

# **The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St John the Baptist, Spalding, Lincolnshire**

**Registered Charity number 1127799**

## **ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**



### **Priest in Charge:**

Revd G S Bannister

### **Principal Bankers:**

Lloyds Bank plc  
Hall Place  
Spalding  
Lincolnshire

### **Independent Examinars:**

Duncan and Toplis Limited  
Chartered Accountants  
Enterprise Way  
Pinchbeck  
Spalding  
Lincolnshire

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## Parochial Church Council ("PCC") Members serving during 2024

### Ex Officio Members

<i>Priest in Charge:</i>	Rev Greg Bannister	(SC) (FC)
<i>Curate:</i>	Rev Richard Knowles	(SC)
<i>NS Assistant Priest:</i>	Rev Sophie Bannister	
<i>Hon Assistant Priest:</i>	Rev Pat Willson	(SC)
<i>Churchwardens:</i>	Mr David Grimshaw	(SC) (FC) ( <i>PCC Vice Chair</i> )

### *Elected Representatives on the Deanery Synod until 2026 APCM*

Ms Maria Stone  
Mrs Sarah Grimshaw

### PCC Elected Members: (All Elected at APCM on 21st April 2024 - on a rolling 3 year basis)

	Until APCM of	
Mrs Yvonne Edgoose	2025	
Mr Mark Ellis	2025 (FC) (SC)	( <i>PCC Treasurer May - December</i> )
Mrs Sarah Grimshaw	2027	
Mrs Freda Hilliar	2027 (SC)	( <i>PCC Secretary until 21/4/24</i> )
Mrs Betty Lennie	2027	
Mrs Julie Millington	2025 (FC)	( <i>PCC Assistant Treasurer</i> )
Mrs Hilary Moriaty	2027	
Mr Michael Moriaty	2025 (SC) (FC)	
Mrs Jacky Owens	2026	
Mr Stuart Parkin	2026	
Miss Elizabeth Roberts	2027	
Mrs Margaret Smith	until 21/4/24	
Mr Christopher Wood	2026	
Mr Paul Wilson	2026	

### PCC co-opted Secretary Mrs Allison Willson (*from 21/4/24*)

(SC) indicates Standing Committee member  
(FC) indicates Finance Committee member

### PCC Meetings

The full PCC met 10 times during the year and the average attendance was 80% (2023: 11 times and 78%)

The standing committee met 0 times in 2024 (2023:1 time) The finance committee met 5 times in 2024.

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ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, SPALDING  
ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All church attendees are encouraged to register on the Church Electoral Roll and to attend and vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM). The PCC is registered as a Charity. The Registered Charity Number is 1127799.

OBJECTS AND ACTIVITIES

St. John the Baptist Parochial Church Council ("PCC") has the responsibility of co-operating with the Minister in charge of the Parish in promoting within the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. They also have maintenance responsibilities for the Parish Church of St. John the Baptist, Hawthorn Bank, Spalding, Lincolnshire.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

The PCC considers that:-

- the operation of the Parish Church and its public acts of Christian Worship;
- its delivery of Baptism, Marriage and Funeral Services to any resident of the ecclesiastical parish;
- its involvement with three primary schools within its parish boundary;
- the use of its Lounge by local organisations and societies and regularly as a polling station; and the increasing use of its flexible church space for local community purposes; and
- the general spiritual support and teaching that it provides and offers to its members and to the local community;

combine to fully satisfy the requirement that, as a registered charity, the public benefit from its existence and its operation. The members have had regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit.

MEMBERSHIP

Members of the PCC are either ex officio or elected by the APCM in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. The members of the PCC during 2024 are set out on the previous page. The members of the PCC are the Trustees of the registered charity.

COMMITTEES

The PCC operates with two sub-committees together with additional ad hoc committees and teams which meet between full PCC meetings as the need arises:

*Standing Committee:* This is the only committee required by law. It has power to transact the business of the PCC between PCC meetings, subject to any directions given by the PCC. The committee met 0 times during 2024.

