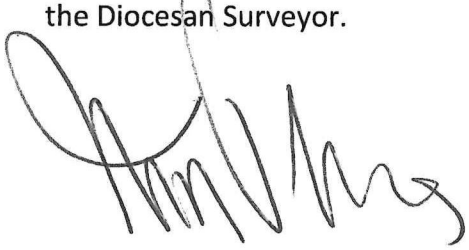
Reserves policy

The PCC reviewed its reserves policy and has concluded that ideally undesignated unrestricted reserves should match the average value of unrestricted payments in a year. This will cover emergency situations that may arise and provide a sensible working capital for the needs of the PCC.

By completing the boiler works ahead of receiving funding there is a temporary adverse reserve of £21,390 for which future fundraising will be needed to bring this project back into balance.

At the end of the current year general reserves, excluding the boiler deficit, remain at some 50% of that ideal target.

Designated reserves are set aside principally to meet repairs and improvements to the Church and Hall. These are reviewed on a 5-yearly basis in line with recommendations from the Diocesan Surveyor.



Approved by the PCC on 13th March 2023 and signed on their behalf by Tom Parsons Vicar.

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Sidcup

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds Undesignated	Unrestricted Funds Designated	Restricted Fund	Total 2022	Total 2021
		£	£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES						
Voluntary income	2(a)	144,221	55,482	11,197	210,900	191,763
Activities for generating funds	2(b)	25,322	0	0	25,322	13,989
Income from investments	2(c)	228	113	0	341	0
Other incoming resources	2(d)	0	14,127	0	14,127	11,653
Total Incoming Resources		169,771	69,722	11,197	250,690	217,405
RESOURCES EXPENDED						
Church activities	3(a)	110,043	68,746	11,197	189,986	240,229
Church management and admin	3(b)	19,831	0	0	19,831	18,410
Cost of generating voluntary income	3(c)	12,062	0	0	12,062	8,490
Fund-raising trading costs		0	0	0	0	0
Total Resources Expended		141,936	68,746	11,197	221,879	267,129
Net Movement in Funds		27,835	976	0	28,811	(49,724)
Transfers between reserves		(7,019)	7,019	0	0	0
Movement for the Year		20,816	7,995	0	28,811	(49,724)
Balances B/F 01 January	8	51,190	14,560	1,125	66,875	116,599
Balances C/F 31 December	8	**72,006**	**22,555**	**1,125**	**95,686**	**66,875**

There are no gains or losses on investment assets and there has been no revaluation of fixed assets reported in these accounts.

The notes on pages 9 to 13 form part of this account

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Balance Sheet at 31 December 2022

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible Assets	5	0	0
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	6(b)	15,212	9,767
Short term deposits	6(c)	77,630	45,302
Cash at bank and in hand	6(d)	40,996	51,299
		133,838	106,368
LIABILITIES			
Creditors - falling due in one year	7	(21,153)	(16,493)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		112,686	89,875
Creditors falling due after one year		(17,000)	(23,000)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		**95,686**	**66,875**
PARISH FUNDS	8		
Unrestricted - Undesignated General		66,963	46,147
Unrestricted - Undesignated Legacy		5,043	5,043
		72,006	51,190
Unrestricted - Designated Repair Funds		17,030	9,898
Unrestricted - Designated Church Building		(21,390)	(26,457)
Unrestricted - Parochial Organisations		26,915	31,119
		22,555	14,560
Restricted - Parish Hall Land		1,125	1,125
TOTAL FUNDS		**95,686**	**66,875**

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 13 March 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Rev. Tom Parsons - Vicar

Dawn Watson - Church Warden

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Preparation of Accounts

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in notes to the accounts and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities published on 16 July 2014.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention using the accruals accounting basis. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in Law. They do not include the accounts of other church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

Funds

Unrestricted funds comprise all reserves other than those restricted funds. General funds and legacies can be used by the PCC for any purpose. Some unrestricted funds have a designated use for the repair of the Church or Church Hall or by the Parochial Organisations. The PCC has additionally designated a building fund for the West Wing Annexe. The restricted fund has arisen following the sale of a small parcel of land adjacent to the Church Hall.

Incoming Resources

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received. Tax funds are recognised when the incoming resources to which they relate is received. Interest is accrued. All other income is recognised when it is receivable. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

Resources Expended

Amounts received specifically for mission are dealt with as restricted funds. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Going Concern

The PCC assess whether the use of going concern in the preparation of these accounts is still appropriate. The PCC assess whether there are material risks, uncertainties, events or conditions that cast significant doubt on the ability of the PCC to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives and meet its liabilities as they fall due as a going concern. The PCC make this assessment for a period of 1 year from the date of approval of these accounts.

