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Activities

Objects: PROMOTING IN THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH THE WHOLE MISSION OF THE CHURCH.

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Classification

- **How:** Provides Other Finance, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** UNDEFINED. IN PRACTICE, LOCAL.
- Sheffield City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£402,826	£609,776	-	-
2024-12-31	£625,896	£879,723	£305,423	3
2023-12-31	£443,608	£321,853	-	-
2022-12-31	£164,867	£168,879	-	-
2021-12-31	£164,867	£168,949	-	-
2020-12-31	£158,401	£144,032	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Dawn Marie Carter		2024-05-14
Dr ANITA MERLE CAMPBELL		
Dr Robert Alan Hunt		2024-05-14
Jane Adams Ross Closs		2024-05-14
Jill Bush		2021-04-13
Julia Stevens		2025-05-06
Lena PLASKITT		2023-05-16
Margaret Winstanley		2021-04-13
Olayinka Oluwole		2021-04-13
Paul Archer		2021-04-13
Paula Dowson		2021-04-13
Rev Andrew Patrick		2021-11-01
Sarah OXBY		2023-05-16
Shirley Marion Hollis		2024-06-11

Accounts

A nighttime photograph of Christ Church Dore, a stone church with a tall spire, illuminated by warm lights. The church is viewed through the dark, bare branches of trees. In the foreground, a cemetery with various tombstones and a wooden fence is visible. The scene is misty or foggy.

Christ Church Dore Annual Report 2025

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Welcome by Rev Andrew Patrick Priest in Charge Christ Church Dore

Wow, what a year!

Firstly, let me take you to a scene. It is Easter Morn, at first light, and a charcoal fire is burning brightly, as the dawn chorus leads our worship. We are gathered together by the magnificent oak doors of the new entrance to Christ Church Dore and the time has finally arrived. This is the moment we have been waiting for, aching for, praying and working tirelessly for.

We light the paschal candle and pray these words:

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

*May the light of Christ, rising in glory,
banish all darkness from our hearts and minds.*

The light of Christ

Thanks be to God

And we are here, together, ready to *step into the light* of our resurrected Lord and his resurrection faith on this new day in our beautifully restored and reordered Dore Parish Church. Alleluia!

It was quite a journey getting here but here we now are and we are so grateful. By hook or by crook (and good bit of prayer) we have made it and are so appreciative of all the hard work of many to get us to this point.

Our year began *on tour*, once again, with our contractors T&C Williams diligently labouring away to keep the project on track – special mention to our site manager, Dean Robinson, and MD, Andrew Phillips. They were graciously coaxed all the way by our client's representative, Martin Blower who ensured that the project remained both economically viable and on the right track. Of course, in naming people specifically the problem always is that you leave people out – apologies if this is you! ... *'and your Father who sees in secret will reward you...'*

Our congregation have shown remarkable resilience, grace, and goodwill during our period of exile – what a wonderfully special group of people. Also, the generosity! I've been blown away by what people in our church have given – to provide over 60% of a £1.3m project is remarkable. We are so blessed.

Naturally, there was excitement about our return to the church building and it felt like such a significant and meaningful opportunity to do this on Easter Day.

We marked the special moment of our reopening with three *in house* commissions – a glorious piece of choral music written by Robin Condliffe called 'On Easter Morn', a wonderful poem by Sue Knights entitled 'All things new', and a beautiful illustration of the new entrance by Helena Mackevych.

At the 10am service on Easter Day we had well over 200 people in attendance and were led in sung worship by our very own Christ Church Dore Community Easter Choir.

The next Sunday we enjoyed an Easter Egg Hunt and *Egg-tivity* service, particularly aimed at children in the village. And, then, a week later we welcomed the Bishop of Sheffield, Pete Wilcox, for our official rededication – a truly joyful and special time of blessing.

The reordered space has provided exactly what we wanted it to do so – a warm and welcoming space that is adaptable, accessible and hospitable, retaining its historic beauty, and yet filled with light and brightness.

The scriptures are full of references to light and so too now our church building is full of light, pointing to a greater light. Our churches must always point to Jesus.

Two events in particular stand out in my mind that demonstrated the new potential of the space. The first was the incredible *Drawn to Imperfection* exhibition by Dave Nevard (with accompanying book along with reflections by David Painting) that Shirley Hollis organised in September. Such an innovative use of the space, and, as above, pointing to Jesus.

The second, was the *Bring and Bounce* post-service event in November with inflatables filling the church along with a bunch of excited children and young families sharing in loving community. ‘*Let the little children come to me...*’ Jesus loved a party.

These are just the beginnings of the plans that the Lord has for this building, for us and for our village.

Last year, I mentioned that the clue to our mission lies in our name – Christ Church Dore. Now that we have a beautifully reordered church building we can embrace this call in a fresh way – loving Christ, being church and serving Dore.

I’m so excited for all that awaits. With love, deep gratitude and my prayers,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Andy". The script is fluid and cursive, with the 'A' being particularly large and stylized.

Rev'd Andy Patrick



All Are Welcome



History
Talk



Wreath
Making



Art
Exhibition



Steel City Choir

Music Bingo



We welcomed the community into the church building for many events, including:

- Open Day with talks on the history of the church building.
- An art exhibition.
- Music bingo
- Wreath making
- Regular Children's activities.
- Concerts by local choirs



Weekly Services and Church Family Life



There have been two services on Sundays and a mid week service on Thursdays. During the week people have met together in housegroups, to serve together or to socialise.



Children at Christ Church Dore

Welcome to our All Age Advent Service



Advent Sunday

All Age Services

Family Fun – Bouncy Castles



Weekly Services



Children have joined in church life and are an important part of our regular worship. There have also been age appropriate groups held on Sundays and a toddler group held during the week at Christ Church Dore Community Centre.



Baptisms

Special Services



Memorial Service



Inauguration Service



Christmas



Easter



Remembrance Service



Weddings

During the year we held many special services these have included:

- Weddings
- Funerals
- A Memorial Service
- Remembrance service
- The Inauguration of the new building
- Christmas and Easter

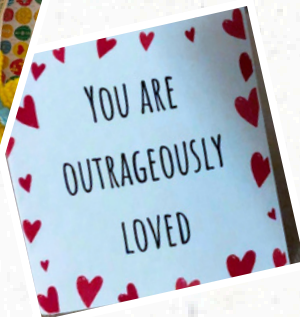


Outreach

Easter and
Valentines Day gifts



Carol'oke in
local pubs.



Steel City Choir

Children's Crafts



Many outreach events took
place throughout the year
including:

- Handing out gifts to the community at Easter and Valentines day.
- Regular fun activities for Local Children.
- Carol singing in local pubs.
- Supporting workers in Cameroon.
- Alpha and Beta.

In addition we have supported
Hazel Gray, Wycliffe, Tearfund and
The Oakes



Teddy Zip Wire



Sheffield Health
Walks



Christ Church Dore Community Centre



Dore Literature
Group



Dore Male
Voice Choir



Paint Party



Christ Church Dore
Toddler Group



Dore School of
Performing
Arts

Christ Church Dore
Community Centre is the
venue for many community
events, the photos show just a
small number of the activities
which take place weekly.



Art Club

Fabric Committee

At the beginning of 2025 the Fabric Committee had formed in order that it could be able to take over the oversight of the building and churchyard as the church reopened on Easter Day, April 20th.

The terms of reference had been accepted by the PCC and the committee set about designing systems for monitoring the building and churchyard and also divided out the labour according to each member's strengths and interests. The committee membership was drawn from a wide range of backgrounds. Members are Anita Campbell (chair), Angela Clarke (eco-champion), Andy D'Souza Walsh (retired architect), Bob Hunt (Treasurer), Sarah Oxby (churchwarden), Andy Patrick (priest in charge), Spencer Pitfield (specialist in organisational development and interest in sustainability) and Mark Saxton (community focus and churchyard families' liaison).

Churchyard

Many will be aware that the churchyard was officially closed for any new graves in 2013. Sheffield City Council has responsibility for its upkeep and safety and regularly check headstone stability and the health of the trees. The church receives feedback from relatives of those buried here, local residents and Dore Archives Research Team about the condition of memorials and the difficulty with uneven ground. Mark Saxton has been working behind the scenes with families and the stonemasons Freeman Daynes.

Our churchyard is a fantastic resource for studying natural history/ biodiversity and social history. The 'Adopt a Grave' scheme helps keep some of the graves tidy and with the help of Dore Archives Research Team a history of the person buried and their immediate family is written up for the adopter. In this way throughout the year more social history of Dore was built up. In November 2025 the military histories from the graveyard leaflet was published and they are available for people to take from the back of church. The Church Lane gate and the Lychgate gate were renovated and returned during 2025.

Church building handover

Between the practical handover and the official opening much work was done to get things ready for Easter Day. Some old friends returned: the renovated/conserved Decalogue Plaque in the chancel and the painting "The Sower" on the west wall of the nave. New artefacts were introduced: the old Psalm Board from 1745 found its way back to our church donated by the descendent of Richard Furness who designed our church. The 20th century history was celebrated with the Hassock Quilt. A beautiful oak altar table was delivered after the official opening but was well worth waiting for.

12 months defects period

As with any major renovation there are bound to be snags which only become apparent after the handover and opening. With Christ Church these can be categorised as:

- Bell Tower access issues identified by bellringers which remain.
- Under Floor Heating not sufficient with onset of cold weather- now sorted out.
- Main west door sticking when heavy rain and Gilgen outer automatic door malfunction which were addressed

In addition, there was other work to be completed from the re-ordering phase:

- Assent, our building control advisors went into liquidation in September 2025 and building control issues remain to be resolved with the help of the architect.
- Not enough storage in the clergy vestry and a place for gardening equipment required- a tool store in the churchyard needed, cupboard in vestry built, awaiting Chancellor to decide re the faculty on the tool store.
- A faculty for removal of the choir stalls was not completed at the time of re-ordering.
- A fire risk assessment was completed during Summer 2025 and outstanding issues were addressed. The priority issue was the remedial work needed in the boiler room to make the area more fire resistant.
- There was inevitable damage to the path leading to the Church Lane gate during the time the contractors were on site and at some stage this unevenness will need to be addressed.

Sustainability and preserving/increasing biodiversity

Christ Church is rightly proud of being an A Rocha silver award Eco Church. One of the reasons we could not go for gold in 2022, before reordering, was the high carbon footprint due to inefficient heating system and heat loss. We have a heating system which now uses approximately half the energy that it did before when reviewed at the end of December 2025. Thanks go to Andy D'Souza Walsh who has monitored the heating via remote apps during different conditions since April 2025 and advised us how best to manage.

energy use and comfort during services and events. We use green sanitary and cleaning products. We have needed to remind users of the kitchen that we only use Fairtrade coffee, tea, sugar, chocolate. Thanks go to people who donate this regularly in order that we can provide a high standard of hospitality.

The biodiversity in the churchyard suffered a loss with the building work during the first quarter of 2025 and a Landscape Management Plan has been written by the committee and accepted by the PCC for promotion in early 2026. This will, we hope, balance the needs of access to the graves with the needs of nature, specifically wild flowers which then help pollinators and other invertebrates, which provide food for the birds we love to see.

Robust systems as we move into 2026

There are log books now set up for the schedule of maintenance of church and churchyard based on a Diocesan template and adapted to the needs of Christ Church. Unscheduled work is similarly logged and followed. All fire alarm testing and fire drills are logged. The last Quinquennial Inspection was in 2021 and is no longer relevant to refer to. There is a Quinquennial Inspection booked for the architect to do in March 2026.

There are problems emerging with the roofing of the nave and chancel which are separate from the re-ordering. Climate change seems to be causing periods of draught followed by very intense downpours, which in turn causes us problems with leaks. According to the Quinquennial Inspection of 2015 the main roof was re-roofed in 2007 and much of 2026 will be focused on avoiding any further water ingress.

Anita Campbell

Deanery Synod Report 2025

Our church is part of Ecclesall Deanery which in turn is twinned with Attercliffe Deanery. Your representatives along with Andy Patrick attended all the meetings through 2025.

These meetings offered an opportunity to see how other churches in the area are developing and hear their ideas.

A vibrant meeting took place in February concerning Racial Justice. The Revd Anesia Cook presented and our attention was drawn to various resources we have subsequently utilised in our Black Lives Matter work and celebrating Black History Month in October.

There was a meeting explaining how approximately 14 million from the central Church of England over three years (Triennium funding) was to be spent. Sheffield had been successful in its bid and basically all the money was accounted for at the time of the application. It had been a bit disappointing for us as the focus was rightly on parishes with much less wealth and resources. However, money spent on supporting and training Children and Families workers may help us in the future. We also heard how the Diocesan strategy was not changing, just developing. Therefore, the Renewed Released Rejuvenated Strategy continues for 2025-2031.

The third deanery synod meeting explored various options for developing lay leadership and was presented by the Lay Leader Enabler, Beth Burras. There are nationally licensed Readers, Diocesan authorised lay ministry, e.g. Parish Evangelists and Children and Families workers. A third group is of locally commissioned lay ministers, e.g. leading a craft group, eco champion work. This is according to local need and guided by the priest in charge.

A further meeting gave us the opportunity to meet with our new Bishop Leah, Archdeacon David and Bishop Pete. It was a joyous and fun occasion when we heard about how Bishop Leah and Archdeacon David had come to faith, and their positions now, from unlikely working class backgrounds. Bishop Pete led us in worship and provided a reflection on Psalm 105 and how we can give praise to the Lord.

Throughout the year Anita Campbell and Jane Closs have been the elected Deanery Synod Representatives. 2026 will be a year of election. At the APCM Anita Campbell will stand down after a term of three years, and Jane Closs will stand again after serving 2 years in a casual vacancy. If you are interested in standing for election, this role can give you an insight into how we work within the wider church. Anita or Jane can give you further information.

Anita Campbell

Jane Closs

Safeguarding Report

“Safeguarding is not a frustrating duty, or a boring tick box exercise, it is a call to demonstrate and actively live out the character of God himself. We are called to be the body of Christ on earth, if we fail to make the church a safe place for all, then we fail at our most fundamental task and bring the very character of God into disrepute.”

Venerable David Gerrard, Archdeacon of Sheffield and Rotherham - Excerpt from the Diocese of Sheffield Safeguarding Newsletter Winter 2025

After many years as the Parish Safeguarding Officer, Yvonne Twelvetrees stepped down last June. We are very grateful for all that she did and for her help in handing over the reins. She has kindly offered to continue to administer the necessary DBS checks for all required roles within the church.

As a new Parish Safeguarding Officer, one of my first priorities was to complete the necessary diocesan training courses. Having worked for many years in schools, I was familiar with many aspects of the training but was really struck by the particular challenges within the church setting. The intersection of statutory requirements plus a volunteer ‘workforce’ against the background of historic (and not so historic) breaches of trust within the church seems a very difficult line to walk. How do we ensure compliance and a new understanding of what it means to be safe and to protect those within our church whilst also maintaining a sense of welcome and family. We want our church to be a place where people rely on one another, where friendships are real but we also have to be clear about our obligations and make sure that we are doing what is required of us and what is needed for our church to be a safe place for all.

With the move back into the re-ordered church building it has been an appropriate time to reevaluate our safeguarding procedures and policies and for necessary changes to be made. For this year, the focus of our safeguarding Action Plan is on training, communication around safeguarding and storage of both physical and digital sensitive information.

All safeguarding policies have been reviewed and agreed by the PCC. In regard to our current safeguarding procedures, I worked alongside the vicar and the churchwardens to consider the current roles within the church and what training was needed in order to be compliant with the stipulations from the Diocese. An audit was conducted to check the training that had taken place and to see what new training was required. As a result, many courses have been completed and refreshed in the last few months and new volunteers are completing safeguarding training alongside their DBS before beginning their role. This is still a work in progress but we now have a clear plan going forward.

This has also been a time of reflection and change regarding our children's work and safeguarding is a key part to this. Alongside the training element, we have considered the storage of data (both physical and digital) and are planning on conducting more scenario based training within meetings to ensure that all volunteers are fully equipped for the important role that they are undertaking. We are very thankful for the growing numbers of children and families that we are seeing within the church and for the growing numbers of volunteers working with them. Alongside this, training for those working with vulnerable adults has also been highlighted, both within the church itself and through initiatives such as Alpha and this is an area that we will aim to look at in more detail.

I look forward to moving forward with you on this journey as we strive for Christ Church Dore to be a place where all feel safe and welcome.

Dawn Carter

Parish Safeguarding Officer

Ecumenical report

The Local Mission team has continued to make strong links with the local community in and around S17. Since the re-opening of the church building there have been several new initiatives, such as an art exhibition, craft events, children's activities and music events, all of which have proved popular with the community.

The Alpha course was very successful with 20 participants and 8 hosts. Many of those from the previous year supporting and joining in the Beta group. This involved many of the local churches.

Sheffield West Filling Station is an ecumenical initiative, which has met monthly in Christ Church Dore Community Centre over the last four years, offering a time for believers of all denominations to come together for a time of worship and prayer. At the end of 2025, after prayerful discernment, it was agreed that SWFS would cease for the time-being. We are grateful for its role across S17 churches and look forward with hope for the new things that God is doing in this new season.

Christ Church shares in local mission for the village with Dore Methodist Church for the Well Blessing, Dore Gala Songs of Praise and Remembrance Day Service at the War Memorial. We have also shared services together around the major festivals.

Leaders of Christ Church meet together with other leaders from churches within S17 for a time of fellowship and prayer over a monthly breakfast and to seek ways to work together in initiatives for the benefit of the local community.

S17 churches together enjoyed our 3rd Joy Family Fun Day. Hundreds of families/children came throughout the afternoon to enjoy a wide variety of entertainment, bouncy castles, treasure hunt, tug of war, prayer tent, cake and drinks stall, ice lollies, face painting, games, dance, music, balloons, books and much much more. All free of charge and a way to connect with the local community.

Shirley Hollis - PCC Secretary.

2025 PCC report on management, structure and governance

In 2025 the PCC had 7 regular and one vote via email, when an urgent response was required, in order to conduct its business. Andy Patrick chaired all the meetings and Paul Archer, the Lay Vice Chair was ready to take over should there be any items where a conflict of interest was declared by Andy.

The meetings reverted to face to face after a period of zoom meetings.

Membership of the PCC consists of the priest in charge, the churchwardens, elected and ex-officio members of the Diocesan and Deanery Synods and members of the church elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting or APCM. Anita Campbell was PCC secretary until May 2025 when Shirley Hollis took over.

During 2025 the subjects discussed related to finance, the fabric of the church and churchyard. In the early months the focus was on moving back into the church building and ensuring that the arrangement of chairs, children's area etc were suitable for our congregation. Although there was still much to be considered following the reordering of the church building the focus of PCC discussions moved to considering how the building can be used effectively to provide a resource for the local community and extend the Kingdom of God in S17.

Reports were received and discussed about Black Lives Matter, children's work, safeguarding, health and safety, incident reporting, GDPR and e privacy adherence local mission and mission outside S17. All policies were reviewed and for ease of access these were made available to all PCC members via a secure page on the website.