*Finance Committee:* This committee maintains an overview of the PCC's finances but has no executive powers.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

*Church Electoral Roll ("CER") and church attendance*

At the end of 2024 there were 113 people on the CER (2023: 115), 38 of whom are not resident within the parish (2023: 27). Details of Service of Public Worship conducted in addition to services at all the major Christian festivals are set out in the Review of the Year on page 4 of this financial pack.

*PCC Meetings*

The full PCC met 10 times during the year and the average attendance was 80%. (2023: 11 times and 78%). The Standing committee met 0 times during the year (2023: 1 times).

*Financial Review*

The full financial position is set out in the accounts on pages 6 to 15 of this annual report pack.

During 2024 our normal annual income amounted to £82,176 exceeding our normal annual expenditure of £81,769 by £407. We ended 2024 with general and designated reserves of £80,834 and restricted reserves of £23,965 making total reserves of £104,799.

*Reserves Policy*

St John's PCC targets to hold general unrestricted reserves equivalent to approximately 6 months normal income/expenditure at any time although this will be exceeded if additional reserves are being accumulated to fund future capital projects and/or major repairs. The unrestricted reserves at 31 December 2024 amounted to £59,090 which adequately satisfied this policy.

We are presently receiving grant funding as part of the Church of England Strategic Development Fund (SDF) project and monies for that purpose are accounted for as a new Restricted Fund.

Our Restricted Funds total £23,965 and comprise the "Langford Legacy" which can only be expended on "The Church building and its interior" of £21,944; a fund specifically set up for direct local charitable grants to be expended at the Vicar's discretion, "The Vicar's Discretionary Fund" of £51; Children and Families fund of £983; and funds held for third parties totalling £222 and other restricted funds totalling £765.

Reserves that are not required for immediate expenditure are held on deposit with the CCLA CBF C of E Deposit Fund.

## **Review of the Year ended December 2024**

2024 was a good year for St John's with much we can look back on and give thanks to God for.

### **Our pattern of worship Services.**

Our traditional services continued to meet regularly according to the pattern we ended 2023 on:

Sunday 8am spoken communion -twice a month  
Sunday 10:45 choral communion –weekly  
Thursday 10am spoken communion in the Church Lounge – weekly.

Over the course of 2024 the 9:15 informal service, which we initially trialled from September 2023, really became an established part of the worshipping life of St John's. We hope this broadening of the styles of worship on offer at St John's will mean we can encourage Christian faith through our services to a wider range of people. Most 9:15 services were Services of the Word with a contemporary band, preschoolers creche and a children's church group for primary school children. Roughly once every four to six weeks we celebrated Communion in a 9:15am All Age Service.

With this variety in worshipping styles, it has been and remains important that we remember we are one church not several. To that end we held 'All together' services on some Sundays at 10am where we gathered for a single service that brought together different elements from across the various traditions represented at St John's. For example, it was a joy to worship together on Harvest Sunday and then to have members of different congregations enjoy a harvest lunch together afterwards.

I'm grateful to my colleagues Pat, Richard and Sophie for their help in taking services, whatever the flavour and day and time, and under God thereby sustaining and encouraging the worshipping life of St John's.

We also held services that reached out to the wider community: the weather was finally good for the summer BBQ service in the vicarage garden; our All Souls service was appreciated by those who came; we enjoyed good attendance at our Christmas services with our Christingle service well supported by St John's School Choir, Rainbows and friends from the Polish Community; and our service of lessons and carols featured the St John's Choir, the Spalding Community Choir, singing another new carol written

by their director Zeph Churchill, and a performance by Jack and Sally Knowles.

### **People News.**

January 2024 saw the appointment of two new members of staff. Allison Willson was hired as our Church Administrator and Anthony Horton was appointed as our Children and Families Worker. For them both it was less a matter of joining St John's as coming back to St John's since they had both previously attended the 9:30 All Age Services set up by Peter Garland. Allison and Anthony both settled into their respective roles very quickly and as competent team-players they have both made a significant impact on church life in the last 11 months.

Allison, under the supervision of Dave Grimshaw, has taken on the day to day running of most of the administration related to church, along with being PCC secretary as well as drawing on her past experience working in banking to help out with the Treasurers team.