Fixed Assets

Consecrated and benefice property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by s.96(2)(a) of the Charities Act 1993. Major new equipment purchased for use within the Church and Hall is depreciated on a straight line basis over 4 years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £5,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

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2. INCOMING RESOURCES	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted	Total	Total
	Undesignated	Designated	Fund	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£	£
2(a) Voluntary income					
Planned giving: Gift aid donations	104,774			104,774	103,571
Tax recoverable	25,045			25,045	24,814
Other	7,899			7,899	6,222
Collections on the plate inc GASDS	6,503			6,503	4,010
Donations and appeals		5,068		5,068	0
Legacies				0	0
Mission gift days and other giving			10,997	10,997	9,705
Parochial organisations general		50,415	200	50,615	43,441
Voluntary Income 2022	**144,221**	**55,482**	**11,197**	**210,900**	**191,763**
Voluntary income 2021	*129,242*	*51,916*	*10,605*	*191,763*	
2(b) Activities for generating funds					
Bookstall				0	0
Contact magazine				0	0
Church fees	2,739			2,739	3,539
Ministry fees	1,778			1,778	1,472
Church hall and fellowship room lettings	20,123			20,123	8,702
Sundry income	682			682	276
Activities generating funds 2022	**25,322**	**0**	**0**	**25,322**	**13,989**
Activities generating funds 2021	*13,989*	*0*	*0*	*13,989*	
2(c) Income from investments					
Interest receivable 2022	**228**	**113**		**341**	**0**
Interest receivable 2021	*0*	*0*	*0*	*0*	
2(d) Other income 2022		14,127		14,127	11,653
Other income 2021	*2,153*	*9,500*	*0*	*11,653*	
Total Incoming Resources 2022	**169,771**	**69,722**	**11,197**	**250,690**	**217,405**
Total Incoming Resources 2021	*145,384*	*61,416*	*10,605*	*217,405*	

3. RESOURCES EXPENDED	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted	Total	Total
	Undesignated	Designated	Fund	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£	£
3(a) Church activities					
Ministry costs	15,708	9500		25,208	19,572
Parish share	73,853			73,853	73,584
Church running expenses	17,179	1,653		18,832	15,924
Other church maintenance	(3,075)			(3,075)	76,032
Upkeep of services	2,124			2,124	1,737
Contact magazine & website	1,540			1,540	760
Support groups & Outreach	2,349	2,974		5,323	993
Subscriptions	107			107	107
Sundries	159			159	79
Misionary giving and grants	100		10,997	11,097	10,005
Parochial organisations general		54,619	200	54,819	41,437
Church activities 2022	**110,043**	**68,746**	**11,197**	**189,986**	**240,230**
Church activities 2021	106,318	123,307	10,605	240,230	

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3. RESOURCES EXPENDED	Unrestricted Funds Undesignated	Designated	Restricted Fund	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
3(b) Church management					
Administrator	17,673			17,673	17,078
Printing and photocopying	2,158			2,158	1,332
Bank and other sundry charges				0	0
Church management 2022	**19,831**	**0**	**0**	**19,831**	**18,410**
Church management 2021	*18,410*	*0*	*0*	*18,410*	
3(c) Cost of generating voluntary income					
Hall running costs	8,126			8,126	6,151
Other hall maintenance	3,936			3,936	2,339
Cost of generating income 2022	**12,062**	**0**	**0**	**12,062**	**8,490**
Cost of generating income 2021	*6,313*	*2,177*	*0*	*8,490*	
3(d) Fund raising costs	0			0	0
Total Resources Expended 2022	**141,936**	**68,746**	**11,197**	**221,878**	**267,129**
Total Resources Expended 2021	*131,040*	*125,484*	*10,605*	*267,129*	

4 STAFF COSTS	Unrestricted Funds Undesignated	Designated	Restricted Fund	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
4(a) Wages and salaries					
Gross payments	30,811	31,241		62,052	56,045
Social security costs	0	0		0	0
Employers Stakeholder pension	455	84		539	373
Wages & salaries 2022	31,266	31,325	0	62,591	56,418
Wages & salaries 2021	*25,105*	*31,313*	*0*	*56,418*	
Church					
Families and Youth worker	5,100			5,100	0
Cooordinator	17,340			17,340	16,730
Verger	5,868			5,868	5,663
Hall Cleaners & Caretaker	1,443			1,443	1,699
Occasional Organists	1,060			1,060	490
Gardener	0			0	205
Parochial Organisations					
Playgroup leaders		31,241		31,241	31,258
	30,811	31,241	0	62,052	56,045

During the year our Coordinator managed the Church, a Cleaner and a Caretaker managed the hall, an Organist conducted occasional duties. Employer social security costs did not reach the de-minimis level to require payment for the year. Our Coordinator is a PCC member and received £17,340 (2021: £16,730).