Standing Committee, with a membership agreed by the PCC, meets in between PCC meetings and completes work as directed by the PCC. Then it reports on this work to PCC at each meeting. The management of the CCD Community Centre is separate but reports to the PCC which maintains overall responsibility.

The subcommittees of the PCC during 2024 were:

- Standing Committee
- Fabric Committee
- Local Mission Group
- Pastoral Care Group
- Finance Committee

In addition we have people who lead on areas of the church life:

- Treasurer and deputy Treasurer
- Gift Aid Secretary
- Parish Safeguarding Officer
- Deputy Recruiter -Safeguarding
- PCC Secretary
- Client representative for Redevelopment
- Two Eco Church Champions
- Two Black Lives Matter leads
- Personnel Lead
- Health and Safety Lead
- Synod Representatives.

Three members of staff are employed supporting the work of Christ Church Dore. They are a Parish Administrator, CCD Community Centre Administrator, and the Church and Community Centre cleaner.

The Area Dean's visitation last took place in 2025. All returns required by the Diocese, namely the Parish Finance Return, Statistics for Mission return, and in addition the Charity Commission return were all submitted on time.

PCC Membership

The PCC size is determined by the size of the electoral roll. This was 103 in 2025 and therefore the PCC is permitted to elect 12 members. 2 Deanery Synod representatives are permitted for this electoral roll size.

PCC members who have served at any time from 1st January 2025 until the date of this report approval are:

Priest in Charge: Rev Andy Patrick

Churchwardens: Then Sarah Oxby and Lena Plaskitt were elected in May 2024 and continue to serve into 2026.

Deanery Synod Representatives -Anita Campbell (Also PCC Secretary until May 2025) Jane Closs

Members elected at APCM May 2025:

Paul Archer (Lay Vice Chair)

David Wood (Deputy Churchwarden until August 2025)

Jill Mitchell (Deputy Churchwarden from August 2024)

Robert Hunt (Treasurer)

Jill Bush

Diana Downing

Kath Crosby until her untimely death in October 2025 (Gift Aid Secretary until September 2025)

Margaret Winstanley

Paula Dowson

Olayinka Oluwole

Dawn Carter (Parish safeguarding Officer from May 2025)

Julia Stevens

Shirley Hollis (PCC secretary from May 2025, Deputy Churchwarden from August 2025)

Co-opted to PCC until May 2025

Shirley Hollis (PCC secretary from May 2025 Deputy Churchwarden from August 2025) Robert Hunt (Treasurer)

Observer

Parish Safeguarding Officer was invited to all PCC meetings (Yvonne Twelvetrees until May 2025 when Dawn Carter took over)

Electoral Roll Report

Christ Church Dore has a variety of ages across its membership, with adults and children committing to regular worship.

The formal Electoral Roll can only include these adults, with a total of 109 adults, of which 65 in the Parish, 43 outside the Parish, and 1 more.

For comparison purposes, the total adults from 2022 to 2026 has been; 137, 142, 139, 101, 109.

The Electoral Roll is the closest that the Church of England gets to an official membership list. Those listed on the government parish roll of registers may consider themselves to be members of Dore Parish Church. The Electoral Roll entitles those listed to participate fully in the Annual meetings of the church, become members of the Church Council and, through our representatives, be involved in the deanery, diocesan and general synods. On a practical level the Electoral Roll officer and the Parish Office keep a record of members' names and addresses, which can prove very useful in an emergency.

As Electoral Roll Officer I would like to encourage members to “sign up” as part of your prayerful commitment to the work and worship of the Church here in Dore

Rob Plaskitt – Electoral Roll Officer

Annual financial report and statement of accounts

Christ Church Dore 31st December 2025

Financial review

Overall, the church started the year with all funds including endowments of £305,432, received income during the year of £402,826 but spent on both the reordering and in general expenditure £609,776 leaving £98,473 in the Church's accounts. This is after deduction of outstanding loans of £89,244 and retention of £21,250.

Within these accounts are three streams of activity, the reordering of the church building, the Community Centre, and the ordinary work of a parish.

The Reordering of the Church Building

This year has seen the major transformation of the church building completed.

At the beginning of 2025, the Church family continued its relocation at the Community Centre allowing the builders to finish the work on the reordering of the church structures. This was completed by the end of March leaving twelve months for the addition of furniture and the resolution of 'snagging issues' which included access to bell tower, heating, certification etc.

On 1st January 2025, midway through the building phase of the reordering, the Church had unspent funds of £134,760 allocated to the work. During the year there were donations and grants amounting to £199,344, £38,000 was also transferred from the general fund reserves, together making a total of £372,104. These funds were spent on building costs, professional fees, and associated expenses of £479,588. This figure includes the retention of £21,250 which is due to be paid at the end of March 2026 and is reflected in the 2025 accounts as a creditor.

During the past three years, including phase 1, current building phase years 1 & 2 and the outstanding retention, £1,340,792 has been spent. However, with the £211,243 VAT refunded through the then 'Listed Places of Worship Scheme', the effective cost to the church is £1,129,549.

The Church development fund of the church is 'in the red' by £110,409 and this is largely financed by congregational interest free loans of £70,000 and a Methodist Chapel Aid (MCA) loan at 5.65% of £19,244. It also includes the outstanding retention of £21,250.

Our loans are due for repayment over the next ten years with the MCA loan repayments already started in six monthly tranches.

The Community Centre

The PCC decided in 2021 to make the Community Centre self-supporting and a separate bank account was opened in 2024. However, it continues to be under the authority of the PCC, and its transactions are therefore included within these accounts. The CCDCC Running/Admin fund which started the year with £2,618, at the end of the year was £12,443. This was the balance in the Community Centre bank account and relates to the amount shown in a separate designated CCDCC Administration fund to distinguish it from the church's general fund.

The Parish

The ordinary work of a parish, which had started with Sunday services located in the Community Centre and Thursday services in the Methodist chapel, has continued since Easter in the main church building with the addition of baptisms, weddings, and funerals.

The heating costs of the church building in the early part of the year were increased due to drying out plastering in a building with ineffective temporary doors. We are still to discover the cost for a full calendar year but noted there was a marked reduction of cost during the summer period.

Over the year, we made regular payments to the common fund of the Diocese totalling £71,000. We spend on congregational groups and activities such as our Sunday children's work. We also give to 'home mission', outreach within our parish & S17 including Toddlers, Alpha & Friday Arts, to world mission towards our mission partners and other occasional gift days.

The congregation have continued to generously provide regular donations, giving a total of £110,253 for the year, an increase of £16,858 (18%). We work to reclaim Gift Aid from HMRC for all eligible gifts to us and collected through the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS).

Gift Aid is such a valuable contribution to the finances of the church and for many years, Kath Crosby administered Gift Aid with care, diligence, and dedication. Kath is sadly missed but her contribution to the church for this remains and continues with so many church members fully involved in giving with gift aid.

Reserves policy

Our policy is to have General Reserves which are sufficient to provide three months of general expenditure, and this has been estimated at £30,000. Our policy is to have an extra £10,000, at least, to cover unexpected exceptional costs.

During the year the finance committee of the PCC carefully reviewed the level of our reserves bearing in mind the advice from the Charity Commission that:

if reserves during the year are below target or exceed target, the trustees should consider whether this is due to a short-term situation or a longer-term issue. Action may be needed to replenish or spend reserves.'

At the year end, the balance on General Reserves was £50,357 and this is considered to be reasonable, particularly given the commitment to make loan repayments.

The separate balance on the CCDCC fund of £12,443 on 31 December 2025 is available to cover future routine expenditure of the hall and repairs to it.

I am grateful to the finance committee, Paul, Phil, John (current gift aid secretary) with Steve (retired) and the Community Centre management team (Pete, Jill & Wendy) for all the work they have done, unseen, to enable the finances of the Church to progress in this year of transformation of the church building which is now fit for the family of the church and for all we serve.

Robert Hunt (Treasurer)

Christ Church Dore PCC
Sofa Separate Designated
For the period from 01 January 2025 to 31 December 2025

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Incoming resources						
Incoming resources from generated funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Voluntary income	141,307	200	80,985	-	222,492	491,282
Activities for generating funds	-	47,237	114,927	-	162,164	112,971
Investment income	-	425	7,206	-	7,631	20,273
Incoming resources from charitable activities	10,539	-	-	-	10,539	1,081
Other incoming resources	-	-	-	-	-	289
Total income	151,846	47,862	203,118	-	402,826	625,896
Resources used						
Cost of generating funds	-	-	814	-	814	-
Cost of generating voluntary income	537	-	1,469	-	2,005	122
Charitable activities	117,658	43,128	444,726	-	605,512	878,350
Governance costs	750	-	-	-	750	1,250
Other resources used	-	-	694	-	694	-
Total expenditure	118,944	43,128	447,703	-	609,776	879,723
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	32,902	4,733	(244,585)	-	(206,950)	(253,827)
Transfers:						
Gross transfers between funds - in	-	66,657	77,329	-	143,986	107,230
Gross transfers between funds - out	(52,000)	(49,329)	(42,657)	-	(143,986)	(107,230)
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains/losses on investment assets	-	-	-	-	-	(40)
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	(19,098)	22,061	(209,913)	-	(206,950)	(253,867)
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward	69,455	40,736	105,232	90,000	305,423	559,290
Total funds carried forward	50,357	62,797	(104,681)	90,000	98,473	305,423
Represented by						
Unrestricted						
General fund	50,357	-	-	-	50,357	69,455
Designated						
CCDCC Administration	-	12,443	-	-	12,443	-
Children & Youth Fund	-	1,020	-	-	1,020	1,500
Development Fund	-	14,425	-	-	14,425	39,186
Fixed Assets	-	34,909	-	-	34,909	-
World Mission	-	-	-	-	-	50
Restricted						
CCD CC Running Fund	-	-	-	-	-	2,618
Church Development Fund	-	-	(110,409)	-	(110,409)	95,574
Income from Francis Gisbourne Trust	-	-	810	-	810	810
Interest from Harwood bequest	-	-	4,918	-	4,918	6,230
Endowment						
Harwood Bequest	-	-	-	90,000	90,000	90,000

Christ Church Dore PCC

Balance Sheet (Separate funds)

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	At 31/12/2025 £	At 31/12/2024 £
Fixed assets						
Tangible Assets	-	34,909	-	-	34,909	-
	-	34,909	-	-	34,909	-
Current assets						
Debtors	4,210	-	2,408	-	6,618	10,093
Investments	-	-	-	90,000	90,000	90,000
Cash At Bank And In Hand	46,309	27,888	3,523	-	77,720	316,377
	50,519	27,888	5,931	90,000	174,338	416,470
Liabilities						
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due In One Year	163	-	21,368	-	21,530	56,047
	163	-	21,368	-	21,530	56,047
Net current assets less current liabilities	50,357	27,888	(15,437)	90,000	152,808	360,423
Total assets less current liabilities	50,357	62,797	(15,437)	90,000	187,717	360,423
Liabilities						
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	-	-	25,000	-	25,000	15,000
Provision For Liabilities After One Year	-	-	64,244	-	64,244	40,000
	-	-	89,244	-	89,244	55,000
Total net assets less liabilities	50,357	62,797	(104,681)	90,000	98,473	305,423
Represented by						
Unrestricted						
Unrestricted - General Fund	50,357	-	-	-	50,357	69,455
Designated						
Designated - CCDCC Administration	-	12,443	-	-	12,443	-
Designated - Fixed Assets	-	34,909	-	-	34,909	-
Designated - Development Fund	-	14,425	-	-	14,425	39,186
Designated - Children & Youth Fund	-	1,020	-	-	1,020	1,500
Designated - World Mission	-	-	-	-	-	50
Restricted						
Restricted - Church Development Fund	-	-	(110,409)	-	(110,409)	95,574
Restricted - CCD CC Running Fund	-	-	-	-	-	2,618
Restricted - Interest from Harwood bequest	-	-	4,918	-	4,918	6,230
Restricted - Income from Francis Gisbourne Trust	-	-	810	-	810	810
Endowment						
Endowment - Harwood Bequest	-	-	-	90,000	90,000	90,000
Fund Totals	50,357	62,797	(104,681)	90,000	98,473	305,423

Christ Church Dore PCC

Balance Sheet detailed

		As at 31/12/2025	As at 31/12/2024
Fixed assets			
	6430: Church equipment	34,909	-
	Total Fixed assets	34,909	-
Current assets			
	6501: PCC Bank current account	31,526	44,303
	6505: CCD Bank deposit account	16,539	72,508
	6507: CCDCC Current account	12,443	2,618
	6508: CCDCC Deposit Account	-	-
	6510: CCLA (CBF) deposit account	17,212	196,948
	6520: COIF Charities deposit fund Brenda Harwo	90,000	90,000
	6530: CBF CoE Investment Fund - 790 shares	-	-
	6540: CDBF Brenda Dinsdale Lewis Legacy	-	-
	6590: Cash in hand	-	-
	Z05: Accounts Receivable	6,618	10,093
	Total Current assets	174,338	416,470
Liabilities			
	6601: Loans received	-	-
	6602: Loan 1 received for CCD reordering project	20,000	20,000
	6603: MCA (Methodist Chapel Aid) CCD Reordering project	19,244	-
	6604: Loan 3 received for Reordering Project CCD	20,000	20,000
	6605: Loan 4 received for CCD Reordering	5,000	5,000
	6606: Loan 5 received for CCD Reordering	10,000	10,000
	6607 : Loan 6 CCD reordering	10,000	-
	6608: Loan7 for CCD reordering	5,000	-
	6699: Agency collections	-	-
	Z04: Accounts Payable	21,530	56,047
	Total Liabilities	110,774	111,047
	Net Asset surplus (deficit)	98,473	305,423
Reserves			
	Excess/(deficit) to date	(206,950)	(253,827)
	Z01: Starting balances	305,617	559,484
	Z02: Gains/(losses) on investment assets	(194)	(234)
	Total Reserves	98,473	305,423

Represented by Funds

General (Unrestricted)	50,357	69,455
Designated	62,797	40,736
Restricted	(104,681)	105,232
Endowment	90,000	90,000
Total	98,473	305,423

Christ Church Dore PCC

Analysis of income and expenditure Selected period: 01 January 2025 to 31 December 2025

	General	Designated	Restricted	This year	Total Last year
Incoming resources					
Incoming resources from generated funds					
0101 - Gift Aided - Bank	38,942	-	-	38,942	88,123
0102 - PGS Parish Giving Scheme	61,194	-	-	61,194	-
0201 - Other planned giving	10,117	-	-	10,117	5,253
0210 - Non-Gift Aided - Bank	-	-	-	-	3,135
0301 - Loose plate collections	1,923	-	75	1,998	718
0401 - Regular gift days	1,135	200	-	1,335	60
0403 - SumUp Give a little GA'ed	-	-	-	-	614
0404 - SumUp Give a little Non-GA'ed	1,602	-	366	1,968	672
0406 - SUMUP - Payaz Terminal	-	-	-	-	149
0502 - One off non-Gift Aided donations	207	-	-	207	25,030
0503 - Lent Appeal	-	-	-	-	430
0550 - Donations appeals external	250	-	-	250	50
0570 - Donations for Church Reordering	-	-	29,272	29,272	188,487
0601 - Tax recoverable on Gift Aided donations	24,556	-	6,420	30,976	51,944
0701 - Legacies	-	-	-	-	5,117
0820 - Grants for CCD Reordering Project	-	-	43,250	43,250	120,000
08A1 - Non-recurring one-off grants	-	-	-	-	1,500
0901 - Other funds generated	1,381	-	1,602	2,983	-
0830 - VAT Recovery - List of Places of Worship Scheme	-	-	111,650	111,650	71,646
0940 - Fund Raising for Church Reordering	-	-	3,277	3,277	2,860
1230 - CCDCC lettings - misc rentals	-	47,237	-	47,237	38,347
1240 - CCDCC lettings - fund raising	-	-	-	-	118
1020 - Interest and dividends	-	425	7,206	7,631	20,273
Incoming resources from generated funds Totals	141,307	47,862	203,118	392,287	624,526
Incoming resources from charitable activities					
1101 - Fees for weddings and funerals	8,302	-	-	8,302	1,083
1210 - Bookstall sales to promote objectives	2,237	-	-	2,237	(2)
Incoming resources from charitable activities Totals	10,539	-	-	10,539	1,081
Other incoming resources					
1280 - Photocopying	-	-	-	-	10
1320 - Surplus - sales of fixed assets	-	-	-	-	279
Other incoming resources Totals	-	-	-	-	289
Incoming resources Grand totals	151,846	47,862	203,118	402,826	625,896
Resources used					
Cost of generating funds					
1730 - Costs of fetes & other events	481	-	1,387	1,868	-
1750 - Costs from fees from banks	56	-	82	138	122

	General	Designated	Restricted	This year	Total Last year
1725 - Costs for CCD Reordering Fund Raising Activities	-	-	814	814	-
Cost of generating funds Totals	537	-	2,283	2,820	122
Charitable activities					
1820 - Giving from miscellaneous collections	1,475	-	-	1,475	215
1860 - World Mission	4,662	250	-	4,912	4,000
1910 - Ministry Common Fund	71,000	-	-	71,000	71,000
2050 - Salary of parish administrator - Church	10,197	-	-	10,197	9,835
2055 - Salary for administration of CCDCC	-	5,209	-	5,209	4,995
2060 - Salary for CCDCC Cleaner	-	5,889	-	5,889	4,754
2070 - Salary/Payments for Church Running	-	-	-	-	191
2080 - Salary for church hall running	-	-	-	-	620
2101 - Working expenses of clergy	429	-	-	429	278
2120 - Council tax	-	-	-	-	495
2130 - Vicarage house expenses	-	-	-	-	207
2140 - Water rates - vicarage	934	-	-	934	653
2150 - Vicar's telephone	80	-	-	80	90
2180 - Welcome and Hospitality	212	-	-	212	379
2201 - Parish training and mission	200	-	-	200	-
2210 - Church Activities - eg Away days, weekends	-	-	-	-	70
2240 - Children and Youth Mission	154	480	-	634	77
2250 - Home mission	4,099	-	-	4,099	3,425
2301 - Church running - insurance	2,167	-	-	2,167	3,786
2310 - Church and office - telephone and WIFI	498	432	-	930	659
2320 - Church Equip & Maintenance	533	-	-	533	964
2330 - Church maintenance	536	-	-	536	55
2340 - Upkeep of services	2,535	-	-	2,535	2,438
2345 - Expenses for Weddings and Funerals	4,504	-	-	4,504	769
2350 - Upkeep of churchyard	540	-	5,086	5,626	1,737
2360 - Administration	2,408	-	-	2,408	1,403
2365 - Administration & Financial Software Fees	180	-	-	180	240
2380 - Church Activities - eg rent of CCDCC, Old School	625	-	-	625	380
2401 - Church running - electric	3,060	-	-	3,060	791
2410 - Church running - gas	4,383	-	-	4,383	2,987
2420 - Church running - water	(155)	-	-	(155)	850
2510 - Bookstall costs	2,351	-	-	2,351	-
2515 - CCDCC- management including professional fees	-	486	-	486	475
2530 - CCDCC running - electricity	-	2,626	-	2,626	2,575
2540 - CCDCC running - gas	-	6,999	-	6,999	3,341
2550 - CCDCC running - insurance	-	1,813	-	1,813	1,655
2560 - CCDCC running - maintenance	-	9,703	-	9,703	8,334
2570 - CCDCC running - telephone and broadband	-	-	-	-	30
2580 - CCDCC running - water	-	1,147	-	1,147	981
2595 - CCDCC- Cleaning materials etc	-	390	-	390	513
2600 - CCDCC Facilities Support	-	1,885	-	1,885	910
2720 - Church interior and exterior decorating	-	-	-	-	4,680
2801 - CCDCC + major repairs	-	832	-	832	19,891
2841 - Depreciation - Church equipment	-	4,987	-	4,987	-
2920 - Building development - Church- Consultants	-	-	13,006	13,006	48,364
2921 - Building development - Church- Architects	-	-	12,960	12,960	23,280
2922 - Building development - Church- Contractors for building work etc	-	-	396,629	396,629	640,397
2923 - Building development - Church - Miscellaneous Activities	51	-	17,046	17,097	4,581

	General	Designated	Restricted	This year	Total Last year
Charitable activities Totals	117,658	43,128	444,726	605,512	878,350
Governance costs					
2375 - Governance costs examination/audit fees	750	-	-	750	1,250
Governance costs Totals	750	-	-	750	1,250
Other resources used					
1752 - Loan interest payable	-	-	694	694	-
Other resources used Totals	-	-	694	694	-
Resources used Grand totals	118,944	43,128	447,703	609,776	879,723

Notes to the accounts

Accounting Policies

1. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) published in January 2022, the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice. The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS102. The financial statements have been prepared as accrual accounts because the gross income is greater than £250,000.