Anthony has overseen the delivery of our children's groups on Sundays, given our toddler group a complete refresh including building in elements of preschool/nursery/Reception curriculum into each session. Additionally, he started a monthly Saturday Dad's and children's outreach (Who let the dads out?) and a growing and lively youth group (TREK). He has also been delivery Collective Worship in St John's school weekly as well as helping teach RE lessons as and when asked. As if that wasn't enough, he has also run two holiday clubs and other outreach events like a very well attended Light Party on Halloween and Nativity Escape Room.

### **Church Building.**

Our building remains in essentially good condition – though the holes in the roof do need fixing. In addition to hosting church worship, it has been good to welcome St John's Primary School into the building for lessons and end of term services. We were also able to host special Mothers' Day and Fathers' Day events for the school. Both of these events were greatly appreciated by those who attended. As a church we also hosted a variety of other social and community events including the monthly Friday games afternoon, the annual Summer and Christmas Fayres, a harvest lunch etc... But for me the highlights were a wonderful Ceilidh in the Autumn and an iSINGPOP concert in November. I would like to express on the record my gratitude to Hilary Moriarty and the hospitality and fundraising teams for all their efforts in this regard.



### Church Lounge

Throughout 2024 the church lounge continued to be a happy home for the Tuesday Drop-in coffee morning and Thursday's communion services. A fortnightly Bible Study also ran on Thursday mornings after the communion service and by the end of 2024 the group had worked through the book of Acts. On Thursdays when there wasn't a Bible study, the lounge was also host to a daytime Alpha Course and then the Prayer Course. The Rainbows and Brownies continued to hire the hall and fill it with fun on Monday and Thursday evenings. We also continued to hire out the lounge to the Tollgate WI for the first part of the year until they decided they wanted to meet in the daytime.

### Schools

The church's link with St John's primary school continues to grow; leading collective worship, a weekly Monday afternoon fun challenge, RE lessons, end of term services and also hosting several uniform sales. During 2024 the school's foundation governors were as follows: Michael Moriarty (chair and then deputy chair), Rev Greg (ex officio), Jackie McPherson, Angela Marshall, Maryana Prots, and Rachel Wilson. We were also able to welcome Monkshouse Primary School for an RE lesson furthermore Anthony Horton has returned to the parish school to deliver collective worship there too.

### Other Ministries and events

Over the course of 2024 a number of small groups/activities ran: We have continued to offer the Alpha Course to those enquiring about Christian faith and/or looking for a refresher on the basics. We have also run the Prayer Course, the Bible Course and one Alpha cohort have gone on to form a fellowship group that now meets in church on Tuesday nights. The Wednesday night homegroup continued to meet regularly. Once a month there have also been prayer and praise meetings on a Wednesday night and 'termly' Saturday Night worship nights have also been held often with visiting speakers.

The Little Seeds toddler group continued to grow and develop both momentum and critical mass. However, it was decided that the Little Songs singing group had run its course and ended on a high with a joyous Christmas special in December.

Other 'fixtures' in the church's year including the annual fundraisers of the Summer and Christmas Fayre's, which continued to provide opportunities to engage the local community as well as raising funds for the church's ministry. A lunch to fundraise for

the leprosy mission took place as did other lunches that have nourished our community life as well as our stomachs, most notably the harvest lunch.

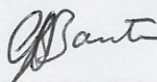
The St John's clergy team continued to carry out the occasional offices of baptisms, weddings and funerals. Ministry to care homes continued with monthly services in: Ashwood House, The Bungalow (a new and lay-facilitated initiative) and Southfield House. Clergy exercised a one-to-one visiting ministry in several other care homes including St John's.

The mothers' union fellowship group continued to meet providing an opportunity for encouragement and fellowship for its members.

The Parish Magazine continues to encourage its readership under the able editorial eye of Chris Wood.

Sorry if your activity has been omitted in this all too brief overview of the life of a busy church! St John's is so much more than a list of activities, it's a spiritual family and a living community of faith. Thank you to Dave Grimshaw and the PCC for their service, wisdom and support in 2024.