An Ofsted registered Playgroup, a Mothers and Toddlers group and a Tots group operate from the church hall. These Parochial Organisations employed 6 falling to 5 part time Playgroup leaders. No payment to an employee was large enough to attract employer social security costs. Together these employees amount to approximately 2 full time employee.

Expenses of £790 (2021: £860) were reimbursed to the Incumbent for telecoms, books, travelling and church resources.
Expenses of £678 (2021: £580) were reimbursed to the Curate for telecoms, books, travelling and church resources.
The Buntings, members of the PCC, received £10,800 (2021: £10,800) from the Church in rent for the Curate's flat at approximately 75% of the open market rate. No payment of fees or expenses were made to PCC Members or persons closely connected with them or to any related parties for their services as PCC charity Trustees.

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5 FIXED ASSETS	2022 £	2021 £
5(a) Tangible assets		
Freehold land and buildings		
Cost / valuation		
As at 1 January	357,856	357,856
Additions (disposals)	0	0
As at 31 December	357,856	357,856
Depreciation		
As at 1 January	357,856	357,856
Charge (released on disposals)	0	0
As at 31 December	357,856	357,856
Net book values		
As at 31 December	0	0

The freehold land and buildings comprise the Church Hall, Woodside Crescent, Sidcup. The book value is an amount estimated by the PCC as at 25 December 2000, for insurance purposes and has been fully depreciated.

6 CURRENT ASSETS	2022 £	2021 £
6(b) Debtors		
Tax recoverable	9,737	8,901
Other debtors	4,405	75
Prepayments	1,070	791
Parochial Organisation Other debtors	0	0
Total debtors	15,212	9,767

	2022 £	2021 £
6(c) Short term deposits		
Diocese of Rochester accounts		
General loan account	22,717	7,591
Legacy account	19,028	18,916
Sale of Parish Hall land	1,125	1,125
Church repair account	20,163	14,071
Hall repair account	4,546	3,506
	67,579	45,209
Santander deposit account	10,051	93
Total short term deposits	77,630	45,302

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	2022	2021
	£	£
6(d) Cash at bank and in hand		
Santander - current account	8,220	11,912
Santander - gift aid account	2,067	2,894
Commercial Banks - parochial organisations	30,709	36,493
	40,996	51,299

	2022	2021
7 CURRENT LIABILITIES	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year		
Sundry creditors	972	647
Accruals	9,386	4,472
Boiler loan repayable	6,000	6,000
Parochial Organisation & fees in advance	4,794	5,374
	21,153	16,493

8 FUNDS

	Balance at 1 January	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Reserves Transfers	Balance at 31 December
	£	£	£	£	£
8(a) Undesignated un-restricted reserves					
General reserves	46,147	169,771	(141,936)	(7,019)	66,963
Legacy reserves	5,043				5,043
	51,190	169,771	(141,936)	(7,019)	72,006
8(b) Designated un-restricted reserves					
Diocesan grants	0	4,627	(4,627)	0	0
Curate accommodation	0	9,500	(9,500)	0	0
Church repair reserves	5,925	92	0	6,000	12,017
Church hall repair reserves	3,973	21	0	1,019	5,013
Church building fund reserves	(26,457)	5,068	0	0	(21,390)
Parochial organisations reserves	31,119	50,415	(54,619)	0	26,915
Balance at 31 December	14,560	69,722	(68,746)	7,019	22,555
8(c) Restricted reserves					
Mission giving	0	11,197	(11,197)	0	0
Sale of Hall Land reserve	1,125	0	0	0	1,125
Total Reserves	66,875	250,689	(221,878)	0	95,686

9 FUNDS HELD AS CUSTODIAN TRUSTEE

Christ Church PCC does not hold any funds as a "Custodian Trustee" on behalf ao any other Individual, Company or Organisation.

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Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees - The PCC of Christ Church Sidcup Charity Number 1127351

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above named charity for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Respective Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the charity's Trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requitements of the Charities Act 2011. (the Act)

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charities Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake this examination by being aqualified member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW)

I have completed the requisite examination.
I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with my examination which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Ms Emilie Ann Radley BSc ACA
13 March 2023

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Mission & Charity Giving Analysed

	2022 £	2021 £
Overseas Agencies		
Crosslinks	3,915	2,457
Bible Society	1,917	2,220
Christian Aid	505	345
Christian Solidarity Worldwide	125	0
Lighthouse for Christ	0	800
	6,462	5,822
Home Agencies		
Church Pastoral Aid Society	1,455	1,570
Lark in the Park	1,257	1,433
CRIBS	1,266	1,480
	3,978	4,483
Other Charities		
Macmillan Nurses	200	100
Greenwich & Bexley Hospice	412	0
Demelza	0	200
Ukraine	145	0
	757	300
Total Mission Giving	**11,197**	**10,605**
Grants by the PCC		
Evangelical Alliance	100	200
Sidcup Debt Advice	0	100
	100	300
Grand Total	**11,297**	**10,905**