Funds

2. **Unrestricted Funds** represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restriction imposed by the donor or the terms of an endowment regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC.

General Funds are unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific purpose.

Designated Funds may be set aside by the PCC out of an unrestricted fund for a specific purpose. However, this would not then prevent the PCC subsequently reallocating these sums for other uses or returning them to unrestricted funds.

Restricted Funds are funds which can only be used for a specific purpose identified by the donor from the outset. They cannot be added to unrestricted funds without the consent of the donor or the Charity Commission.

3. The accounts include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include accounts of church groups which owe their main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

Incoming resources

Voluntary income and capital resources

4. Collections and planned giving are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC.

5. Income tax recoverable on gift aid donations is recognised when the income is received.

6. Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement, the amount due is quantifiable and its ultimate receipt by the PCC is reasonably certain.

7. Funds raised from events are accounted for gross except where expenses are considered to be immaterial.

Other ordinary income

8. Rental income from the letting of premises is recognised when the rental is due or invoiced, unless it relates to the next accounting period.

Income from investments

9. Dividends and interest are accounted for when receivable.

Gains and losses on investments

10. Realised gains and losses on investments are recognised when investments are sold. Unrealised gains and losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments on 31 December.

Resources used

Grants

11. Grants and donations to mission partners or other charities are accounted for when paid over or when awarded if that award creates a binding obligation on the PCC.

Activities directly related to the work of the church

12. The parish share and ministry contribution is accounted for when payable. Any parish share unpaid at the year end is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not legal) liability and is shown as a creditor in the balance sheet.

Fixed assets

Consecrated land and buildings and moveable church furnishings

13. Consecrated and beneficed property is excluded from the accounts by section 10(2)(a) and (c) of the Charities Act 2011.

14. No value is placed on moveable church furnishings held by the church wardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal since the PCC considers this to be inalienable property. All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or beneficed buildings and moveable church furnishings, whether maintenance or improvement, is written off as expenditure in the Statement of Financial Activities and separately disclosed.

Other property

15. The Christ Church Dore Community Centre and Church Office buildings are owned by the PCC. However, their original costs are not known so they are not recognised in the Balance Sheet. Improvement and repair expenditure in the year is written off in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Other fixtures, fittings, and office equipment

16. Individual fixtures, fittings and equipment with a purchase price of £1,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

Items which are capitalised are included at cost and depreciated over their expected useful lives on a straight-line basis as follows:

Church equipment – 8 years

Investments

17. Investments are stated at market value on 31 December.

Staff costs and employee benefits

	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	20,506	19,876
Social security	0	0
Defined contribution pension costs	786	518
	<u>21,292</u>	<u>20,394</u>

Average monthly number of employees during the year

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The average number of employees does not include the vicar who is not employed by the PCC and whose employment costs are paid for through the Common Fund contribution.

Trustee remuneration and expenses

The Trustees are the voting members of the PCC listed in the 2025 PCC report.

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration by the PCC for their services as PCC members.

Expenses of £976 were paid to trustees to reimburse them for costs in providing their services as PCC members. These were paid to trustees and relate to clergy expenses and training

Payments to trustees for other activities undertaken for the church are disclosed in the related party transaction note.

Related Party Transactions

The Charities SORP (FRS102) defines 'Related Parties' as the charity's trustees, their close family members and those entities which they control or in which they have a significant interest.

The Trustees are the voting members of the PCC listed on the PCC report.

Donations from trustees and their close family members

The total amount of donations (excluding tax recoverable) made by trustees to the church during the year without conditions which would, or might, require the church to alter significantly the nature of its existing activities if it were to accept the donations, were £53,283.

Loans from Trustees

Loans with a combined value of £40,000 have been made by certain trustees to the PCC to support the reordering project and were outstanding on 31 December 2025. They are interest free.

Payments to related parties

Payments with a combined value of £250 were paid to members of the PCC and close family members for officiating / stewarding at services.

Fixed assets

	£
Cost	
As at 1 January 2025	-
Additions	39,896
Disposals	-
As at 31 December 2025	<u>39,896</u>
Depreciation	
As at 1 January 2025	-
Charge for the year	4,987
Disposals	-
As at 31 December 2025	<u>4,987</u>
Net book value	
As at 31 December 2025	<u><u>34,909</u></u>

Funds

Designated funds

At 31 December 2025, the PCC had designated funds as follows:

Children and youth fund - £1,020 (2024 £1,500)

Development fund - money set aside to cover future loan repayments and major building costs. £14,425 (2024 £39,186)

Christ Church Dore Community Centre Administration Fund – cumulative surplus on income from hire of the hall and rooms, net of expenditure on the Community Centre. £12,443 (2024 £2,618)

Restricted funds

At the year end, the PCC had restricted funds as follows:

Church Development Fund. As explained in the section of the annual report about the reordering project, the negative balance on 31 December 2025 of -£110,409

reflects the outstanding amounts due in relation to loans and the final retention payment. The Harwood bequest is an endowment fund of £90,000 held by the Diocese of Sheffield board of finance. We do not have access to the capital amount, but the interest is accumulated in a separate fund 'Interest from Harwood bequest fund' which is restricted for churchyard expenses. £4,918 (2024 £6,230)

The Income from Francis Gisbourne Trust fund is available to the vicar for pastoral purposes. £810 (2024 £810)

Transfers between funds

£38,000 has been transferred from General Fund to the restricted Church Development Fund and a further £14,000 has been transferred to the designated Development Fund. £39,186 has been transferred from the designated Development Fund into the restricted Church Development Fund, being the balance on the designated fund on 31 December 2024.

£2,618 has been transferred from the restricted CCDCC Running Fund to the designated CCDCC Administration Fund. The CCDCC Running Fund was treated as a restricted fund in the 2024 accounts, but the income is from activities which generate unrestricted income (hire of hall and rooms etc.). Hence, the day-to-day financial activities of the CCDCC are, on reflection, better accounted for in a designated fund. However, any donations given solely for Community Centre development would be included in the restricted fund.

Education

During the year the congregation has had education regarding some principles of Christian giving:

An expression of the grace of God
A charisma, that is a gift of the spirit
Inspired by the cross
Is proportionate giving
Contributes to equity

There will be more.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF CHRIST CHURCH DORE, PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Christ Church Dore Church for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The church's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

I report in respect of my examination of the accounts. It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act);
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the gross income for the year exceeds the amount provided in section 145(3) of the Act, I confirm that I am qualified to act as Independent Examiner under the provisions of that section of the Act.

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Ashley Ellis

16th March 2026

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Introduction



Christ Church Dore invites everyone:

...to worship and to learning that renews and refreshes our relationship with God, To be a member of the family of God's people, to meet and provide mutual help and support, To be an agent of the Christian gospel in the wider community.

We seek to love and follow Jesus – with the same heart as him, the same love and joy as him, and the same welcome. No exceptions. No one is excluded. No one is “not good enough.” We want to live lives that are like Jesus, finding our identity as God's beloved children. If you have felt “hurt by religion”, or damaged by your experience of the church, we want to be part of the healing. So whatever your physical ability, colour, education, gender, sexuality, whether rich or poor, Jesus invites you to belong to his church, and to feel at home in his love and care and delight for each one.

Reverend Andy Patrick has now completed his third year in Dore, it has been a significant year as the long awaited reordering of the church building began, resulting in a temporary move to Christ Church Dore Community Centre for our Sunday services. This change meant there were no weddings this year and three baptisms. Funerals and committal services were held 11 times.

Along with Andy the Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility in promoting the whole mission of the Church, this includes pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical aspects. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the Church building and the Christ Church Dore Community Centre (which is managed by a separate group made up of church members and community members). The PCC receives reports from this group on a regular basis.

Many members of the church community contribute to the life of the church, whether in services, organising events, caring for others or working behind the scenes and this report demonstrates the significant input of these church members have had during 2024.

Welcome from Reverend Andy Patrick.

In January 2024, after two decades of exhaustive preparation and planning, we moved out of the church building ready for the main stage of the reordering project to commence. This was a momentous moment in the life of Christ Church Dore, making the building fit for purpose for the next generation and beyond.

We had hoped to be in our freshly re-ordered church building to celebrate Christmas – but, as anyone who has seen Grand Designs before will know, it hasn't been quite so straightforward – asbestos, roof leaks, woodworm, rotten timber and plenty more besides.

2024 was a year of *camping out*, of being *on tour*. I've been greatly encouraged by our church community's ability to adapt, cope with change and roll with the punches. Everyone has been remarkably resilient and chipper! Moving out of the building meant learning to be church in a new way, in a new place. People have really embraced the challenge.

Being in a less familiar, less typical-church-building space does come with the benefit of reminding us of the unchangeable, unshakeable reality that God is with us. Wherever we are and wherever we might gather – God is with us.

At the Carol Services, camped out in the church hall, I drew on these themes to remind us that *God became flesh and blood and dwelt among us*. Or, literally, '*pitched his tent with us*'.

Special buildings are a blessing and can offer us so much – sanctuary; space to draw closer to God; a link to past generations. This is why we have spent so much time, effort and money getting the church reordered and usable for God's mission here in Dore for the next chapter. Yet, the most important thing is not where we meet but who we meet – the one who is with us, intimately close – Jesus, Immanuel, God with us.

Worshipping at Christ Church Dore Community Centre on Sundays and at Dore Methodist Church on Thursdays has drawn us closer together as a community. The necessity during this time of worshipping at 5.30pm on Sundays has brought a unity and cohesion between our previously separate Sunday congregations. This is something that we need to treasure and think about how we can continue to nurture when we move back to two services on a Sunday.

We have seen the Thursday Service grow during our adventure out from our church building and our links with The Dore Bar and Grill where we go for coffee after the service go from strength to strength.

As you will see from the many reports and updates on the ministries of the church, the move out of the building hasn't meant that we've had to put the brakes on. Far from it! I pay tribute to all who share their time, gifts and resources to see God's kingdom grow here in S17.

During this year I've been reflecting on our continued ministry as a *parish church* – of serving a particular area and community. The clue to our mission lies in our name – Christ Church Dore.

Our first call is to **Christ** – to love our Lord with all our heart, soul, mind and strength. Simply, this is why we meet together to worship and to encourage one another to love and follow Jesus.

He calls us together to be **Church**. God has not called us to be individual believers but a body – his church. And, despite our faults and failings, our differences, and our idiosyncrasies, he has called us – this random, imperfect group of people – to bring life and hope to the world. The local church is the hope of the world.

As a local church we are called to love and serve **Dore** – sent out in the power of the Spirit. We have the best news to share with our community – we are loved by God. We are offered forgiveness, hope, peace, joy, life everlasting and so much more. Why would we not want to share something so wonderful?

Christ. Church. Dore. These are three things we love. And, as we prepare for the exciting time of moving back into a freshly reordered building we look again to whole focus of our purpose and hope – the resurrected one, Jesus.

May our shiny, renewed building point to him.

With my love and ongoing gratitude,

Andy



Worship and Prayer at Christ Church Dore



As mentioned in Andy's welcome the re ordering project has meant that we had to find an alternative venue for our weekly services. We held our Sunday service at 5.30 in the community centre and, due to the kindness and support of Dore Methodist Church we held a weekly service on a Thursday in Dore Methodist Church building, along with morning prayer meetings 3 times a week.

Christ Church joined with All Saints Totley to celebrate Easter, sharing with them a wonderful sunrise service.



At Christmas a series of events were organised including our regular community choir carol service, a midnight mass and crib services.



Regular Services

Our regular services were supported by a team of dedicated church members who led the services and shared reflections, in addition there were many others who ensured the smooth running of our services. On a Sunday, before the service, Diana and her team provided tea, coffee and sometimes cake, giving people the opportunity to chat, catch up and pray for one another.

Welcome Group

By Hazel Wood

"Keep on loving each other as brothers. Do not forget to entertain strangers for by so doing some people have entertained angels without knowing it" Hebrews 13:1

All are welcome at Christ Church Dore. Making all who come to Christ Church Dore feel welcome is an integral part of our ministry.

We have a wonderful group of welcomers who, whatever the weather, provide a lovely warm welcome to all who arrive for our services. The church is it's people, and we believe the welcome received is so important not only for newcomers, but also for those who are here every week.

Newcomers are offered a welcome pack, which provides some details about the Church. During 2024, Andy and Claire Patrick hosted meals for both the Welcomers Group and also those new to our church, which was very much appreciated. If you would like to join the Group, do have a word with Andy, or the church wardens.



Musicians

By Nina Patterson



I am so thankful to the Lord for the wonderful musicians and singers we have to lead the worship at the 5.30 pm service. Many, many thanks to Honor, Robin, Gillian, Lis, Sean, Sarah and Andy for using your gifts and talents in order to facilitate our worship to the Lord.



A huge thank you to the AV team too, for all the support and help they give us on a weekly basis.

The AV team and live-streaming



Services are supported by our technical team who ensure that visuals are displayed, speakers can be heard and livestreaming is connected. The AV team consists of Andy Bush, Andy Walsh, Paul Archer, Peter DeLange and Rob Plaskitt. During 2024 the livestreaming team consisted of Anita Campbell, Martha Condliffe, John Hollis, David Wood, Phil Allsop, Sue Knights and Yvonne Twelvetree.

Bellringers

Information provided by Richard Knights

The usual pattern of bell ringing for services and the ringing of peals to mark significant national and local events could not take place due to the reordering when all equipment, including bell ropes, had to be removed from the tower. Part of the reordering plans included modifications to the access to the bell tower, removing the need to climb up a ladder to access the ringing room.

Keeping the band together during 2024 was a challenge but practices could continue due to the kindness and generosity of St James' Church Norton for which the band is very thankful.

Many thanks to Richard Knights for his leadership of the bell ringing team over many years and for his guidance and training of new ringers, he will be missed.

Due to his anticipated move to Dorset there were significant changes to roles within the band as follows:

Ringling Master – Rod Ismay.

Deputy Ringling Master – Charlotte Molloy.

Tower Secretary and church contact – Jackie Butcher.

Tower Treasurer – Dave Skelton.

Steeple Keeper – Rod Ismay and Dave Skelton.



Children at Christ Church

By Paula Dowson, Lena Plaskitt and the team



January 2024 marked a big change for our church family as we moved to Christ Church Dore Community Centre due to the start of our church redevelopment project. It was certainly a busy time of packing, locating storage, unpacking and settling in to our new children's space. We celebrated this move with a wonderful afternoon tea for the whole church family.

As our new service was at 5.30pm we decided it would be a good idea to provide tea for our children. So each Sunday from 5pm our children arrive for baked potatoes (with various toppings) and sometimes pizza. This has been a great success and out thanks go to those who provide it.

Children's activities are provided every Sunday by a dedicated team of volunteers and the groups are as follows:

- Freestyle – All age,
- Diddy Disciples – from babies upwards and
- Godly Play – from age 4 years upwards.

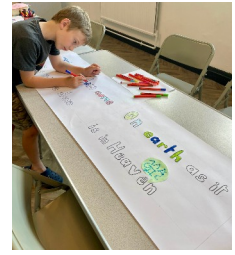
This year we have continued to look out into our community to engage with local families. Sharing God's love and his Word, through a variety of events (run by our amazing team of volunteers). All bible based, lots of fun, well received and attended. These were as follows:

- Easter Crafternoon Tea,
- An Easter Egg Hunt,
- Build It,
- Teddy Bears Picnic
- Follow The Star.

Our focus as a church family during the summer holidays was PRAYER.



During our children's groups, each Sunday, we had a lot of fun learning the Lord's Prayer through art, baking, song and craft. Together we made the longest scroll ever seen and also learnt to sign the Lord's Prayer. The latter both shared with our church family.



The summer was a time for the children's leadership team to reflect on the way ahead and as a result our small teams have come together under Christ Church Kids(CCK). We meet regularly as a team and enjoy planning and dreaming.

Our wonderful team includes Dawn Carter, Grace D'Souza Walsh, Julia Stevens, Beth Goodband, Claire Patrick, Katie Sanders, Ruth Freeman, Emma Archer, Paula Dowson, Lena Plaskitt.

We said goodbye to Jill Bush one of our Godly Play storytellers and gatekeepers. Our thanks go to her for all the many years she has given to the children's work at Christ Church Dore. We will miss her and pray for her as she moves into a new season ahead.

Our prayers are being answered and we are so thankful to God that our children's groups are growing both in number and in the understanding and deepening our their faith. They are all such a blessing.

*Let the children come to me and do not hinder them,
for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. (Mark 10 v 14)*



Black Lives Matter

By Joan Giles and Olayinka Oluwole

We continue to celebrate diversity and support the Diocese regarding racial and cultural issues.

Joan and Yinka have been involved in several events in the last year.

The Diocese is providing a leading role nationally as we now have a Racial Justice Officer – Rev Anesia Cook and events are planned each year for parish representatives around the Diocese.