**Reverend G S Bannister** (Vicar and PCC Chair)



Dated: 22 APRIL 2025

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF  
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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**


	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowmen Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	2023 £
<b>RECEIPTS</b>							
Voluntary income	2(a)	65,561	260	35,188	-	101,009	102,629
Activities for generating funds	2(b)	8,283	-	751	-	9,034	9,472
Income from investments	2(c)	2,789	-	1,075	-	3,864	2,342
Income from church activities	2(d)	5,283	-	-	-	5,283	6,935
Collected for third parties	2(e)	-	-	7,628	-	7,628	6,709
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>		<b>81,916</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>44,642</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>126,818</b>	<b>128,087</b>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>							
Church activities	3(a)	80,146	135	32,072	-	112,353	111,954
Fund raising costs	3(b)	1,488	-	-	-	1,488	1,099
Paid for third parties	3(c)	-	-	7,741	-	7,741	6,354
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>		<b>81,634</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>39,813</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>121,582</b>	<b>119,407</b>
<b>EXCESS OF RECEIPTS OVER PAYMENTS</b>		<b>282</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>4,829</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,236</b>	<b>8,680</b>
<b>FUNDS TRANSFER</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
		<b>282</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>4,829</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,236</b>	<b>8,680</b>
<b>OPENING CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND AT 1 JANUARY 2024 (2024)</b>							
		<b>58,807</b>	<b>21,619</b>	<b>19,137</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>99,563</b>	<b>90,884</b>
<b>CLOSING CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND AT 31 DECEMBER 2024 (2024)</b>							
		<b>59,089</b>	<b>21,744</b>	<b>23,966</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>104,799</b>	<b>99,564</b>



**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF  
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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	2023 £
<b>PRINCIPAL MONETARY ASSETS</b>							
Cash at bank and in hand	6	59,089	21,744	23,967	-	104,800	99,563
<b>Total Monetary Assets</b>		<b>59,089</b>	<b>21,744</b>	<b>23,967</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>104,800</b>	<b>99,563</b>
<b>OTHER MONETARY ASSETS</b>							
Income tax recoverable		2,885	-	-	-	2,885	949
Monies Due		0	-	-	-	-	3,042
<b>Total monies owed</b>		<b>2,885</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,885</b>	<b>3,991</b>
<b>MONETARY LIABILITIES</b>							
Third party monies		(60)	-	222	-	162	-
Monies owed		1,433	-	-	-	1,433	1,225
<b>Total monies owed</b>		<b>1,373</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,595</b>	<b>1,225</b>
<b>PARISH FUNDS</b>							
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>							
Designated Funds Fabric Fund	8	-	21,248	-	-	21,248	21,248
Designated Funds Flower Fund	8	-	496	-	-	496	371
Total Designated Funds		-	21,744	-	-	21,744	21,619
General Fund	8	59,090	-	-	-	59,090	58,807
<b>Total Unrestricted Funds</b>		<b>59,090</b>	<b>21,744</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>80,834</b>	<b>80,426</b>
<b>Restricted Funds</b>							
Langford Legacy Fund	7	-	-	21,944	-	21,944	20,869
Vicar's Discretionary Fund	7	-	-	51	-	51	51
Leprosy Mission	7	-	-	-	-	-	260
Sundry	7	-	-	983	-	983	118
SDF	7	-	-	(18)	-	(18)	(3,279)
Warm Spaces and Poverty	7	-	-	783	-	783	783
Funds for third parties	7	-	-	222	-	222	335
<b>Endowment</b> The church has no endowment funds		-	-	-	-	-	-
		<b>59,090</b>	<b>21,744</b>	<b>23,965</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>104,799</b>	<b>99,563</b>

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

**Reverend G S Bannister**  (Priest in Charge and PCC Chair)

**Mr M Moriarty**  (Treasurer)

Dated: 22 April 2025

The notes on pages 8 to 12 form a part of these accounts

# THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, SPALDING

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

##### **Funds**

*Endowment funds are funds, the capital of which must be maintained; only income arising from investment of the endowment may be used either as restricted or unrestricted funds depending upon the purpose for which the endowment was established.*

*Restricted funds represent (a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest, and (b) donations or grants received for a specific object or invited by the PCC for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund. The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund. Where there is no separate investment, interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average basis.*

*Unrestricted funds are general funds which can be used for PCC ordinary purposes.*

*Designated Funds are Unrestricted Funds that the PCC has designated for a specific purpose and which the PCC may undesignate at any time if it wishes.*

##### **Incoming resources**

All income is recognized when it is received. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

##### **Resources expended**

All expenditure is generally recognized when it is paid and is accounted for gross.

##### **Fixed Assets**

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts in accordance with s.10(2)(a) of the Charities Act 2011.

Movable church furnishings that are held by the vicar and churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for their acquisition or disposal are inalienable property, listed in the church's inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time). These assets are not valued in the financial statement and expenditure on them is written off in the Statement of Financial Activity in the year that it is expended.

##### **Current Assets and Liabilities**

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of fees, rent or other income are shown as other monetary assets, less provision for amounts that may prove uncollectable.

Amounts owed by the PCC or held for 3rd parties are shown as Monetary Liabilities.

##### **Money collected for third parties**

All funds collected for third parties and not the immediate property of the PCC are treated by the PCC's accounting systems as "Agency Funds" and are treated as a Restricted Fund in these accounts. Any part of these funds due to the PCC is only transferred to the General Fund when the PCC becomes entitled to these funds.

##### **Church of England Strategic Development Fund project**

The Church has been selected to be a part of the Church of England Strategic Development project.

This includes initial Start Up Funding and a contribution towards specific staffing costs reducing from 100% of the cost equivalent of two full time staff in year one reducing by 20% per annum over 5 years.

The SDF funded element of this project is accounted for as a Restricted Fund and the Parish's increasing contribution will have to be funded from Unrestricted General Reserves as time progresses.



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**2. INCOMING RESOURCES**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS	
					2024 £	2023 £
<b>(a) Voluntary income</b>						
Planned giving:						
Gift Aided donations	30,858	-	-	-	30,858	36,043
Income tax recoverable thereon	8,287	-	-	-	8,287	9,137
Other planned giving	5,021	-	-	-	5,021	5,619
Collections (open plate) at all services	4,748	-	-	-	4,748	3,567
Gift Aid Grant on Small Donations	1,996	-	-	-	1,996	2,192
One-off giving						
Donations	14,314	260	-	-	14,574	2,153
Gift Aid on One-off Donations	337	-	-	-	337	325
Legacies	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grants	-	-	35,188	-	35,188	43,593
	<b>65,561</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>35,188</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>101,009</b>	<b>102,629</b>
<b>(b) Activities for generating funds</b>						
Fund raising events and activities	6,850	-	751	-	7,601	7,717
Magazine Income generated	1,358	-	-	-	1,358	1,652
Gift Aid on Magazine Sponsorship	75	-	-	-	75	103
	<b>8,283</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>751</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9,034</b>	<b>9,472</b>
<b>(c) Income from investments</b>						
Rental income	174	-	-	-	174	174
Interest received	2,615	-	1,075	-	3,690	2,168
	<b>2,789</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,075</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,864</b>	<b>2,342</b>
<b>(d) Income from church activities</b>						
Fees	3,031	-	-	-	3,031	3,633
Outreach	237	-	-	-	237	686
Church lounge lettings	1,858	-	-	-	1,858	2,429
Sundry sales	157	-	-	-	157	187
	<b>5,283</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,283</b>	<b>6,935</b>
<b>(e) Other incoming resources</b>						
Insurance Claims	-	-	-	-	-	520
Funds collected for third parties	-	-	7,628	-	7,628	6,189
	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7,628</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7,628</b>	<b>6,709</b>
<b>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES</b>	<b>81,916</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>44,642</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>126,818</b>	<b>128,087</b>