We attended the special 'Being Built Together, Being Fruitful Together' Black History Month Weekend Events in Sheffield Cathedral, with many parishes represented. On the Saturday we attended with Rev Andy Patrick, and this included a short service and a symposium event. We then had an opportunity to meet others and chat over a shared lunch. On Sunday there was a special Celebration service with keynote speeches, Gospel rich choirs with renditions of heart-warming songs.

Yinka led the Black History Month service here in Dore and recently the Racial Justice Sunday service on 9th February 2025. She has represented Christ Church Dore at an Intercultural Churches' leaders Meeting in January 2025.

An event is planned for later in the year – Celebrating our Diversity – at St Mary's Bramall Lane on Saturday 14th June 2025. It is hoped this will incorporate lived experiences and sharing of cultures in cuisine and more.

A number of the church family have attended Unconscious Biases Training and Black Lives Matter is on the agenda at every PCC meeting.

We continue to explore ways of enhancing further richness in diversity and culture.

This is everybody's business, and we are all urged to seek ways and activities to enhance this. Worshipping in our local neighbouring churches with increased diversity is encouraged as well as supporting our church family with diverse representation in all areas of service in the church and community.

We would value any thoughts from other members of our church. Perhaps you have ideas about inclusive events that we could plan? Perhaps another visit to a church with a more diverse ethnic population? We need to constantly explore how we can develop ways of including young and old, different genders and different cultures into our services, social events and PCC.

Fundraising

by Steve Clarke

As a PCC we continue to be amazed and grateful for the continued generosity of the congregation. The first half of 2024 saw significant sums raised mostly from pledges made in September 2023. However 2 significant donations in excess of £50,000 (incl Gift Aid) were also made boosting our resources considerably. We had confirmation of a number of grants following the hard work of the Fundraising committee such that total expected grants was almost £200,000, the majority of which have now been received.



In addition to generous donations, fund raising activities during 2024 included:-

Maundy Meal £250

Sponsored Bike Ride £1165

Sponsored Spring Walk £190

Garden Party

Bistro Evening £1170

Quiz

EasyFundraising £256 (for those who do internet shopping!)

In addition we have received interest free loans of £100,000 – again even then 2 loans have been converted to donations increasing gift Aid and importantly reducing the repayment burden.

In summary we have raised £720,000 (incl sale proceeds of Curate's House) towards our total requirement of £995,000. With the grant monies our shortfall is expected to be approx. £75,000 which is amply covered by a lending agreement from Methodist Chapel Aid . fundraising will continue in 2025 especially for the chairs which will see the shortfall /loan reduce.



Pastoral Care

by Margaret Winstanley

Pastoral Care is offered to all parish members. The Pastoral Care team provide home communion to the elderly and sick who are unable to attend church services. We also visit the recently bereaved and those people the vicar feels would benefit from a home visit.

The team consists of the following members: Pastoral Worker Margaret Winstanley, Pastoral Visitor Ricardo Lynch, and our Priest in Charge Andy Patrick.

The team meets with the vicar approximately every six weeks to discuss those visited and those to be visited over the next six weeks and also to discuss who should visit whom.

Our aim is to provide a confidential and caring service and to ensure people who are unable to attend church still feel a link to church via a member of the Pastoral Team and receive communion at home, should they wish. We also feel it is important to offer pastoral support to the recently bereaved at a difficult time.

Home Groups

by Lis Hunt and Julia Stevens

Firstly we would like to thank Sue and Richard Knights for all their hard work supporting and encouraging the home groups in the church, and we wish them well in their new ventures down south. Over half the members of the church are in one of our eight home groups whilst a few folk involved attend other churches in Sheffield. The new group meeting on a Monday afternoon is progressing strongly.

The leaders of home groups meet together approximately three times a year to share what is happening in each group and discuss forthcoming study series. Studies are chosen by each group to suit their situation but Andy has suggested some studies during the year such as 'Practicing The Way' (following the sermon series). Each group feeds back on resources they have used which gives suggestions to other groups. Prayer is a fundamental part of home group life and fellowship between members is greatly valued.

Some groups include activities of witness and service in their schedule such as helping at the Grace foodbank or providing church and community social events. If you would be interested in finding out more, please speak to Andy Patrick, Lis Hunt or Julia Stevens in person or via the church office.



Community Relationships and Outreach

Local Mission Group

by Dianne Capps

The Local Mission Group (LMG) feel that it is an important purpose of our church to be an agent of Christ's presence in our local community and we, as a group, co-ordinate with other churches and local groups to do this.

LMG take an overall view of mission in our parish over the course of the year, encouraging our church family to join in with activities in our church calendar, such as Easter and Christmas, and activities arranged by the local community such as the recent Lantern Parade and the Dore Scout Gala. We have good connections with the local primary school and also the pubs and restaurants. We meet on average every 6 weeks or so generally on line but occasionally in person.

This year, as always, has been a busy year for the Local Mission Group (LMG) and chocolate is often a part of our activities. We have helped co-ordinate some of the fund raising events for the re-development of our church. We generally start in January where we discuss giving out chocolate hearts and cards for valentines day to let the community know that Jesus loves them. We help out with preparations to hand out daffodils for Mothering Sunday. We then move on to Easter preparations where we ensure the cross is at the centre of our village outside the Village Greens where we gather as a church family to sing on Good Friday and we hand out hot cross buns. We connect with Dore Primary School teachers handing out Easter cards and a gift to share. We also provide a chocolate gift for the mother and toddlers. We organised the twice yearly Rake and Bake in June and October and the adopt a grave scheme is growing slowly. We were a presence at the Dore Show where a table was set up to publicise our re-development. Other notable events that go on in our church, including events over Christmas (another very busy time of year for the LMG), where we ensure there is sufficient help to run them and all the time provide chocolates to hand out to the villagers and attendees. We try and have Jesus at the heart of everything we do.



Alpha

by Pete Sanders

A number of churches across S17 supported the Alpha course which ran from late January to late March 2024.

Those involved on the course leadership from CCD were Jill Mitchell and Pete Sanders. Leaders from other local churches also assisted. A special call-out and thanks also to Katy Sanders who provided the fantastic food for all the guests and leaders throughout the whole 10 sessions.

A very encouraging Alpha launch event was held at The Dore and subsequently 12 guests from the local community, including some from CCD, joined the course.

It was wonderful to see how quickly the group jelled together as very open and honest discussions about faith began to take place each week. Praise God that a number of guests gave their lives to the Lord whilst others were strengthened in their faith.

The group wanted to carry on meeting after the course had finished so evolved into the Beta group which then met regularly until the end of the year, sharing and growing together in faith with other suitable study materials.

It's been a blessing and very encouraging to see a number of those who attended the Alpha group in 2024 helping to lead the Alpha 2025 course. Praise God for all He has done, and is doing, in the lives of all those who joined the course last year.

Mission Beyond S17

During 2024 Christ Church Dore had four Mission Partners as follows:

- **The Oakes** – A Christian Activity Centre in S8 where young people can enjoy an action-packed holiday while hearing about the Christian message.
- **TEAR Fund.**
- **Hazel Gray** – Working in Tanzania alongside The Wycliffe Bible Translators
- **The Days Family** who work in Thailand.

We supported with regular donations and special offerings. During the year both TEAR fund and Hazel visited and spoke about their work.

The church also regularly supports the work of the Grace Foodbank in S8.

Toddlers

by Katy Sanders

Christchurch Dore Toddlers meets every Thursday in term time in the CCDCC between 10- 11.30 am. Toddlers has been continuing on this past year in its happy steady friendly way under the continued leadership of Becky Robinson and Katy Sanders.

We've seen the predictable rise and fall in attendees but of late are peaking higher again with 35 adults last week and 37 littlies. We average approx 25 families each week.

We continue to offer, in addition to a warm welcome, free play including craft table with a different theme weekly, play dough, soft play, puppets, jigsaws, dressing up, trains and cars, home corner, book corner, preschool table, farm, duplo, bricks and a baby space.

The toddler cafe is open for most of the time and huge thanks to our attentive, competent and smiley team who work in the kitchen on a rota basis serving up hot and cold drinks, fruit, raisins, breadsticks and biscuits.

The morning finishes with tidy up time, singing and parachute or instruments, birthdays and notices of course!



We try regularly to invite families to church events, especially the Friday afternoon ones.

We also managed the toddler nativity in the hall this Christmas- hay everywhere! We try our best in the chaos to share the good news of Jesus. The Christmas party is always a big hit too.

We love our Dore toddler group- come and be part of it and see for yourself the fun we have! Feel free to invite any young family, friend or neighbour with little one/s on a Thursday morning and stay local!

Thanks for all your ongoing prayers and support

Christ Church Dore Community Centre.

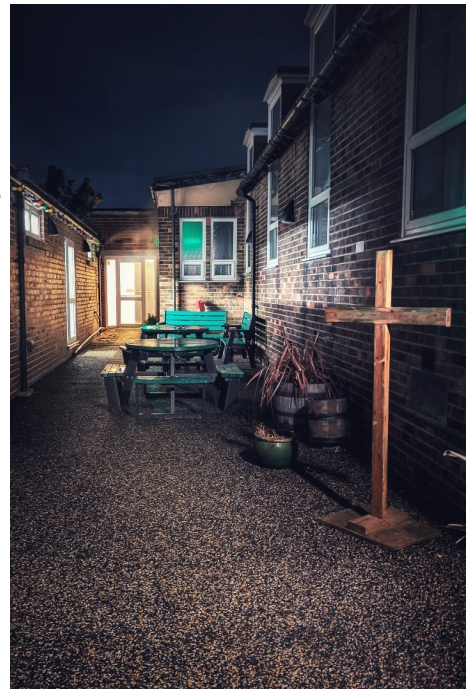
by Pete Sanders and Jill Bush

The CCD Community Centre had a highly successful 2024 and continues to see new groups starting and existing groups enjoying using the ever-improving rooms and facilities we have available.

It has been encouraging to see the steady growth in the proportion of the CC room letting time used for church based or church sponsored meetings/activities which has now risen to above 45% (including the CCD services on Sunday afternoons). Our prayer is that this continues to grow and that all the contacts and friendships made through these groups, and others that meet in the CC, will continue to draw people into a closer faith in the Lord Jesus.

The major project initiated, fully funded, and completed last year was the expansion of the church office and the moving of the entrance so that it opens out into the external seating area between the two buildings. In addition, the access to the Ark and internal space was improved through the addition of a large side doorway opening.

Overall, the CC remains in a strong and financially viable situation as we grow our number of users and reap the benefits of sensible investments made in the past few years which have made our facilities more attractive to hire and the building cheaper to operate. Energy costs have risen significantly in the new contract recently agreed but these rises will be absorbed without having to increase the hire charges to all our users. We are pleased to be able to report that our hire charges have remained the same since the CC was setup in 2021 and we are working hard to ensure that they remain at these levels for as long as possible.



Christ Church Dore Art Club

Yvonne Blower and Rosie Hawley

CCD Art Club meets in CCDCC from 2 – 4pm on the first Friday of each month. We have 40 members and average 20 at each session. Our members are mainly from the Dore and Totley area although some members travel across the city to join us and another travels in from Youlgreave.

Our aim is to provide a low key, relaxing opportunity to experiment with various media in order to create individual pieces of art. We also aim to provide a friendly and welcoming environment for our members and tea, coffee and the very popular home made cake is available at each session.

Each meeting consists of a demonstration of a new skill followed by the opportunity to put it into practice. We also do a couple of art history sessions each year when we learn about an artist and try to copy their technique and style. Over the last year, amongst other things, we have learned how to pour paint, draw, using various media, we have also learned how to quill and to print on fabric.

We have also been fortunate enough to have local artist, Chris Dowson, leading a couple of very successful sessions on pastel drawing.



Other sessions this year will include egg painting, paper flower making, air drying clay and flower arranging.

We usually have two socials every year to give our members the opportunity to get to know each other and form new friendships.

As Christians we hope that the Art Club upholds our values of kindness, acceptance, respect and encouragement. We have a box for prayer requests and are open about our faith and belief in God.

Everyone is welcome, whether they want to meet people, make new friends or just sit and enjoy focusing on being creative, away from the busyness of life.

We are very grateful to the CCD Community Team for continuing to financially support our outreach work.



Statutory Reports

Parish Church Council (PCC)

by Anita Campbell

Aims and Objectives

The PCC is committed to enable as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community.

The PCC maintains an overview of worship and makes suggestions as to how our services can involve the many groups that live within our parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice, through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament.

When planning our activities for the year, we have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the supplementary guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.

The aims and activities of the PCC are in accordance with the guidelines on public benefit and are expressed in our mission statement:

The church has reviewed its Mission Action Plan at an Away Day in June '24. The following priorities for 2024/5 were agreed:

1. Property and Resources
2. Discipleship
3. Children, Families and Young People.

PCC report on management, structure and governance.

In 2024 the PCC had 7 regular and 2 extra meetings to conduct its business. This was fewer in number than in previous years when there was extra work entailed in planning the redevelopment project, "Step into the Light." Andy Patrick chaired all the meetings and Paul Archer, the Lay Vice Chair was ready to take over should there be any items where a conflict of interest was declared by Andy. A mixture of face to face and online meetings was used. Periodic workshops or awaydays are very useful for working as a team on our plans for the future and one took place at Whirlow Spirituality Centre on July 14th 2024.

Membership of the PCC consists of the priest in charge, the churchwardens, elected and ex-officio members of the Diocesan and Deanery Synods and members of the church elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting or APCM. Anita Campbell was secretary of the PCC throughout 2024 and was pleased to be

joined by Shirley Hollis as deputy secretary after the June PCC meeting. Shirley had agreed to learn about the role with a view to taking it over after the APCM of 2025.

During 2024 the subjects discussed related to finance, the fabric of the church and churchyard. However discussions were dominated by updates and decision making related to the redevelopment project. Reports were received and discussed about Black Lives Matter, children's work, Safeguarding, health and safety, incident reporting, GDPR and e privacy adherence, local mission and mission outside S17. The PCC consulted with church members about the service plan when the church moves back into the building in 2025.

Standing Committee, with a membership agreed by the PCC, meets in between PCC meetings and completes work as directed by the PCC. Then it reports on this work to PCC at each meeting. The management of the CCD Community Centre is separate but reports to the PCC which maintains overall responsibility.

The subcommittees of the PCC during 2024 were:

- Standing Committee
- Fabric Committee reconvened December 2024
- Local Mission Group
- Pastoral Care Group

In addition we have people who lead on areas of the church life:

- Treasurer and deputy Treasurer
- Gift Aid Secretary
- Parish Safeguarding Officer
- Deputy Recruiter - Safeguarding
- PCC Secretary and deputy Secretary
- Client representative for Redevelopment
- Two Eco Church Champions
- Two Black Lives Matter leads
- Personnel Lead
- Health and Safety Lead

Three members of staff are employed supporting the work of Christ Church Dore. They are a Parish Administrator, CCD Community Centre Administrator, and the Church and Community Centre cleaner.

The Area Dean's visitation last took place in 2022 and will take place again in 2025. All returns required by the Diocese, namely the Parish Finance Return, Statistics for Mission return, and in addition the Charity Commission return were all submitted on time.

PCC Membership

The PCC size is determined by the size of the electoral roll. This was 139 in 2024 and therefore the PCC is permitted to elect 12 members. 2 Deanery Synod representatives are permitted for this electoral roll size.

PCC members who have served at any time from 1st January 2024 until the date of this report approval are:

Priest in Charge: Rev Andy Patrick

Churchwardens: Sarah Oxby and Martin Blower elected May 2023 served from 1st January 2024. Then Sarah Oxby and Lena Plaskitt were elected in May 2024 and continue to serve into 2025.

Elected members:

Paul Archer (Lay Vice Chair)

Anita Campbell (PCC Secretary and Deanery Synod representative)

Alison Saxton (Treasurer and Deanery Synod representative until her untimely death in March 2024)

Jane Closs (Deanery Synod representative from May 2024)

Lena Plaskitt (Deputy Churchwarden until election as Churchwarden in May 2024)

David Wood (Deputy Churchwarden)

Jill Mitchell (Deputy Churchwarden from August 2024)

Robert Hunt (Treasurer from August 2024)

Jill Bush

Diana Downing

Kath Crosby (Gift Aid Secretary)

Margaret Winstanley

Paula Dowson

Olayinka Oluwole

J Nicholas Payne

Dawn Carter

Co-opted to PCC

Shirley Hollis (deputy secretary of PCC from June 2024)

Stephen Clarke (deputy treasurer until March 2024; then interim treasurer until August 2024; then deputy treasurer).

Observer

Yvonne Twelvtree, Parish Safeguarding Officer is invited to all PCC meetings.

Ecumenical report

by Jill Mitchell

The Local Mission team....has grown and developed over the past year, encouraging more members of our church family to get involved in our community and around S17 .We are building up strong ties and friendships with other members of the S17 churches.

We had a great response to our Alpha course (29 guests) which started in January at Christ Church Community Centre, with joint help and leaders from previous Alpha and Beta course from the past year. Again an ecumenical event involving many of the S17 churches.

Christ Church Dore was involved in the Arise Sheffield initiative which works ecumenically across Sheffield, with prayer walking throughout Lent to Easter. Members of Christ Church engaged in praying for each street in our area, opening with a joint S17 time of prayer on Strawberry Lee Lane speaking out across the local area and the whole of Sheffield.

Sheffield West Filling Station is another ecumenical initiative, meeting monthly in Christ Church Dore Community Centre, offering a time for believers of all denominations to come together for a time of worship and prayer.

Christ Church shares in local mission for the village with Dore Methodist Church for the Well Blessing and Remembrance Day service at the War Memorial.

Leaders of Christ Church meet together with other leaders from churches within S17 for a time of fellowship over a monthly breakfast and to seek ways to work together in initiatives for the benefit of the local community. The Joy Family Fun Day held in June has been one of the fruits of this.

The Joy Family Fun Day...S17 churches together enjoyed our 2nd Joy Family Fun Day, held in Totley school grounds. There were hundreds of families/children came throughout the afternoon to enjoy a wide variety of entertainment, bouncy castles, treasure hunt, tug of war, prayer tent, hook a duck, story-time, cake and drinks stall, ice lollies, face painting, games, dance, music, balloons ,books and much much more. All free of charge. Another one is planned for this year.

Deanery Synod

by Anita Campbell

At the beginning of 2024 Alison Saxton and Anita Campbell were Christ Church Dore Deanery Synod representatives. After the sad and untimely death of Alison the church elected Jane Closs to join Anita as our second representative in May 2024 APCM. Jane and Anita continue in this role until the next elections in May 2026. Mark Brown of All Saints Ecclesall is our Area Dean and convenes the synod.

There have been 2 meetings of the Deanery Synod since our last APCM: one in June and one in November. The June meeting focussed on the work of the Diocesan Advisory Committee with the Secretary Simon Chesters-Thompson speaking. There was discussion about the role of faculties. The buildings officer Jo Edwards and the Net Zero officer David Castle also spoke. The conclusion for Christ Church was that we need to work on the Net Zero by 2030 action plan as soon as we are back in the church building.