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**3. RESOURCES USED**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS	
					2024 £	2023 £
<b>3(a) Church activities</b>						
Ministry: Parish Share	33,000	-	-	-	33,000	33,000
Clergy expenses	1,094	-	-	-	1,094	783
Mission and Admin Staff Costs	14,404	-	27,477	-	41,881	28,479
Church running expenses	10,984	-	-	-	10,984	9,845
Service running costs	1,399	135	-	-	1,534	1,395
Children and Families Costs	548	-	861	-	1,409	-
Church maintenance and cleaning	10,314	-	-	-	10,314	8,855
Church clock & bell repairs	312	-	-	-	312	451
Church organ & piano repairs	240	-	-	-	240	220
Mission and outreach costs and donations	795	-	1,261	-	2,056	3,871
Fees of the organists and other choir costs	1,075	-	-	-	1,075	1,327
Magazine production	1,056	-	-	-	1,056	1,058
General sundries	1,613	-	-	-	1,613	2,590
Stationery, photocopying, computer costs, etc.	3,312	-	-	-	3,312	3,485
SDF Start-up Costs	-	-	2,473	-	2,473	16,595
	<b>80,146</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>32,072</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>112,353</b>	<b>111,954</b>
<b>3(b) Fund raising costs</b>						
Lottery prizes	555	-	-	-	555	635
Cost of Fetes & Festivals	933	-	-	-	933	464
	<b>1,488</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,488</b>	<b>1,099</b>
<b>3(c) Other outgoing resources</b>						
Paid for third parties	-	-	7,741	-	7,741	6,354
	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7,741</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7,741</b>	<b>6,354</b>
<b>TOTAL RESOURCES USED</b>	<b>81,634</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>39,813</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>121,582</b>	<b>119,407</b>

**4. STAFF COSTS** (Included in expenses above)

	2024 £	2023 £
a) Wages of the cleaner	-	2,133
Mission and Admin Staff Costs	41,881	28,479
Total Staff Costs	<b>41,881</b>	<b>30,612</b>

b) During the year the PCC employed two Mission and Admin staff members none of whom earned £40,000 p.a. or more. The previous role of Cleaner was outsourced to a cleaning company.

c) Additionally the following payments were made to members of the PCC in respect of their participation in wedding and funeral services

	2024 £	2023 £
Mr David Grimshaw (as vergor)	40	0

The above sums were passed directly on to the recipients through the Agency Restricted Fund having received the wedding couples and the undertakers. They are not included in the £41,881 referred to in Note 4(a) above.

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**5. GIVING TO CHARITY**

Our principal onward giving to charity results from ongoing fundraising for an enablement project in Mozambique managed by the **Leprosy Mission**.

Onward giving in this way has been made as follows:

Funds raised in 2024 and paid over during 2024	£751
Funds raised in 2023 accounted for in January 2024	£260
Total funds paid over during 2024	£1,011

NB : We have decided that in 2025 the Church will no longer be involved in the direct collection and distribution of funds for Leprosy Mission. Individual donations from individuals will now go directly to the local administrator of the scheme.

Fundraising was also undertaken and paid over in 2024 as follows:

**The Children's Society** (Christingle Appeal)

Funds raised and paid across in in 2024	£147
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**Worship Evening**

Collection on behalf of Rev Coles raised and paid in 2024	£135
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**6. CASH AT BANK & IN HAND**

	2024				2023
	Unrestricted £	Designated £	Restricted £	Total £	£
Lloyds Bank Current & Deposit Accounts	954	21,744	2,053	24,751	54,453
CCLA CBF Deposit Fund	58,086	-	21,914	80,000	45,000
Charge Card	0	-	0	-	-
Cash In hand	49	-	-	49	110
	<b>59,089</b>	<b>21,744</b>	<b>23,967</b>	<b>104,800</b>	<b>99,563</b>



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**7. RESTRICTED FUND DETAILS**

	Opening balance 01/01/2024 £	Funds added £	Funds used £	Funds transferred within restricted funds £	Funds transferred to/from unrestricted funds £	Carried forward 31/12/2024 £
Langford Legacy	20,869	1,075	-	-	-	21,944
Vicars Discretionary	51	-	-	-	-	51
Leprosy Mission	260	751	(1,011)	-	-	-
Sundry	118	1,976	(1,111)	-	-	983
Strategic Development Fund	(3,279)	33,212	(29,951)	-	-	(18)
Warm Spaces & Poverty Relief	783	-	-	-	-	783
Funds for third parties	335	7,628	(7,741)	-	-	222
	<u>19,137</u>	<u>44,642</u>	<u>(39,814)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>23,965</u>

The negative balance of £18 on the Strategic Development Fund represents payments made before 31/12/24 which are to be claimed back during 2025.