At the meeting in November 2024 it was announced that Bishop Sophie has been appointed as Bishop of Coventry and a new suffragen bishop will be appointed in 2025. There is a good representation of clergy and lay from our deanery on the Diocesan Synod. There were ongoing discussions about funding for Sheffield Diocese and the outcome should be known by the end of February 2025.

Any member of Christ Church is welcome to come along to observe the synod. If you are interested in doing so please contact Anita Campbell or Andy Patrick.

Safeguarding Report.

Yvonne Twelvvetrees.

The PCC has complied with the duty to have 'due regard' to the House of Bishops' guidance in relation to Safeguarding. During the remodelling of our church building, a copy of this guidance is on the notice board of the Dore Community Centre, the Church website and in the monthly Newsletter.

The PCC reviews our Safeguarding Policy each year. There is an up to date policy on Safeguarding with attachments and links to other guidelines and procedures. All documents may be found on the Church web site

Christ Church Dore Safeguarding Documents:

1. CCD Activity Risk Assessment Template
- 2 CCD Registration Form – Activities and Trips
3. CCD Safeguarding– Who's Who
4. CCD Volunteer Driver Agreement
5. CCD Consent Form Recordings
6. Parish Safe Guarding HandBook August 2019 Web
7. Fact Sheet – Sexting (youth produced sexual imagery)
8. CCD Risk Assessment Checklist for Home Visiting
9. CCD Safeguarding Bellringing information

Yvonne Twelvtree is the Safeguarding Officer.
The agency used for DBS checks is Thirty one Eight.
Safeguarding is standing agenda item for the PCC meetings.

2024 -2025 Developments

These are the activities authorised by the PCC for children and vulnerable adults.
Diddy Disciples,
Godly Play,
Thursday Toddler group,
Pastoral team,
Local children's outreach teas,
All age Children's Group first Sunday service of the month,
Sunday service crèche on second and fourth Sundays of the month.

Safe Recruitment

The Diocese has a self –audit tool called the Parish dashboard to guide the PCC in good Safeguarding practice. Safe recruitment has been a significant development

for our PCC this year. For all the authorised activities adults helping, whether paid or unpaid, must have job descriptions, application forms, references, the appropriate level of DBS check and probationary period. Lena Plaskett is our lead in Safe Recruitment and she has worked hard to ensure Safeguards in recruitment and Risk Assessments are in place.

Our authorised activities are grouped together for personnel and safeguarding purposes, as the age of the children and type of activities differ.

- Christ Church Kids- all the activities that occur for children during a Sunday Service
- Dore kid -all the activities offered for community events such as the Christmas Crafts Fair and Pancake Day
- Toddlers- The Thursday Morning group held in the Community Centre

The PCC have accepted the new recruitment policies in December 2024...

On-line Streaming

During the Covid pandemic the streaming of church services was developed. There have been many people in our community who have continued to enjoy our on-line services. There were a few concerns about our on line streaming practice whilst remembering its value to house bound parishioners, people who are less confident in winter to come to our evening service and for people who have family links to our church.

A group led by David Wood have reviewed policy and practice and the PCC accepted the new policy in January 2025.

Risk assessments

The PCC have been conscientious in ensuring that the temporary premises for worship during the church re modelling are safe for all age groups. Risk assessments for the activities in the temporary premises have been done: also care has been taken for the Safety of workers on the church site.

Every three years the PCC are required to submit an audit of Safeguarding to the Diocese. The standards to be met are in relation to:-

- Implementing policies and procedures
- Safer recruitment
- Safe Practice
- Managing those who pose a risk
- Learning and Development
- Website and social media

All requirements by the Diocese related to Safeguarding are in place.

Fabric Report

by Anita campbell

The Fabric Committee was not meeting in the first part of 2024 because the church building was closed and all efforts were focused on the redevelopment project.

With the end of the redevelopment in sight a new Fabric Committee was proposed in November 2024 and the membership and terms of reference were approved by PCC in January 2025.

In the absence of Fabric Committee, Standing Committee oversaw work which was required to maintain the churchyard during 2024. However access was difficult with part being fenced off for the contractors' use. There was no thoroughfare but much of the churchyard was still open for people to visit graves as usual. Two Rake and Cake churchyard tidying events took place.



Statement of Account

By Robert Hunt – Treasurer

Accounting Policies for the 2024 Accounts

1. The financial statements have been prepared as accrual with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 together with applicable accounting standards and the Charities SORP. The financial statements have been prepared as accrual accounts as the gross income is greater than £250,000 except for the valuation of investment assets, which are shown at market value.

Funds

2. General funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restriction imposed by the donor or the terms of an endowment regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC.

3. The accounts include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law.

They do not include the accounts of specific donations or legacies which are under the control of the incumbent and the churchwardens. Neither do the accounts include details of the affairs of groups who owe their affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members.

Incoming resources

Voluntary income and capital resources

4. Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC.

5. Income tax recoverable on gift aid donations is recognised when the income is recognised.

6. Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement and the amount due.

7. Funds raised by fetes and similar events are accounted for net.

Other ordinary income

8. Rental income from the letting of church premises is recognised when the rental is due or invoiced.

Income from investments

9. Dividends and interest are accounted for when receivable. All such income is receivable gross.

Gains and losses on investments 10. Realised gains and losses on investments are recognised when investments are sold. Unrealised gains and losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31 December.

Resources used

Grants

11. Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over or when awarded, if that award creates a binding obligation on the PCC.

Activities directly related to the work of the church

12. The parish share and ministry contribution are accounted for when payable. Any parish share unpaid at the year end is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not legal) liability and is shown as a creditor in the balance sheet.

Fixed assets**Consecrated land and buildings and moveable church furnishings**

13. Consecrated and benefitted property is excluded from the accounts by s96(2) (a) of the Charities Act 2011.

14. No value is placed on moveable church furnishings held by the churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal since the PCC considers this to be inalienable property. All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or benefitted buildings and moveable church furnishings, whether maintenance or improvement, is written off as expenditure in the Statement of Financial Activities and separately disclosed.

Freehold land and buildings

15. No depreciation is considered. The Church does not pay tax, and therefore the purpose of depreciation, to offset against tax is not applicable.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

16. No depreciation is considered. The Church does not pay tax, and therefore the purpose of depreciation, to offset against tax is not applicable.

Investments

17. Investments are stated at market value at 31 December 2024.

Notes to support the 2024 Accounts

I must start this analysis by giving my appreciation for Alison Saxton for all her hard work and dedication both to the church but also to these accounts, she was in post for the first three months of this year. Alison has steered the church financially for over 10 years and it is almost impossible to comprehend the huge effort and dogged determination shown to bring us to this position.

At the last APCM the 2023 accounts were presented but because the turnover was greater than £250,000, they needed to be in another form, utilising accruals and prepayments and also we noticed an anomaly which needed resolution. The accounts were reviewed by an independent examiner recommended by the diocese. The PCC adopted the 2023 accounts on 22nd October then submitted them on time to the Charity Commission.

2024 has been the year when there has been the start of the reordering process. The Church family has relocated to the Community Centre to allow the builders to work on the reordering of the church structures. During the early phase, some remedial work was required and there was an understandable change in the timescale for completion to Easter 2025.

Within these accounts there are three streams of activity, the reordering of the church building, the Community Centre and the ordinary work of a parish.

The Reordering of the Church Building

Following the final fund raising during the autumn 2023, the decision was made to start the Phase 2 work in January 2024. At the start of 2024 there was £379,246 in our accounts allocated to the work, with further pledges & grants in place. Over

the course of the year the KT&WC Veall Trust – (Endowment £17,858) & Brenda Dinsdale Lewis Legacy (£2,125) were allocated to the development by the PCC together with the additional funding of £456,769 from donations, grants and banked loans.

In the same time £ 721,154 has been spent on building costs, professional fees and associated expenses representing 72% of the anticipated final cost of £995,000 net of VAT.

At the end of 2024, we have c.£189,760 allocated to the reordering (including £55K congregational loans at 0%) with secured further grants of £41,000. There is also a loan facility from Methodist Chapel Aid (MCA) at a market rate (5.65%) sufficient to cover remaining anticipated expenditure.

The Community Centre

The PCC had decided in 2023 to make the Community centre self-supporting and to that end opened a separate bank account in June. However, it continues to be under the authority of the PCC and therefore included within these accounts. During the year there has been work on the Community centre building including The Ark, Church office and relocating an external door from the west elevation to the central space costing c.£20,000 fully paid. At the end of the year the CCDCC Running fund stands at £2,617.

The Parish

The ordinary work of the parish continues with activities now relocated, in the main, to the community centre. There is reduction in some service charges for utilities, because we are not occupying the church building, but we must be aware, the very favourable fixed price contracts we had in place are now ended. There is also a reduction in fees for wedding funerals and special services.

The congregation have continued to generously provide regular donations, giving a total of £93,395 for the year an increase of around £3,000 (3,3%). We work to reclaim Gift Aid from HMRC for all eligible gifts. Other voluntary income, gift aid tax and other income, raised this to a total of £125,563. We are introducing the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) to the congregation to provide a safe, secure and progressive platform for regular giving and Gift Aid recovery.

Over this year we made regular payments to the common fund of the Diocese totalling £71,000. A small reduction from the previous year in view of our build.

We spend on congregational groups and activities such as our Sunday children's work. Home mission within our parish & S17 including Toddlers, Alpha & Friday Arts.

For the rest, our World Mission includes our mission partners and other occasional gift days.

I am grateful to the finance committee (Steve, Phil & Paul), Community Centre management team (Pete, Jill & Wendy) and gift aid secretary (Kath) for all the work they have done, unseen, to enable the finance of the Church to progress in this difficult and complicated year.

Robert Hunt (Treasurer)

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Balance Sheet Detailed

Christ Church Dore PCC

Balance Sheet detailed

	As at 31/12/2024	As at 31/12/2023
Current assets		
6501: PCC Bank current account	44,303.13	46,608.71
6505: CCD Bank deposit account	72,507.83	206,647.18
6507: CCDCC Current account	2,617.72	-
6508: CCDCC Deposit Account	-	1,290.35
6510: CCLA (CBF) deposit account	196,948.34	187,021.54
6520: COIF Charities deposit fund Brenda Harwo	90,000.00	90,000.00
6530: CBF CoE Investment Fund - 790 shares	-	17,858.19
6540: CDBF Brenda Dinsdale Lewis Legacy	-	2,140.54
6590: Cash in hand	-	-
Z05: Accounts Receivable	10,093.13	7,598.43
Total Current assets	416,470.15	559,164.94
Liabilities		
6601: Loans received	-	-
6602: Loan 1 received for CCD reordering project	20,000.00	-
6603: MCA (Methodist Chapel Aid) CCD Reordering project	-	-
6604: Loan 3 received for Reordering Project CCD	20,000.00	-
6605: Loan 4 received for CCD Reordering	5,000.00	-
6606: Loan 5 received for CCD Reordering	10,000.00	-
6699: Agency collections	-	(125.00)
Z04: Accounts Payable	56,047.00	-
Total Liabilities	111,047.00	(125.00)
Net Asset surplus (deficit)	305,423.15	559,289.94
Reserves		
Excess/(deficit) to date	(253,826.65)	121,755.38
Z01: Starting balances	559,484.10	436,193.10
Z02: Gains/(losses) on investment assets	(234.30)	1,341.46
Total Reserves	305,423.15	559,289.94

Represented by Funds

General (Unrestricted)	69,454.86	61,610.24
Designated	40,736.26	65,648.44
Restricted	105,232.03	324,173.07
Endowment	90,000.00	107,858.19
Total	305,423.15	559,289.94

Balance Sheet (Separate Funds)

Christ Church Dore PCC

Balance Sheet (Separate funds)

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	At 31/12/2024 £	At 31/12/2023 £
Fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-	-
Current assets						
Debtors	4,245.71	-	5,847.42	-	10,093.13	7,598.43
Investments	-	-	-	90,000.00	90,000.00	107,858.19
Cash At Bank And In Hand	65,091.55	50,736.26	200,549.21	-	316,377.02	443,708.32
	69,337.26	50,736.26	206,396.63	90,000.00	416,470.15	559,164.94
Liabilities						
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due In One Year	(117.60)	-	56,164.60	-	56,047.00	(125.00)
	(117.60)	-	56,164.60	-	56,047.00	(125.00)
Net current assets less current liabilities	69,454.86	50,736.26	150,232.03	90,000.00	360,423.15	559,289.94
Total assets less current liabilities	69,454.86	50,736.26	150,232.03	90,000.00	360,423.15	559,289.94
Liabilities						
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	-	10,000.00	5,000.00	-	15,000.00	-
Provision For Liabilities After One Year	-	-	40,000.00	-	40,000.00	-
	-	10,000.00	45,000.00	-	55,000.00	-
Total net assets less liabilities	69,454.86	40,736.26	105,232.03	90,000.00	305,423.15	559,289.94
Represented by						
Unrestricted						
Unrestricted - General Fund	69,454.86	-	-	-	69,454.86	61,610.24
Designated						
Designated - Brenda Dinsdale Lewis Legacy	-	-	-	-	-	2,125.34
Designated - Children & Youth Fund	-	1,500.00	-	-	1,500.00	-
Designated - Church Weekend Aways	-	-	-	-	-	(72.98)
Designated - Development Fund	-	39,186.26	-	-	39,186.26	67,596.08
Designated - World Mission	-	50.00	-	-	50.00	(4,000.00)
Restricted						
Restricted - CCD CC Refurbishment Fund	-	-	-	-	-	(6,548.85)
Restricted - CCD CC Running Fund	-	-	2,617.72	-	2,617.72	14,933.76
Restricted - Church Development Fund	-	-	95,574.46	-	95,574.46	311,650.25
Restricted - Income from Francis Gisbourne Trust	-	-	810.00	-	810.00	663.00
Restricted - Interest from Harwood bequest	-	-	6,229.85	-	6,229.85	3,335.92
Restricted - Agency collection	-	-	-	-	-	138.99
Endowment						
Endowment - Harwood Bequest	-	-	-	90,000.00	90,000.00	90,000.00
Endowment - KT&WC Veall Trust	-	-	-	-	-	17,858.19
Fund Totals	69,454.86	40,736.26	105,232.03	90,000.00	305,423.15	559,289.94

Analysis of Income and Expenditure

Christ Church Dore PCC

Analysis of income and expenditure
Selected period: 01 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

					Total	
	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Incoming resources						
Incoming resources from generated funds						
0101 - Gift Aided - Bank	85,018.00	2,705.00	400.00	-	88,123.00	80,630.00
0102 - PGS Parish Giving Scheme	-	-	-	-	-	-
0201 - Other planned giving	5,242.50	10.00	-	-	5,252.50	-
0210 - Non-Gift Aided - Bank	3,135.00	-	-	-	3,135.00	9,730.00
0301 - Loose plate collections	717.60	-	-	-	717.60	1,147.20
0401 - Regular gift days	30.00	30.00	-	-	60.00	2,902.73
0403 - SumUp Give a little GA'ed	2.10	-	612.04	-	614.14	467.44
0404 - SumUp Give a little Non-GA'ed	517.54	-	154.66	-	672.20	55.38
0405 - Amazon Smile receipts	-	-	-	-	-	35.15
0406 - SUM UP - Payaz Terminal	44.22	-	104.51	-	148.73	543.14
0410 - Giving through church boxes	-	-	-	-	-	-
0501 - One-off Gift Aided donations	-	-	-	-	-	160.00
0502 - One off non-Gift Aided donations	30.00	-	25,000.00	-	25,030.00	286.58
0503 - Lent Appeal	430.30	-	-	-	430.30	-
0510 - Gifts of quoted securities	-	-	-	-	-	-
0550 - Donations appeals etc	-	-	50.00	-	50.00	836.14
0560 - Donations for Church Office Development	-	-	-	-	-	-
0570 - Donations for Church Reordering	-	-	188,487.25	-	188,487.25	151,228.23
0575 - Loans for CCD Reordering	-	-	-	-	-	-
0580 - Donations for CCDCC Refurbishments	-	-	-	-	-	6,661.88
0601 - Tax recoverable on Gift Aided donations	21,968.52	-	29,975.93	-	51,944.45	57,681.21
0701 - Legacies	-	5,117.17	-	-	5,117.17	750.00
0801 - Recurring grants	-	-	-	-	-	-
0810 - Grants for CCDCC Refurbishment	-	-	-	-	-	-
0820 - Grants for CCD Reordering Project	-	-	120,000.00	-	120,000.00	32,750.00
08A1 - Non-recurring one-off grants	1,500.00	-	-	-	1,500.00	1,150.00
0901 - Other funds generated	-	-	-	-	-	293.75
0930 - Pathfinders Fund income	-	-	-	-	-	-
0830 - VAT Recovery - List of Places of Worship Scheme	-	39,129.10	32,517.13	-	71,646.23	27,947.33
0940 - Fund Raising for Church Reordering	-	330.00	2,529.72	-	2,859.72	3,006.99
0950 - Fundraising for CCDCC Refurbishment	-	-	-	-	-	-
1220 - Bookstall sales - fund raising	-	-	-	-	-	-
1230 - CCDCC lettings - misc rentals	-	-	38,347.22	-	38,347.22	36,205.88
1240 - CCDCC lettings - fund raising	-	-	118.00	-	118.00	-
1250 - Magazine income - advertising	-	-	-	-	-	-
1260 - Parish magazine sales	-	-	-	-	-	-
1001 - Dividends	-	-	-	-	-	-
1020 - Interest and dividends	5,569.78	4,954.77	9,748.28	-	20,272.83	12,172.05
1030 - Rent from lands or buildings	-	-	-	-	-	100.00
Incoming resources from generated funds Totals	124,205.56	52,276.04	448,044.74	-	624,526.34	426,741.08
Incoming resources from charitable activities						
1101 - Fees for weddings and funerals	1,168.10	-	(85.10)	-	1,083.00	3,767.68

					Total	
	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
1210 - Bookstall sales to promote objectives	(2.05)	-	-	-	(2.05)	-
1225 - Church Hall Lettings - internal use	-	-	-	-	-	-
1290 - Church Weekends Away Receipts	-	-	-	-	-	7,331.69
Incoming resources from charitable activities Totals	1,166.05	-	(85.10)	-	1,080.95	11,099.37
Other incoming resources						
1270 - Secretarial support - to others	-	-	-	-	-	-
1280 - Photocopying	10.00	-	-	-	10.00	-
1310 - Insurance claims	-	-	-	-	-	5,768.01
1320 - Surplus - sales of fixed assets	181.40	97.42	-	-	278.82	-
Other incoming resources Totals	191.40	97.42	-	-	288.82	5,768.01
Incoming resources Grand totals	125,563.01	52,373.46	447,959.64	-	625,896.11	443,608.46

Resources used

Cost of generating funds

1701 - Fees paid to fund raisers	-	-	-	-	-	-
1710 - Costs of applying for grants	-	-	-	-	-	355.80
1720 - Costs of stewardship campaign	-	-	-	-	-	-
1730 - Costs of fetes & other events	-	-	-	-	-	-
1740 - Investment management costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
1750 - Costs from fees from banks	97.27	-	25.15	-	122.42	150.69
1752 - Repayment Loans etc.	-	-	-	-	-	-
1725 - Costs for CCD Reordering Fund Raising Activities	-	-	-	-	-	650.25
Cost of generating funds Totals	97.27	-	25.15	-	122.42	1,156.74

Charitable activities

1801 - Giving to missionary societies	-	-	-	-	-	-
1820 - Giving from miscellaneous collections	215.00	-	-	-	215.00	944.89
1830 - Giving - relief and development agencies	-	-	-	-	-	-
1860 - World Mission	4,000.00	-	-	-	4,000.00	7,516.48
1870 - Secular charities	-	-	-	-	-	-
1880 - Pathfinders Fund Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-
1901 - Stipends quota	-	-	-	-	-	-
1910 - Ministry Common Fund	71,000.00	-	-	-	71,000.00	75,000.00
2001 - Assistant staff costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
2050 - Salary of parish administrator - Church	9,835.49	-	-	-	9,835.49	8,762.55
2055 - Salary for administration of CCDCC	-	-	4,995.24	-	4,995.24	4,364.74
2060 - Salary for CCDCC Cleaner	-	-	4,754.41	-	4,754.41	-
2070 - Salary/Payments for Church Running	190.66	-	-	-	190.66	1,106.04
2075 - Salary for Churchyard maintenance	-	-	-	-	-	-
2080 - Salary for church hall running	-	-	619.70	-	619.70	3,594.83
2101 - Working expenses of clergy	277.91	-	-	-	277.91	996.75
2120 - Council tax	495.00	-	-	-	495.00	-
2130 - Vicarage house expenses	207.00	-	-	-	207.00	-
2140 - Water rates - vicarage	652.95	-	-	-	652.95	566.13
2150 - Vicar's telephone	90.00	-	-	-	90.00	110.00
2170 - Education	-	-	-	-	-	-
2180 - Welcome and Hospitality	378.85	-	-	-	378.85	-

					Total	
	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
2201 - Parish training and mission	-	-	-	-	-	-
2210 - Church Activities - eg Away days, weekends	70.00	-	-	-	70.00	9,007.68
2240 - Children and Youth Mission	77.13	-	-	-	77.13	1,954.83
2250 - Home mission	3,425.18	-	-	-	3,425.18	2,117.54
2260 - Discipleship (Home Groups etc)	-	-	-	-	-	223.66
2301 - Church running - insurance	3,786.40	-	-	-	3,786.40	3,030.82
2310 - Church and office - telephone and WIFI	659.05	-	-	-	659.05	1,148.54
2320 - Church Equip & Maintenance	964.40	-	-	-	964.40	452.50
2330 - Church maintenance	55.00	-	-	-	55.00	726.79
2331 - Church - Cleaning Materials etc	-	-	-	-	-	80.36
2335 - Church Maintenance - Quinquenniel	-	-	-	-	-	864.00
2340 - Upkeep of services	2,383.80	-	53.89	-	2,437.69	1,845.58
2345 - Expenses for Weddings and Funerals	769.00	-	-	-	769.00	-
2350 - Upkeep of churchyard	-	-	1,736.98	-	1,736.98	436.75
2360 - Administration	1,403.25	-	-	-	1,403.25	2,176.19
2365 - Administration & Financial Software Fees	240.00	-	-	-	240.00	308.99
2370 - Visiting speakers / locums	-	-	-	-	-	-
2380 - Church Activities - eg rent of CCDCC, Old School	380.00	-	-	-	380.00	300.00
2401 - Church running - electric	790.76	-	-	-	790.76	(607.33)
2410 - Church running - gas	2,987.27	-	-	-	2,987.27	3,971.42
2420 - Church running - water	849.56	-	-	-	849.56	1,266.61
2440 - Church running - heating and lighting	-	-	-	-	-	-
2501 - Magazine expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
2510 - Bookstall costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
2515 - CCDCC- management including professional fees	-	-	475.00	-	475.00	-
2520 - Hall running - oil	-	-	-	-	-	-
2530 - CCDCC running - electricity	-	-	2,574.86	-	2,574.86	2,211.38
2540 - CCDCC running - gas	-	-	3,341.48	-	3,341.48	1,135.89
2550 - CCDCC running - insurance	-	-	1,654.77	-	1,654.77	1,631.99
2560 - CCDCC running - maintenance	-	-	8,333.98	-	8,333.98	9,669.94
2565 - CCDCC Maintenance - Quinquennial	-	-	-	-	-	-
2570 - CCDCC running - telephone and broadband	-	-	29.65	-	29.65	302.29
2575 - CCDCC Running - admin systems etc	-	-	-	-	-	549.04
2580 - CCDCC running - water	-	-	980.88	-	980.88	760.34
2595 - CCDCC- Cleaning materials etc	-	-	513.24	-	513.24	566.59
2600 - CCDCC Facilities Support	-	-	910.00	-	910.00	-
2701 - Church major repairs - structure	-	-	-	-	-	112,939.94
2710 - Church major repairs - installation	-	-	-	-	-	-
2720 - Church interior and exterior decorating	-	-	4,680.00	-	4,680.00	2,280.00
2801 - CCDCC + major repairs - structure	-	-	19,890.95	-	19,890.95	7,700.00
2820 - CCDCC + major repairs - installation	-	-	-	-	-	810.93
2830 - CCDCC + interior and exterior decorating	-	-	-	-	-	13,150.97
2840 - Other PCC property upkeep	-	-	-	-	-	296.25
2920 - Building development - Church- Consultants	-	2,184.00	46,179.71	-	48,363.71	17,784.45
2921 - Building development - Church- Architects	-	1,944.00	21,336.00	-	23,280.00	14,109.00
2922 - Building development - Church- Contractors for building work etc	-	76,534.06	563,862.61	-	640,396.67	-
2923 - Building development - Church - Miscellaneous Activities	-	152.29	64.00	-	4,581.27	-
2925 - Building development - Church office	-	-	-	-	-	1,680.00
2930 - Building Development - Hall	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities Totals	106,355.95	80,726.06	691,268.33	-	878,350.34	319,846.34

					Total	
	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Governance costs						
2375 - Governance costs examination/audit fees	1,250.00	-	-	-	1,250.00	850.00
2601 - Governance costs examination/audit fee	-	-	-	-	-	-
Governance costs Totals	1,250.00	-	-	-	1,250.00	850.00
Other resources used						
3010 - Church Weekend away	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other resources used Totals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Resources used Grand totals	107,703.22	80,726.06	691,293.48	-	879,722.76	321,853.08

Christ Church Dore PCC
Sofa Separate Designated
For the period from 01 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Incoming resources						
Incoming resources from generated funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Voluntary income	118,635.78	7,862.17	364,784.39	-	491,282.34	347,308.83
Activities for generating funds	-	39,459.10	73,512.07	-	112,971.17	67,160.20
Investment income	5,569.78	4,954.77	9,748.28	-	20,272.83	12,272.05
Incoming resources from charitable activities	1,166.05	-	(85.10)	-	1,080.95	11,099.37
Other incoming resources	191.40	97.42	-	-	288.82	5,768.01
Total income	125,563.01	52,373.46	447,959.64	-	625,896.11	443,608.46
Resources used						
Cost of generating funds	-	-	-	-	-	650.25
Cost of generating voluntary income	97.27	-	25.15	-	122.42	506.49
Fundraising trading cost of goods sold and other costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment management costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	106,355.95	80,726.06	691,268.33	-	878,350.34	319,846.34
Governance costs	1,250.00	-	-	-	1,250.00	850.00
Other resources used	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditure	107,703.22	80,726.06	691,293.48	-	879,722.76	321,853.08
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	17,859.79	(28,352.60)	(243,333.84)	-	(253,826.65)	121,755.38
Transfers:						
Gross transfers between funds - in	20,600.17	10,138.70	66,210.84	10,280.01	107,229.72	4,545.16
Gross transfers between funds - out	(30,615.34)	(6,658.08)	(41,818.10)	(28,138.20)	(107,229.72)	(4,545.16)
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains/losses on investment assets	-	(40.20)	0.06	-	(40.14)	1,535.62
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	7,844.62	(24,912.18)	(218,941.04)	(17,858.19)	(253,866.79)	123,291.00
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward	61,610.24	65,648.44	324,173.07	107,858.19	559,289.94	435,998.94
Total funds carried forward	69,454.86	40,736.26	105,232.03	90,000.00	305,423.15	559,289.94
Represented by						
Unrestricted						
General fund	69,454.86	-	-	-	69,454.86	61,610.24
Designated						
Brenda Dinsdale Lewis Legacy	-	-	-	-	-	2,125.34
Children & Youth Fund	-	1,500.00	-	-	1,500.00	-
Church Weekend Aways	-	-	-	-	-	(72.98)
Development Fund	-	39,186.26	-	-	39,186.26	67,596.08
New Wine Fund to underwrite future events	-	-	-	-	-	-
Weddings and Funerals	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Mission	-	50.00	-	-	50.00	(4,000.00)
Restricted						
Agency collection	-	-	-	-	-	138.99
CCD CC Refurbishment Fund	-	-	-	-	-	(6,548.85)
CCD CC Running Fund	-	-	2,617.72	-	2,617.72	14,933.76
Church Development Fund	-	-	95,574.46	-	95,574.46	311,650.25
Church Office Development	-	-	-	-	-	-
Income from Francis Gisbourne Trust	-	-	810.00	-	810.00	663.00
Interest from Harwood bequest	-	-	6,229.85	-	6,229.85	3,335.92
Miscellaneous Restricted Collections	-	-	-	-	-	-
Old Dev And Organ Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
Website Development	-	-	-	-	-	-
Endowment						
Harwood Bequest	-	-	-	90,000.00	90,000.00	90,000.00
KT&WC Veall Trust	-	-	-	-	-	17,858.19

Independent Examiners Report

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF CHRIST CHURCH DORE, PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Christ Church Dore Church for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The church's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

I report in respect of my examination of the accounts. It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act);
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the gross income for the year exceeds the amount provided in section 145(3) of the Act, I confirm that I am qualified to act as Independent Examiner under the provisions of that section of the Act.

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Ashley Ellis

25th March 2025

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Accounts



Christ Church Dore

2023 Annual Report for the Annual Meeting

Welcome for all

"We seek to love and follow Jesus - with the same heart as him, the same love and joy as him, and the same welcome. No exceptions. No one is excluded. No one is "not good enough." We want to live lives that are like Jesus, finding our identity as God's beloved children. If you have felt "hurt by religion", or damaged by your experience of the church, we want to be part of the healing. So whatever your physical ability, colour, education, gender, sexuality, whether rich or poor, Jesus invites you to belong to his church, and to feel at home in his love and care and delight for each one."

Aim and purposes

The Reverend Andy Patrick has now completed his second year in Dore and it has been a year of church growth with young families joining us. It has also been incredibly busy for Andy with much work to get the redevelopment project, " Step into the Light," to the point where contracts could be signed in December 2023. The church has worked on this for over 20 years. Along with him, the Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility in promoting the whole mission of the Church, which includes pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical aspects.

The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the Church building and the Christ Church Dore Community Centre (which is managed by a separate group made up of church members and community members). The PCC receives reports from this group on a regular basis.

Objectives and activities

The PCC is committed to enable as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community. The PCC maintains an overview of worship and makes suggestions as to how our services can involve the many groups that live within our parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice, through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament.

When planning our activities for the year, we have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the supplementary guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.



The aims and activities of the PCC are in accordance with the guidelines on public benefit and are expressed in our mission statement:

Christ Church Dore invites everyone:

To worship and to learning that renews and refreshes our relationship with God,

To be a member of the family of God's people, to meet and provide mutual help and support,

To be an agent of the Christian gospel in the wider community.

The church has reviewed its Mission Action Plan with the help of the Diocese of Sheffield in November 2023. The following priorities for 2023/4 were agreed:

- Review our mission statement
- Children and families
- Homegroups
- Welcome and belonging
- Finance

Achievements and performance

Step into the Light became a reality; after 20 years in the planning the redevelopment project reached the point where all permissions had been granted, fundraising was sufficient to go forward and contracts were signed. Phase 1 of the project involving the repair and refashioning of the clergy and choir vestry roofs had been completed in September. As 2023 came to a close the whole church was looking forward to the project starting in the New Year.

Worship and prayer

The PCC ensured that Christ Church Dore offered a range of services during the week, and over the course of the year, that our community found both beneficial and spiritually fulfilling. Throughout 2023 the church building was open during the day for people to come in for private prayer and reflection. People used this warm space and children would play with the toys in the children's area.

The pattern of worship was All Age Worship at 10am and Evening Prayer at 5.30pm, each Sunday. On Thursdays at 10.30am we held a Communion service.

Throughout 2023, we have been supported by the worship team, led by our vicar Andy and supported by a number of committed lay members of the congregation.

Live streaming of the 10am services was available to those who were not able to come to services in person. This may be due to illness or they were out of the area. We continued to have a small but regular viewing of these services.

Children

At Christ Church Dore we use the resources from Godly Play and Diddy Disciples for our Childrens' Work. Godly Play runs twice a month and Diddy Disciples monthly. We use the spacious facilities at The Old School, Dore for these sessions.

Godly Play is for children aged 4 years and over.

"In most religious sessions children are **told** who God is.

In Godly Play children **discover** who God is."

J. Berryman (Founder)

Godly Play is a multi-sensory approach to discovering and connecting with God through Bible stories. These stories are given tangible form using high quality, hand crafted figures and objects. We have also made some of our own resources too. Godly Play is widely and successfully used across the world with adults as well as children.

It is led by Paula Dowson and Beth Goodband. Jill Bush is a Storyteller and other church members support it as Doorkeepers.

This year the children have enjoyed discovering many Old Testament Desert Stories, Parables, Easter, Pentecost, Advent and Prayer. We also ran two sessions for adults - Making Space for Easter and Making Space for Advent.

Diddy Disciples is for babies, toddlers and young children.(Up to the age of 3 children are accompanied by their parents).

Movement, stories, actions and songs combine in carefully crafted sessions to enable a new way of worshipping that is fun and engaging.

Baby and Toddlers group there is an opportunity for children and their carers to meet once a week. This is referred to in the section on outreach later.

In advent this year we tried out a new idea of having a **craft based after school event** on a Friday for the community. 'Follow the Star' was a great success and fully booked on Eventbrite. We will look to developing a series of similar events next year.



This pattern of services ended on the last day of 2023. The church building closed ready for the redevelopment which was due to start on January 15th, 2024. A different pattern was planned for 2024, utilising online opportunities, Dore Methodist Church and Christ Church Community Centre.



Our **annual church meetings** were held on 16th May 2023, a Tuesday evening in church and 47 people attended. A livestream of the meeting was viewed by people who were unable to come to the church. With regard to the electoral roll, as of 16th May 2023, the number of members on the electoral roll stood at 142; 89 residing in the parish, 50 residing outside the parish, and 3 classified as "other". A small increase on the previous year.

The average weekly attendance in church, counted during October, was 86 adults and 12 children. We had around 7 people joining the online service on Sunday morning. Our total worshipping community was around 170, predominantly in the 50+ age group, though we are

attracting more young families, particularly drawn to the young children's activities.

As well as our regular services, we enable our community to celebrate and thank God at the milestones of the journey through life. Through baptism we thank God for the gift of life, in marriage public vows are exchanged with God's blessing and through funeral services friends and family express their grief. They give thanks for the life which is now complete in this world and to commend the person into God's keeping.

This year we have celebrated 7 baptisms.

We had 2 weddings this year. (A reduction from pre-pandemic times because of the uncertainty about when the church was closing for redevelopment). There were 8 funerals in our church this year, with 5 services held at the crematorium, and 9 committals of the body and ashes.

The year in Christ Church

As a member of Arise Sheffield, members of our church went prayer walking for the city during the month of March and prayed for the people on the roads we walked.

We had Special Morning Prayer during Lent rather than a course and used the Dust and Glory (Emma Ineson) resources as a focus along with music, prayer and space for reflection. The church membership put aside money throughout Lent and this was donated to our local Grace Foodbank.

On Good Friday the wooden cross erected was in the center of the village. We held a service where we gathered round the cross, offered prayers and sang, inviting passing members of the community to join in.



On Easter Saturday we held an easter egg hunt in the church yard, an open event for the community, inviting families to celebrate Easter.

During May the church members took time to be together for a weekend away at the Hayes Conference Centre, Derbyshire. This was a welcome time for spiritual refreshment, worship and just getting to know one another. The church membership has changed and all agreed the time away was well overdue.



As an A Rocha Eco Church silver award holder Christ Church wished to share some of the progress in the churchyard on encouraging biodiversity and in addition work with enthusiastic primary school children and their teachers. Y3 children from Dore Primary School came to do a nature survey of the flowers on both sides of our churchyard, comparing and finding differences according to habitat and mowing practices.

Christ Church is a member of 'Caring for God's Acre' and staged a Count on Nature event where we invited Sheffield and Rotherham Wildlife trust to help us on an incredibly sunny Saturday morning identify the plants and invertebrates. The findings were added to the group app section of a-naturalist and thus we contributed to a national database of all the species to be found in churchyards- a very special habitat for nature.

During Summer 'Adopt a Grave Scheme' was launched and a group of people tidied the graves they had adopted. These were graves that had not been tended for some while as they are not visited by family or others. This scheme is continuing, where and when possible, while the building work is happening in 2024.

Each year Dore village has a number of events that the church joins in with. These included the annual Songs of Praise as part of the Dore Festival and Scout Gala in July, the Well-dressing service on the village green, also in early July. The church offered a history tour along with opening the Bell Tower for visitors and inhabitants of Dore during this time. A church member had a garden tea party which was well attended and enjoyed.

The church was pleased to welcome a student from King Egbert School as a Duke of Edinburgh Scheme volunteer from September to November. They were able to clear some of the churchyard and tidy up some of the more overgrown graves.

The coming of Autumn saw our **11 days of celebration**. This was a great time of coming together, inviting others to join us and fundraising. The church membership raised an incredible (including Gift Aid) £200,000 towards the re-ordering project and we reached the point of being able to apply for other grants and loans that had not been available to us before this point. The celebration involved 24 hours of prayer, the teddy zip wire challenge, home group celebration, Step into the light show and a celebration harvest meal. The other memorable fundraising events were the Bistro and the Safari Supper.



The Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial is a significant event for the village with hundreds of people attending. We held a small service in church at 10am, before joining the community at the war memorial, where the service was led by our Andy Patrick and the minister from Dore Methodist Church. The parade comprises the local ATC branch, and scouts and guides, as well as other members of the community. And then it was time for Christmas!

The Village Lantern Parade takes place on the first Wednesday in December, where many children and their families walk through the village with their lanterns, see the turning on of the Christmas lights, and sing Christmas songs. Christ Church had a gazebo with nativity dressing up clothes available, and families could take pictures of their children. This was very popular again, although the weather was very cold.