**8. GENERAL FUND DETAILS**

	Opening balance 01/01/2024 £	Funds added £	Funds used £	Funds transferred within unrestricted funds £	Funds transferred to/from restricted funds £	Carried forward 31/12/2024 £
Designated Funds						
Fabric Fund	21,248	-	-	-	-	21,248
Flower Fund	371	260	(135)	-	-	496
Total Designated Funds	<u>21,619</u>	<u>260</u>	<u>(135)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21,744</u>
Undesignated General Funds	58,807	81,916	(81,633)	-	-	59,090
Total Unrestricted Funds	<u>80,426</u>	<u>82,176</u>	<u>(81,768)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>80,834</u>

**9. THIRD PARTY FUNDS HANDLED BY PCC**

During the year funds were collected for third parties or which were not for the immediate use of the PCC. These are held in a restricted fund and were collected and paid on or released for the following purposes.

	Opening Balances 01/01/2024	Receipts	Payments	Closing Balances 31/12/2024
Childrens Society	-	-	-	-
Funeral Collections to Forward	-	3,364	(3,364)	-
Funeral Control	(185)	1,609	(1,642)	(218)
Lottery Control	60	1,230	(1,110)	180
Other Collections to Forward	-	507	(507)	-
Wedding Control	400	918	(1,118)	200
	<u>275</u>	<u>7,628</u>	<u>(7,741)</u>	<u>162</u>

## **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, SPALDING**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024 which are set out on pages 1 to 11.

### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements 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 Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

### **Independent examiner's statement**

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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.

Signed:



Alistair Main FCA

Duncan & Toplis Limited  
Enterprise Way  
Pinchbeck  
Spalding  
Lincolnshire

**Date** 24 April 2025

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Unrestricted Funds				Restricted Funds								Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	General Fund		Designated Funds		Total Unrestricted Funds									
	£	£	Flower Fund £	Fabric Fund	£	Langford Legacy £	Vicar's Discretionary £	Leprosy Mission £	Children & Families & Sundry £	Strategic Development Fund £	Warm Spaces & Poverty Relief £	Funds for third parties £	Total Restricted Funds £	£
<b>Receipts in the year</b>														
<b>Voluntary Income</b>														
Planned Giving Gift Aided	30,858.45		-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
IncomeTax reclaimed on above	8,286.57		-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Planned Giving not Gift Aided	5,020.90		-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Other "Open Plate" service collections	4,747.61		-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
One-off donations	14,314.41		260.00	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Income Tax on "One-off" donations	336.88		-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
GASDS Tax relief obtained	1,995.84		-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Legacies	-		-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Grants	-	65,560.66	-	-	65,820.66	-	-	-	1,976.00	33,212.00	-	-	35,188.00	101,008.66
<b>Activities for generating funds</b>														
Fund Raising Activities	5,739.91		-	-		-	-	751.00	-	-	-	-	751.00	
Lottery Income	1,110.00		-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Magazine Income	1,358.36		-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Tax reclaimed on Magazine Sponsorship	75.00	8,283.27	-	-	8,283.27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,034.27
<b>Income From Investments</b>														
Rental Income	174.00		-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Interest	2,615.35	2,789.35	-	-	2,789.35	1,075.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,075.00	3,864.35
<b>Income from our Church activities</b>														
Fees	3,031.00		-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Outreach (Junior Groups)	237.32	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Lounge letting income	1,857.50		-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Sundry Sales	157.10	5,282.92	-	-	5,282.92	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,282.92
<b>Other incoming resources</b>														
Insurance claims	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Funds collected for third parties	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,628.37	7,628.37	6,709.00
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>81,916.20</b>		<b>260.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>82,176.20</b>	<b>1,075.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>751.00</b>	<b>1,976.00</b>	<b>33,212.00</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7,628.37</b>	<b>44,642.37</b>	<b>126,818.57</b>
<b>Payments in the year</b>														
Parish Share	33,000.00		-	-	33,000.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33,000.00
Heating, light, water & Insurance	10,983.73		-	-	10,983.73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,845.13
Church maintenance & cleaning	10,866.12		-	-	10,866.12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,526.59
SDF start-up costs	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,473.48	-	-	2,473.48	16,595.00
Service running costs (inc Organists)	2,473.69	135.26	-	-	2,608.95	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,721.22
Administration and ministry salaries	14,237.32		-	-	14,237.32	-	-	-	-	27,477.15	-	-	27,477.15	28,249.65
Administration and ministry support	6,733.06		-	-	6,733.06	-	-	-	860.98	-	-	-	860.98	7,426.18
Outreach and Charitable Giving	795.44		-	-	795.44	-	-	1,011.00	249.71	-	-	-	1,260.71	3,168.40
Advertising	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	364.20
Charitable donations made	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Magazine production costs	1,055.74		-	-	1,055.74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,057.99
Lottery prizes	555.00		-	-	555.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	635.00
Other fundraising costs	932.69		-	-	932.69	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	463.94
Paid for third parties	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,741.37	7,741.37	6,354.00
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>81,632.79</b>	<b>135.26</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>81,768.05</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,011.00</b>	<b>1,110.69</b>	<b>29,950.63</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7,741.37</b>	<b>39,813.69</b>	<b>121,581.74</b>
Opening Balances at 01/01/2024	58,807.00		371.00	21,248.00	80,426.00	20,869.00	51.00	260.00	118.00 ( 3,279.00 )		783.00	335.00	19,137.00	99,563.00
Receipts in the year	81,916.20		260.00	-	82,176.20	1,075.00	-	751.00	1,976.00	33,212.00	-	7,628.37	44,642.37	126,818.57
	140,723.20		631.00	21,248.00	162,602.20	21,944.00	51.00	1,011.00	2,094.00	29,933.00	783.00	7,963.37	63,779.37	218,970.00
Less Payments	( 81,632.79 )	( 135.26 )	0.00	0.00	( 81,768.05 )	0.00	0.00 ( 1,011.00 )	( 1,110.69 )	( 29,950.63 )	0.00 ( 7,741.37 )	( 39,813.69 )	( 121,581.74 )	( 119,407.30 )	
Closing Balances at 31/12/2024	59,090.41		495.74	21,248.00	80,834.15	21,944.00	51.00	0.00	983.31 ( 17.63 )		783.00	222.00	23,965.68	104,799.83



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SUMMARY OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Unrestricted Funds				Restricted Funds							Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	General Fund	Flower Fund	Fabric Fund	Total Unrestricted Funds	Langford Legacy	Vicar's Discretionary	Leprosy Mission	Sundry	Straegic Development Fund	Warm Spaces & Poverty Relief	Funds for third parties	Total Restricted Funds	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Cash Funds</b>													
Lloyds Bank Accounts	954	496	21,248	22,698	-	51	-	1,013	( 17 )	784	222	2,053	24,751
CCLA's CBF Deposit Funds	58,086	-	-	58,086	21,914	-	-	-	-	-	-	21,914	80,000
Charge Card	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cash	49	-	-	49	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	49
Total Current Assets	59,089	496	21,248	80,833	21,914	51	-	1,013	( 17 )	784	222	23,967	104,800
<b>Other Monetary Assets</b>													
Income tax Recoverable	2,885	-	-	2,885	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,885
Other Monies Due	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total monies owed to the Church	2,885	-	-	2,885	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,885
<b>Monetary Liabilities</b>													
Third Party Monies	( 60 )	-	-	( 60 )	-	-	-	-	-	-	222	222	162
Owed for supplies	1,433	-	-	1,433	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,433
	1,373	-	-	1,373	-	-	-	-	-	-	222	222	1,595