This year we held two candle-lit carol services with the community choir. This was very well attended with over 350 people from across the community attending. Caroloke was very popular last year and repeated in 2023. Church members went into the 2 local pubs, with musical instruments, and sang carols and Christmas songs. This was very well received and great fun.



We held 2 candle-lit crib services where children were invited to dress up and act out the Nativity story. It was wonderful to see so many families in church (over 340 adults and children), with such eager participation by the children, reminding us what a key part of Christmas these events were for so many people.

The church building was closed for services, ready for the redevelopment to start, with a combined congregations service on 31st December 2023.

Deanery Synod

The parish priest, any clergy licensed to the parish, two lay members of the PCC and any lay representatives of the Diocesan Synod, are members of the deanery synod. This provides the PCC with an important link between the parish and the wider structures of the church. The two lay members of Deanery Synod are Alison Saxton and Anita Campbell. They have been able to report back to the PCC about the meetings and events.

Use of the Church Buildings

Services in church

As reported earlier, the church provided 3 services per week, with around 90 attendees on a regular basis across them.

We were open each day from 8am to dusk for private prayer and contemplation, and to provide a warm space in these times of need.

With regard to the **Church building** itself, at the end of 2023 we finally achieved the sign off of the Church of England Faculty Application from the Chancellor for Sheffield Diocese for the small revisions to the reordering project. The contracts were signed in readiness for the building work to start in early January 2024. The plans are to make the building to be a warm, welcoming and accessible space for all who come, whether for regular services of worship, for special occasions, in times of need, or simply for quiet contemplation. Much has been learnt about the constraints our present building places on our outreach activities, and has supported the Business Plan for the redevelopment project "Step into the Light."

The aim is to offer a flexible space to better fit the building for future needs, for differing forms of worship and outreach activities. To be available for use such as for school visits, concerts and other events. Our plans and the architect's drawings are available on our website, and are also exhibited around the village wherever we have a presence.

Pledges and donations for the Church Development Fund are being received, and fundraising and outreach activities took place during 2023. The outcome of grant applications along with generous donations from the church membership saw the church reach a point where it could start work.

This has been a long journey, with a few refinements to the plans along the way, to something we are positive is the right thing to do for our church and local community, for now and the future.

Bell Tower - We are fortunate to have a high-quality ring of bells and a dedicated team of 11 bell ringers led by tower captain Richard Knights.

They ring the bells for Sunday morning services, for weddings and funerals on request, and for national and village events. Additionally, three-hour peals are attempted twice monthly throughout the year by a band of mainly visiting ringers, and the bells there are regularly requested by visiting groups of ringers from across the country due to their quality and availability. A peal was rung following the last service in the church building prior to redevelopment works. In 2023 there were 21 peals rung, making a total of 581 peals at Dore, and moving it up to 46th in the list of towers with most peals.

The local band demonstrate the art of bell ringing to local people; visiting the tower is a regular activity for local uniformed groups. In Summer 2023 there was a history tour of Christ Church where visitors had the opportunity of seeing into the Bell Tower. A small bell, thought to be part of the original chapel of ease on our site, is to be installed in the ringing room to make it safer and easier to demonstrate bell ringing.

Practice is on Friday evenings, new members are always welcome, and individuals with no experience can be trained from scratch in the ancient English art of change ringing.

Christ Church Dore Community Centre (CCDCC) is hired out to a wide range of community groups and the church. The refurbishment of the building took place during the summer of 2021. Since then it has attracted new user groups and many party bookings. It is now running at a profit and is investing in a new outside seating area between the Ark and the main community centre building, in memory of Geoffrey and Maureen Cope.

There were many new initiatives, both secular and Christian outreach throughout 2023. Christ Church members attend The Filling Station; a chance to meet, eat and worship with other Christians from the surrounding areas.



The Art and Craft group meet there on a monthly basis, and are going from strength to strength. The group created knitted chicks for Easter and Christmas puddings to distribute throughout the village, containing the appropriate chocolate treat inside.

The Community Centre has offered to help the church membership with a venue for services and meetings during the time when the church building is closed in 2024.

Fabric and Redevelopment Report

During Phase 1 and the preparation for Phase 2 of the redevelopment project, “Step into the Light,” the Fabric Committee and Redevelopment committee merged with the Standing Committee. This was a response to the amount of work which was required and the need for more people to share out the work. We are grateful to our churchwarden, Martin Blower for leading all aspects of Fabric and Redevelopment.

A detailed report, of which this is a summary is to be found in the papers for the Annual Parochial Church meeting. The routine maintenance schedules continue to be used as the basis for our budgeted maintenance work. They are reviewed on an annual basis. We have also sought more formal scope and price agreements with the various suppliers to the services detailed in the scheduled maintenance work. This has allowed us to control costs and undertake better budgeting. The main areas of work beyond the routine are identified below.

- Work on the clergy and choir vestry roofs May to September 2023.
- A repair of the gas boiler
- The removal of plaster from the choir vestry west wall due to water ingress.

The redevelopment project plans were altered slightly with an application for a further Faculty in order to remove the pews from the chancel in addition to the nave.

Church

The Church's five year inspection, The Quinquennial, was completed in 2021. The inspection had raised a number of priority areas both internally and externally and reinforced the need to carry out major refurbishment work as part of the Church Development Project. One particular area of focus was the Choir Vestry roof. This had been leaking intermittently for a number of years. The clergy vestry roof was also causing problems as were the drains. The PCC agreed to embark upon Phase 1 of the redevelopment project to address these issues. This was completed during the summer of 2023.

We continued to increase the biodiversity in our churchyard in keeping with our silver award from A Rocha Eco church scheme. To achieve the gold award we will need to make significant changes to our building, particularly from an energy efficiency perspective. It is hoped that following the reordering project we will be able to achieve this in 2025. The PCC decided that we would work with the Diocese of Sheffield to achieve carbon net zero by 2030. Baseline energy consumption was estimated as it was difficult without regular gas meter readings until Spring 2023 and no electricity smart meter until mid 2023.

Churchyard



Our churchyard is a precious resource and we encourage its biodiversity. We are a closed churchyard, and formally it is the responsibility of Sheffield City Council.

We are appreciative of the continued efforts put in by volunteers for the care of the churchyard. They keep the various flower beds in order, and have created colourful displays close to the entrance to church, refreshing them each season. They trim the shrubs that sometimes seem to take over. We have launched an Adopt a Grave scheme whereby individuals have tidied a particular grave. In return a Dore Archives Research Team member has researched the family and social history of that individual and shared it with the adopter. The churchyard was particularly beautiful during Spring when the wild flowers were at their best after the suspension of mowing for 14 weeks.

In July and October we held a 'Rake and Cake' Saturday in the churchyard, where volunteers, both church and community, came to clear areas, plant seeds, and prepare it for the summer and winter. July this year was less effective as we had torrential rain.

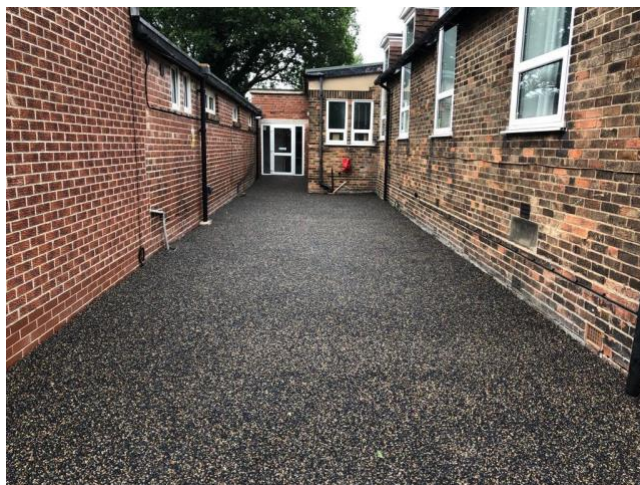


We have continued to care for the memorial rose garden, with the further planting of new rose bushes to add colour and fragrance to this place.

We employ a gardener to cut the grass, complimenting the re-wilding aims for the churchyard as a whole. We continue to use the council green bin scheme to assist with the disposal of Churchyard green waste.

Christ Church Dore Community Centre (CCDCC)

In 2019 a 'quinquennial' report was commissioned by the PCC on the condition of the fabric of the CCDCC. The management group for the Community Centre has taken delegated responsibility for this and they report to the PCC twice a year on progress. The bookings for the community centre are organised by a dedicated administrator.



Parish Office

This has been in service for several years now. It works very well. The project is now complete

with the re-tarmacing of the area outside the Parish Office. The PCC is considering with the CCDCC Management Committee an internal and external access reorganisation to make better use of space in the Parish Office.

Pastoral care

Some members of our parish are unable to attend church due to sickness or age. A member of the pastoral team visits all church members who request it, to celebrate communion with them either at their homes or in hospital, as well as bereavement visits.

Mission and evangelism

Helping those in need is a demonstration of our faith. At the end of each year, we have a Gift Day to raise money to give to our World Mission partners. The amount raised was divided equally amongst our mission partners.

Our Lent Box appeal for 2023 raised funds for the Grace Foodbank in Lowedges. Harvest 2023 this year focused on financial donations, rather the usual food and toiletries.

We have continued to support our Global Mission partners: The Oakes, Christian holiday centre for young people, Hazel Gray, Wycliffe Bible translation, Jason and Tracy Day, Church Mission Society, and Tear Fund.

We have a Church Newsletter that is produced monthly, and is available to all members of our congregations, as well as being shared with cafés, pubs and other businesses around the village. This keeps parishioners informed of important matters affecting our Church, as well as the various activities we are involved in, to share God's message. This news is reinforced by our news and notices on our website and our Facebook Page.

The **Christ Church Dore Ladies' group** provides a valuable link between the church, the village and the wider community, providing fellowship with talks, presentations and social events through their monthly meetings, started again this year.

Another opportunity for outreach within the local community is the **Baby and Toddler Group**, held in the Church hall on Thursday mornings, with a Nativity service held at Christmas. This is very well attended, with often more than 40 children and their carers sharing play and fellowship. Quoting from Katy Sanders' Toddler group report 'Helping at Toddler group is a wonderful way of shining God's love in a very practical way right into the heart of our community'.

A number of church members are regular volunteers at **Grace Food Bank** and the S2 Foodbank. We also have a collection box in the Church porch for donations to this critical cause, which has become more needed during the pandemic. Church members have contributed financial donations directly to the food bank.

For many years we have supported the **Genesis Shop** based on the Manor Estate. This involved providing good quality second hand clothes, toys and other items to their charity shop in one of the more deprived areas of Sheffield. In May we donated summer clothes and again in December, our congregations contributed many toys, which made a big difference at Christmas

for the children and adults living in that area.

Pathfinders (11-18 years old youth group) met weekly in the Community Centre and Ark, for food, teaching and games. The group finished in Summer 2023 due to the leaders retiring. The change in focus is to nurture a younger cohort of children through Godly Play and aim, if possible, to employ a worker to take youth work forward as they come to the relevant age.

Home Groups are a central part of the life of the church, and we are pleased to say that these are growing and thriving. The year started off with 7 Home Groups in place, with groups meeting on Monday evening (one group), Tuesday evening (two groups), Wednesday morning (two groups), Wednesday evening (one group), and Thursday evening (one group). We are very pleased to say that there is now also a new group, which has started in January 2024, meeting on a Monday afternoon.

Many of the groups have welcomed new members over this year, and the Home Group leaders have started to meet together for support, encouragement, and to make sure that we have a united vision and direction for the groups. The Home Groups meet for prayer, bible study (using a variety of resources which we are now looking to pool) and the sharing of our lives. A number of the groups have members from other churches. We look forward to what God will do in these groups over the coming twelve months.

Ecumenical relationships/Mission Partnerships

The **Local Mission team** met regularly. Their role is to be a point of contact and encourage all the church family to be involved in local mission & to take a lead in organising and supporting local mission activities. This also covers joint initiatives with churches in our mission area & S17.

Arise Sheffield is a crossover initiative, part local mission but also ecumenical and partnership working across Sheffield

We were involved with the Prayer Walking Initiative from Arise Sheffield where through Lent to Easter we took part in praying for each street in our area and sharing our Faith with the local community.

Filling Station is also an ecumenical initiative for which there are 150 churches in Sheffield working together.

We share **in local mission with Dore Methodist Church** for the village; Well Blessing and Remembrance Day at the war memorial. We are part of the ecumenical '**Prayer for S17**' group, which meets monthly alongside a monthly fellowship breakfast.

Leadership team - We are fortunate to have Richard Knights as licensed Lay Reader, and Jill Mitchell as Parish Evangelist. The rest of the leadership team comprises Martin Blower and Sarah Oxby who have completed their Foundation Course through St Peter's College, along with Robin Condliffe and Olayinka (Yinka) Oluwole who is undertaking the Foundation Course. Margaret Winstanley is our pastoral worker and has undertaken lay training for this role.

Since the pandemic we have been blessed with the number of people taking on significant responsibilities, sometimes holding more than one leadership role within the church. Also, with a number of the people in our congregation setting up new initiatives. This has brought a greater sense of togetherness than has been felt for a while.

As a Church community we have been very concerned about the often difficult situations and disadvantages experienced by people of colour in this country. We have representatives on the Diocesan Black Lives Matter Committee, and we have forged links with St Mary's Bramall Lane. We recognise that we need to move towards a truly inclusive society, and a worldwide Christian church which embraces people of all races, colour and gender, a diverse and welcoming church.

Financial review

Total receipts on unrestricted funds can be seen from the Financial report and Statement of Financial Activities later in this report. The amount raised was significantly higher than in previous years due to the fundraising for restricted income for Step into the Light redevelopment project.

Reserves policy

It is PCC policy to try to maintain a balance on free reserves (net current assets) which equates to at least three months' unrestricted payments, which for 2023 would equate to approximately £37,000.

The other purpose of reserves is to cover maintenance costs that are required throughout the year. Whilst this spend has been kept to a minimum as we get ready for the reordering project work to start, we do need to ensure that once that is complete, we have sufficient funds to maintain the church fabric and furnishings going forward.

More detail can be found in the financial statements and its associated narrative at the end of this report.

Structure, governance and management

The Parochial Church Council is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure. The PCC is a Registered Charity.

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules.

Membership of the PCC consists of the priest in charge, churchwardens, elected and ex-officio members of the Diocesan and Deanery Synods, and members elected to the PCC at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting. All those who attend our services and members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. New members receive initial training on the workings of the PCC.

Christ Church Dore Parochial Church Council met online 12 times in 2023.

In addition to regular business the PCC has debated various issues relevant to the life of our church including finance, fabric, redevelopment and global and local mission.

A Standing Committee with membership as agreed by the PCC carries out the work of the PCC between meetings.

Our **Church Safeguarding policy** is prominent on our website and in our church building. The key statement is -

Every person has a value and dignity which comes directly from the creation of male and female in God's own image and likeness. Christians see this potential as fulfilled by God's re-creation of us in Christ. This implies a duty to value all people as bearing the image of God and therefore to protect them from harm

Our parish safeguarding officer, Dr Yvonne Twelvetree, is connected to the Diocese Safeguarding Team and keeps the PCC briefed on changes to safeguarding requirements, and issues surrounding domestic abuse. She is aided by Sarah Oxby, deputy recruiting officer for DBS checks.

The PCC has complied with the duty to have due regard to the House of Bishops' guidance in relation to Safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.

Various groups support the work of the PCC. Our thanks go to all those who have worked tirelessly throughout the year with

- the Fabric Committee same as Standing Committee in 2023
- the Finance Committee
- the Building Development Fundraising Group
- the Local Mission Team

In addition we have people who have taken on lead roles such as Personnel, Eco Church champions, Black Lives Matter, Health and Safety.

We employ 3 members of staff, to support the work at Christ Church Dore. They comprised the Parish Administrator, CCDCC administrator, and church and community centre cleaner.

The Area Dean's visitation last took place in October 2022 and is planned to be next undertaken in 2025.

All returns required by the diocese (Parish Finance Return, Statistics for Mission Return), along with the Charity Commission return, have been completed on time.

Administrative information

Christ Church is situated in Dore, Sheffield. It is part of the Diocese of Sheffield within the Church of England.

The correspondence address is Parish Office, Townhead Road, Dore, Sheffield, S17 3GA.

Registered charity number 1128106.

At the APCM in 2023 we were allowed to have up to 12 Elected Members in total (based on Electoral Roll in May 2023 of 142 adults).

The PCC can co-opt 2 members. During the last year one member was co-opted in August and 2 vacancies were not filled. PCC therefore has less members than allowable as we reach the APCM. In addition we have ex-officio members of treasurer, churchwardens, vicar, deanery (2) and diocesan synod representatives.

PCC members who have served at any time from 1 January 2023 until the date this report was approved are:

Priest in Charge - Rev Andy Patrick

Churchwardens

Julia Stevens and Alison Saxton first elected in October 2020, and both re-elected in May 2022 until May 2023.

Sarah Oxby elected May 2023

Martin Blower elected May 2023

Elected Members

Paul Archer (Lay vice-chair)

Anita Campbell (PCC secretary and Deanery Synod rep)

Alison Saxton (PCC treasurer and Church Warden until May 2023 then Deanery Synod rep and treasurer)

Joan Giles (Deputy Warden) until May 2023

Jill Bush

Diana Downing

David Kirkman until May 2023

Kath Crosby

Margaret Winstanley

Paula Dowson

Olayinka Oluwole

David Wood Deputy Warden

Lena Plaskitt Deputy Warden

Nick Payne

Co-opted Members

Steve Clarke co-opted by PCC August 2023 is deputy treasurer

Ex-Officio Members

Diane Capps (Deanery Synod) until May 2023

Jackie Butcher (Diocesan Synod)

Also

Yvonne Twelvetree (Parish Safeguarding Officer). In April 2021 she became an observer invited to all the meetings, rather than a PCC member.

Christ Church Dore

End of Year Financial Statements

Year ending 2023

This report dated: 22nd October 2024

Charity Number 1128106

Approval by the Parochial Church Council on

and signed on its behalf by: Rev Andy Patrick

Signed version available in Parish Office

Christ Church Dore PCC
Sofa Separate Designated
For the period from 01 January 2023 to 31 December 2023

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Incoming resources						
Incoming resources from generated funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Voluntary income	114,880.95	3,516.48	228,911.40	-	347,308.83	206,667.59
Activities for generating funds	-	-	67,160.20	-	67,160.20	33,041.92
Investment income	497.20	2,099.35	9,675.50	-	12,272.05	3,956.91
Incoming resources from charitable activities	3,767.68	7,331.69	-	-	11,099.37	4,763.04
Other incoming resources	5,768.01	-	-	-	5,768.01	-
Total income	124,913.84	12,947.52	305,747.10	-	443,608.46	248,429.46
Resources used						
Cost of generating funds	24.37	-	625.88	-	650.25	-
Cost of generating voluntary income	106.54	-	399.95	-	506.49	3,864.29
Fundraising trading cost of goods sold and other costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment management costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	116,865.99	16,741.39	186,238.96	-	319,846.34	160,080.67
Governance costs	850.00	-	-	-	850.00	400.00
Other resources used	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditure	117,846.90	16,741.39	187,264.79	-	321,853.08	164,344.96
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	7,066.94	(3,793.87)	118,482.31	-	121,755.38	84,084.50
Transfers:						
Gross transfers between funds - in	-	457.00	4,088.16	-	4,545.16	374.67
Gross transfers between funds - out	(788.16)	(227.00)	(3,530.00)	-	(4,545.16)	(374.67)
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains/losses on investment assets	-	-	-	1,535.62	1,535.62	(2,177.79)
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	6,278.78	(3,563.87)	119,040.47	1,535.62	123,291.00	81,906.71
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward	55,331.46	69,212.31	205,132.60	106,322.57	435,998.94	354,092.23
Total funds carried forward	61,610.24	65,648.44	324,173.07	107,858.19	559,289.94	435,998.94

Christ Church Dore PCC

Balance Sheet (Summary)

	As at 31/12/2023	As at 31/12/2022
Fixed assets	-	-
Current assets		
Debtors	7,598.43	5,660.13
Investments	107,858.19	106,322.57
Cash At Bank And In Hand	443,708.32	323,880.24
	559,164.94	435,862.94
Liabilities		
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due In One Year	(125.00)	(136.00)
	(125.00)	(136.00)
Net current assets less current liabilities	559,289.94	435,998.94
Total assets less current liabilities	559,289.94	435,998.94
Liabilities		
	-	-
Total net assets less liabilities	559,289.94	435,998.94
Represented by		
Unrestricted		
Unrestricted - General Funds	61,610.24	55,331.46
Designated		
Designated - Brenda Dinsdale Lewis Legacy	2,125.34	2,058.87
Designated - Church Weekend Aways	(72.98)	(316.76)
Designated - Development Fund	67,596.08	67,243.20
Designated - New Wine Fund to underwrite future events	-	227.00
Designated - World Mission	(4,000.00)	-
Restricted		
Restricted - Agency collection	138.99	138.99
Restricted - CCD CC Refurbishment Fund	(6,548.85)	642.50
Restricted - CCD CC Running Fund	14,933.76	10,314.91
Restricted - Church Development Fund	311,650.25	193,143.20
Restricted - Income from Francis Gisbourne Trust	663.00	893.00
Restricted - Interest from Harwood bequest	3,335.92	-
Endowment		
Endowment - Harwood Bequest	90,000.00	90,000.00
Endowment - KT&WC Veall Trust	17,858.19	16,322.57
Fund Totals	559,289.94	435,998.94

Christ Church Dore PCC

Analysis of income and expenditure Selected period: 01 January 2023 to 31 December 2023

				Total		
	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Incoming resources						
Incoming resources from generated funds						
0101 - Gift Aided - Bank	80,630.00	-	-	-	80,630.00	75,719.00
0201 - Other planned giving	-	-	-	-	-	300.00
0210 - Non-Gift Aided - Bank	9,730.00	-	-	-	9,730.00	8,778.00
0301 - Loose plate collections	1,147.20	-	-	-	1,147.20	1,046.51
0401 - Regular gift days	-	2,902.73	-	-	2,902.73	3,222.50
0403 - SumUp Give a little GA'ed	467.44	-	-	-	467.44	299.03
0404 - SumUp Give a little Non-GA'ed	55.38	-	-	-	55.38	42.32
0405 - Amazon Smile receipts	35.15	-	-	-	35.15	24.91
0406 - SUMUP - Payaz Terminal	543.14	-	-	-	543.14	106.75
0410 - Giving through church boxes	-	-	-	-	-	-
0501 - One-off Gift Aided donations	160.00	-	-	-	160.00	2,656.78
0502 - One off non-Gift Aided donations	286.58	-	-	-	286.58	838.50
0503 - Lent Appeal	-	-	-	-	-	-
0510 - Gifts of quoted securities	-	-	-	-	-	-
0550 - Donations appeals etc	-	-	836.14	-	836.14	3,276.58
0560 - Donations for Church Office Development	-	-	-	-	-	-
0570 - Donations for Church Reordering	-	-	151,228.23	-	151,228.23	67,987.83
0575 - Loans for CCD Reordering	-	-	-	-	-	-
0580 - Donations for CCDCC Refurbishments	-	-	6,661.88	-	6,661.88	11,133.24
0601 - Tax recoverable on Gift Aided donations	20,382.31	613.75	36,685.15	-	57,681.21	21,650.54
0701 - Legacies	-	-	750.00	-	750.00	176.00
0801 - Recurring grants	-	-	-	-	-	6,059.44
0810 - Grants for CCDCC Refurbishment	-	-	-	-	-	500.00
0820 - Grants for CCD Reordering Project	-	-	32,750.00	-	32,750.00	-
08A1 - Non-recurring one-off grants	1,150.00	-	-	-	1,150.00	750.00
0901 - Other funds generated	293.75	-	-	-	293.75	2,099.66
0930 - Pathfinders Fund income	-	-	-	-	-	-
0830 - VAT Recovery - List of Places of Worship Scheme	-	-	27,947.33	-	27,947.33	-
0940 - Fund Raising for Church Reordering	-	-	3,006.99	-	3,006.99	-
0950 - Fundraising for CCDCC Refurbishment	-	-	-	-	-	-
1220 - Bookstall sales - fund raising	-	-	-	-	-	-
1230 - CCDCC lettings - misc rentals	-	-	36,205.88	-	36,205.88	33,041.92
1240 - CCDCC lettings - fund raising	-	-	-	-	-	-
1250 - Magazine income - advertising	-	-	-	-	-	-
1260 - Parish magazine sales	-	-	-	-	-	-
1001 - Dividends	-	-	-	-	-	-
1020 - Interest and dividends	497.20	2,099.35	9,575.50	-	12,172.05	3,856.91
1030 - Rent from lands or buildings	-	-	100.00	-	100.00	100.00
Incoming resources from generated funds Totals	115,378.15	5,615.83	305,747.10	-	426,741.08	243,666.42
Incoming resources from charitable activities						
1101 - Fees for weddings and funerals	3,767.68	-	-	-	3,767.68	2,787.00
1210 - Bookstall sales to promote objectives	-	-	-	-	-	-

					Total	
	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
1225 - Church Hall Lettings - internal use	-	-	-	-	-	-
1290 - Church Weekends Away Receipts	-	7,331.69	-	-	7,331.69	1,976.04
Incoming resources from charitable activities Totals	3,767.68	7,331.69	-	-	11,099.37	4,763.04
Other incoming resources						
1270 - Secretarial support - to others	-	-	-	-	-	-
1280 - Photocopying	-	-	-	-	-	-
1310 - Insurance claims	5,768.01	-	-	-	5,768.01	-
1320 - Surplus - sales of fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other incoming resources Totals	5,768.01	-	-	-	5,768.01	-
Incoming resources Grand totals	124,913.84	12,947.52	305,747.10	-	443,608.46	248,429.46

Resources used

Cost of generating funds

1701 - Fees paid to fund raisers	-	-	-	-	-	3,600.00
1710 - Costs of applying for grants	-	-	355.80	-	355.80	-
1720 - Costs of stewardship campaign	-	-	-	-	-	-
1730 - Costs of fetes & other events	-	-	-	-	-	112.50
1740 - Investment management costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
1750 - Costs from fees from banks	106.54	-	44.15	-	150.69	151.79
1725 - Costs for CCD Reordering Fund Raising Activities	24.37	-	625.88	-	650.25	-
Cost of generating funds Totals	130.91	-	1,025.83	-	1,156.74	3,864.29

Charitable activities

1801 - Giving to missionary societies	-	-	-	-	-	-
1820 - Giving from miscellaneous collections	-	-	944.89	-	944.89	5,138.12
1830 - Giving - relief and development agencies	-	-	-	-	-	-
1860 - World Mission	-	7,516.48	-	-	7,516.48	4,400.00
1870 - Secular charities	-	-	-	-	-	-
1880 - Pathfinders Fund Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-
1901 - Stipends quota	-	-	-	-	-	-
1910 - Ministry Common Fund	75,000.00	-	-	-	75,000.00	65,000.00
2001 - Assistant staff costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
2050 - Salary of parish administrator - Church	8,762.55	-	-	-	8,762.55	7,872.52
2055 - Salary for administration of CCDCC	-	-	4,364.74	-	4,364.74	3,049.40
2060 - Salary for CCDCC Cleaner	-	-	-	-	-	-
2070 - Salary/Payments for Church Running	1,106.04	-	-	-	1,106.04	1,021.37
2075 - Salary for Churchyard maintenance	-	-	-	-	-	-
2080 - Salary for church hall running	-	-	3,594.83	-	3,594.83	3,444.54
2085 - Salary for Eco Project Officer - Kickstart	-	-	-	-	-	5,993.56
2101 - Working expenses of clergy	996.75	-	-	-	996.75	261.44
2120 - Council tax	-	-	-	-	-	-
2130 - Vicarage house expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
2140 - Water rates - vicarage	566.13	-	-	-	566.13	518.07
2150 - Vicar's telephone	110.00	-	-	-	110.00	70.00
2170 - Education	-	-	-	-	-	-
2180 - Welcome and Hospitality	-	-	-	-	-	-
2201 - Parish training and mission	-	-	-	-	-	414.35

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total	
					This year	Last year
2210 - Church Activities - eg Away days, weekends	1,462.77	7,544.91	-	-	9,007.68	2,292.80
2240 - Children and Youth Mission	1,954.83	-	-	-	1,954.83	2,640.66
2250 - Home mission	2,117.54	-	-	-	2,117.54	1,557.85
2260 - Discipleship (Home Groups etc)	223.66	-	-	-	223.66	-
2301 - Church running - insurance	3,030.82	-	-	-	3,030.82	2,783.25
2310 - Church and office - telephone and WIFI	1,148.54	-	-	-	1,148.54	1,071.24
2320 - Church Equip & Maintenance	452.50	-	-	-	452.50	1,713.73
2330 - Church maintenance	726.79	-	-	-	726.79	2,940.23
2331 - Church - Cleaning Materials etc	80.36	-	-	-	80.36	109.80
2335 - Church Maintenance - Quinquennial	864.00	-	-	-	864.00	-
2340 - Upkeep of services	1,845.58	-	-	-	1,845.58	2,580.41
2345 - Expenses for Weddings and Funerals	-	-	-	-	-	-
2350 - Upkeep of churchyard	(95.00)	-	531.75	-	436.75	2,960.40
2360 - Administration	2,176.19	-	-	-	2,176.19	2,080.74
2365 - Administration & Financial Software Fees	308.99	-	-	-	308.99	225.99
2370 - Visiting speakers / locums	-	-	-	-	-	-
2380 - Church Activities - eg rent of CCDCC, Old School	300.00	-	-	-	300.00	451.25
2401 - Church running - electric	(607.33)	-	-	-	(607.33)	1,984.23
2410 - Church running - gas	3,971.42	-	-	-	3,971.42	3,769.08
2420 - Church running - water	1,266.61	-	-	-	1,266.61	96.00
2440 - Church running - heating and lighting	-	-	-	-	-	-
2501 - Magazine expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
2510 - Bookstall costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
2515 - CCDCC- management including professional fees	-	-	-	-	-	754.49
2520 - Hall running - oil	-	-	-	-	-	-
2530 - CCDCC running - electricity	-	-	2,211.38	-	2,211.38	1,576.81
2540 - CCDCC running - gas	-	-	1,135.89	-	1,135.89	4,240.03
2550 - CCDCC running - insurance	-	-	1,631.99	-	1,631.99	1,498.61
2560 - CCDCC running - maintenance	-	-	9,669.94	-	9,669.94	5,053.20
2565 - CCDCC Maintenance - Quinquennial	-	-	-	-	-	-
2570 - CCDCC running - telephone and broadband	-	-	302.29	-	302.29	260.00
2575 - CCDCC Running - admin systems etc	-	-	549.04	-	549.04	238.80
2580 - CCDCC running - water	-	-	760.34	-	760.34	802.41
2595 - CCDCC- Cleaning materials etc	-	-	566.59	-	566.59	713.91
2701 - Church major repairs - structure	8,800.00	-	104,139.94	-	112,939.94	-
2710 - Church major repairs - installation	-	-	-	-	-	-
2720 - Church interior and exterior decorating	-	-	2,280.00	-	2,280.00	-
2801 - CCDCC + major repairs - structure	-	-	7,700.00	-	7,700.00	-
2820 - CCDCC + major repairs - installation	-	-	810.93	-	810.93	13,981.38
2830 - CCDCC + interior and exterior decorating	-	-	13,150.97	-	13,150.97	1,758.00
2840 - Other PCC property upkeep	296.25	-	-	-	296.25	-
2920 - Building development - Church- Consultants	-	-	17,784.45	-	17,784.45	900.00
2921 - Building development - Church- Architects	-	-	14,109.00	-	14,109.00	-
2922 - Building development - Church- Contractors for building work etc	-	-	-	-	-	-
2923 - Building development - Church - Miscellaneous Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-
2925 - Building development - Church office	-	1,680.00	-	-	1,680.00	1,862.00
2930 - Building Development - Hall	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities Totals	116,865.99	16,741.39	186,238.96	-	319,846.34	160,080.67
Governance costs						
2375 - Governance costs examination/audit fees	850.00	-	-	-	850.00	400.00

				Total	
	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	
				This year	Last year
2601 - Governance costs examination/audit fee	-	-	-	-	-
Governance costs Totals	850.00	-	-	-	850.00 400.00
Other resources used					
3010 - Church Weekend away	-	-	-	-	-
Other resources used Totals	-	-	-	-	-
Resources used Grand totals	117,846.90	16,741.39	187,264.79	- 321,853.08	164,344.96

Accounting Policies as Stated in the Accounts

1. The financial statements have been prepared as accrual with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 together with applicable accounting standards and the Charities SORP. The financial statements have been prepared as accrual accounts as the gross income is greater than £250,000 except for the valuation of investment assets, which are shown at market value.

Funds

2. General funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restriction imposed by the donor or the terms of an endowment regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC.
3. The accounts include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of specific donations or legacies which are under the control of the incumbent and the churchwardens. Neither do the accounts include details of the affairs of groups who owe their affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members.

Incoming resources

Voluntary income and capital resources

4. Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC.
5. Income tax recoverable on gift aid donations is recognised when the income is recognised.
6. Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement and the amount due.
7. Funds raised by fetes and similar events are accounted for net.

Other ordinary income

8. Rental income from the letting of church premises is recognised when the rental is due or invoiced.

Income from investments

9. Dividends and interest are accounted for when receivable. All such income is receivable gross.

Gains and losses on investments

10. Realised gains and losses on investments are recognised when investments are sold. Unrealised gains and losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31 December.

Resources used

Grants

11. Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over or when awarded, if that award creates a binding obligation on the PCC.

Activities directly related to the work of the church

12. The parish share and ministry contribution are accounted for when payable. Any parish share unpaid at the year end is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not legal) liability and is shown as a creditor in the balance sheet.

Fixed assets

Consecrated land and buildings and moveable church furnishings

13. Consecrated and benefitted property is excluded from the accounts by s96(2) (a) of the Charities Act 2011.
14. No value is placed on moveable church furnishings held by the churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal since the PCC considers this to be inalienable property. All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or benefitted buildings and moveable church furnishings, whether maintenance or improvement, is written off as expenditure in the Statement of Financial Activities and separately disclosed.

Freehold land and buildings

15. No depreciation is considered. The Church does not pay tax, and therefore the purpose of depreciation, to offset against tax is not applicable.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

16. No depreciation is considered. The Church does not pay tax, and therefore the purpose of depreciation, to offset against tax is not applicable.

Investments

17. Investments are stated at market value at 31 December 2023.

Notes to support the 2023 Accounts

I must start this analysis by thanking Alison Saxton for all her hard work and dedication both to the church but also to these accounts. Alison has steered the church financially for over 10 years and it is almost impossible to comprehend the huge effort and dogged determination shown to bring us to this position. **Alison – thank you.**

Statement of Financial Activities Report

2023 is the start of a tumultuous 2-year period both in the church and specifically the finances of the Church. After the amazing response to the Gift Day in September it is hardly surprising that total funds are now £559,289 an increase of £123,291.

What is more surprising is that this increase is in spite of substantial expenditure for Phase 1 of the re-ordering scheme i.e. the new roofs on both the Choir Vestry and Vicar's Vestry, these costs were over £80,000 and with professional fees we spent almost £100,000. There were also preparatory professional fees for phase 2 as well.

Unfortunately, we have to split all our accounts into Unrestricted (i.e. the funds can be spent on any church activity) and Restricted which falls into 2 categories – Designated (funds spent at the discretion of the PCC) and Restricted (funds can ONLY be spent as directed by the donor). The Brenda Harwood Trust is a prime example where we can only spend the income on the Churchyard with the capital protected – hence we cannot use the £90,000 for the re-ordering.

Analysis of Income and Expenditure

I would just like to highlight some notable points: -

Regular giving again increased by over 6% and approx. 90% of giving is Gift aided boosting regular donations by over £20,000. Whilst there will be significant Grant income this year, we still received £32,750 helping to defray the phase 1 costs mentioned previously. Both phase 1 and phase 2 are eligible for the Listed Places of Worship Scheme which repays the VAT incurred in the building project. The scheme repaid VAT of almost £28,000.

We received a significant increase in interest and dividends reflecting both the increase in interest rates but much better performance on the modest Endowment Funds we hold. Apart from the Brenda Harwood Trust we will be selling the smaller investments to help fund phase 2. There was a modest increase in Wedding and Funeral fees, but we will see a significant reduction this year. The insurance claim represents a claim for the broken drain discovered during phase 1 works.

As regards expenditure if we put aside the significant building costs of almost £113,000 the largest expense as usual is Common Fund i.e. the monies paid to the Diocese. In 2023 we

paid slightly more than originally requested at £75,000 a 15% uplift on 2022. Again, as a congregation your generosity enabled us to increase our Global Mission support to £7,500 – thank you.

As per previous years both the lettings income and the costs of the Christ Church Dore Community Centre are recorded within our General Fund hence the large decorating bill paid in 2023. The Community Centre is now on a much firmer financial basis under the careful stewardship of Pete Sanders and his team.

Professional fees are a substantial item in 2023 totaling over £30,000. Some of these fees relate to phase 2 thereby reducing the fee costs for 2024.

Robert Hunt

Treasurer

October 2024

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF CHRIST CHURCH DORE, PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

I report on the accounts of Christ Church Dore Church for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The church's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The church's trustees consider that although an audit and Independent Examination is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act)) an Independent Examination has been requested and carried out. .

It that respect, It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act);
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the gross income for the year exceeds the amount provided in section 145(3) of the Act, I confirm that I am qualified to act as Independent Examiner under the provisions of that section of the Act.

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Ashley Ellis

1st September 2024

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