

# **St Mary's Church, West Derby**

## **Annual Report of the Parochial Church Council 2023**

*The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of West Derby, St Mary*

*Charity Commission Registration No. 1128143*

*For the year ended 31st December 2023*

*An Anglican Church in the Diocese of Liverpool and the Province of York*

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**PCC ST MARY'S**  
**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of 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 (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).

## **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

### **Objectives and aims**

The PCC aims to consult with the Rector on matters of general concern to the parish and to promote in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, social, evangelistic and ecumenical. The general functions of the PCC are stated within section 2 of the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956. When planning activities for the year, the PCC gave consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance to charities concerned with the advancement of religion.

## **ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE**

The following section highlights areas of activity and performance.

### **Worship**

We were pleased that following the pandemic our acts of worship reverted to a familiar pattern. The weekly Sung Eucharist on Sunday at 10.00 a.m. continued to be the principal focus of worship. St Mary's remains committed to continuing and developing this traditional expression of Church. The monthly parade service has not, as yet, been reinstated.

The Sunday 9:00 a.m. "All Age" Service had a core number of attendees, equally split between adults and children. This less formal service, is aimed at young children and their parents, many of whom were either unfamiliar with the more formal parish Eucharist or preferred a more relaxed setting. This service remains well attended.

The Sunday 8:00a.m. Service of Holy Communion continued to be popular with those who prefer a more reflective service.

The Sunday 6:00 p.m. Evensong service was held monthly, usually on the 1st Sunday of the month.

There were 35 Baptisms at St Mary's in 2023. The electoral roll contained 279 members. There were 36 confirmations in 2023 and St Mary's hosted 6 full weddings and 1 wedding blessing. There were 25 Funerals taken by the clergy in Church and 13 Burial of Ashes Services. There were no funeral services held at the Crematorium or Cemetery.

The Rector's weekly visit to St. Mary's School to lead assembly continues. The Bible study group has met regularly, as has the Mothers Union.

### **The Rector's Report 2023**

This report looks back at the life of the Parish for the year 2023.

### **The Parochial Church Council (PCC):**

The Parochial Church Council has met regularly throughout the reporting year. The PCC has met all its statutory obligations during this reporting year. The nature of the business discussed by the PCC has been regarding church finance, the church building and property owned by the PCC, safeguarding, mission and worship and any other matters which occur.

PCC meetings always begin and conclude with prayer; knowing always that what we discuss is to always further the Kingdom of God within our parish and to advance the mission of the Gospel.

### **The Standing Committee (SC):**

The PCC is supported by the officers of the Standing Committee (SC). The SC meets regularly between PCC meetings to discuss and to set the agenda for the next PCC meeting. The SC is also able to meet on an ad hoc basis to discuss any item of urgent business.

### **Fit for Mission – The Parish of Christ our Hope:**

This year has seen further developments in the Deanery's vision to become one single parish. This is effectively made possible by creating a large team ministry across most of the churches in the West Derby deanery except for St John Tuebrook, St John Knotty Ash, and us.

As the team parish of Christ our Hope has moved forward this year, so has the more technical questions and issues which surround the legal status of creating a new single parish of which we are not part. However, the Rector holds historic rights to some of the churches involved and these are called 'patronages'. There has been some considerable work to attempt to resolve some of these technical issues but this remains an ongoing issue throughout this reporting period.

This PCC has remained outside the Fit for Mission parish of Christ our Hope and this means that very little should change for St Mary's in terms of the parish and structure. The main aspect of change will be how we at St Mary's relate to the new parish of Christ our Hope. We have been learning more about this during this year.

### **Worship:**

I am delighted with the steady numbers of attendees at our regular worship here at St Mary's. On the whole, numbers have remained consistent over the year. It is always great to see new faces as well as any returning faces. The structure of our worship has worked reasonably well this year. The 0800 Sunday Eucharist runs into the 0900 All Age Service which, in turn, leads us on to the 1000 Parish Eucharist. The first Sunday of the month is busier because of any baptisms and Choral Evensong. This is where I am greatly indebted to my clergy colleagues, The Revd Barbara Smith and the Revd Robert Williams. Their contribution to the life and worship at St Mary's has been invaluable and I am so grateful for the support you have both given.

There has been an average number of funerals, burial of ashes and baptisms during the year. However, I noted that there were fewer weddings on average which could possibly be due to the economic climate.

I very much hope that our worship remains at a consistently high standard – we all do our very best! The standard is not just set by me, Robert or Barbara but by a dedicated team who come together to lead our prayer and praises week by week. Kathy and Gemma whose ministry is valued as the liturgical deacons at our Parish Eucharist; those who read the scriptures and who intercede; our chalice assistants; the All Age Team – leaders, supporters and stampers; our serving team, sacristan and those who wash the sacred linen; our musicians – organists and choir and especially those who teach, play and sing and it was great to appoint our organ scholar, Helen Lunn (through the John Pilling Trust); those who staff the back of the church and who tidy up; those who provide refreshments.

### **Outside of Worship:**

However, we still needed to pay our bills and as we all know, the cost of fuel has dramatically increased.

Church heating during the cooler months was significantly higher compared to this time last year.

The cost-of-living crisis has also influenced our church finances. There has been a sharp increase in almost all commodities and there is less disposable income available to give to the church. Individuals and families, churches, other charities and businesses have all been affected.

### **Finally:**

Over the past year, the Wardens, Standing Committee and PCC have worked incredibly hard to ensure that St Mary's remains a beacon of God's love and presence in West Derby. I would like to thank all our church officers, colleagues and friends for their time, wisdom and dedication.

This year has not been particularly easy for me on a personal level. We all have issues and concerns and believe me clergy are no different! However, I do receive a vast amount of love and support from so many of you here at St Mary's whether in the Church, Centre or School. I enjoy the banter, the smiles and the laughs but also share in the pain and the tears as together we walk making a difference to the kingdom of God here in West Derby.

Finally, thank you for your love, prayers and support in my ministry. It's not always easy being a clergy person, but the support from St Mary's church, Millennium Centre, school, and people is immense and as your Rector, I remain your grateful servant in Christ.

The Reverend Stephen Boyd, Dip. H.E., B.Th. (Oxon).

### **Churchwardens' Report 2023**

2023 continued the return of a feeling of normality. The Rector, Rev Barbara Smith and Rev Robert Williams were still on form. Services on Sunday followed their usual pattern and the 10.00 Wednesday morning Eucharist service continued to be attended by a small group. Attendance is still lower than it had been but the real casualty of covid has been evening and special services. Evensong, beautifully sung by the choir, still has a very small congregation and special services to mark events in the church year are also very poorly attended. This is a matter for concern, especially Evensong because the choir prepare so well. The 8.00 service hovered round the 25-30 mark plus children. The 9.00 consistently has around 100 adults and children in church most Sundays in term time and is still well-led by Kelly and Vinnie. The 10.00 Eucharist maintains a loyal congregation but there is a definite lack of children at this service. We still don't have much crossover from the 9.00 to 10.00 services. The service is still enhanced by the choir singing beautiful music and many comment on how much the music uplifts them. Baptisms are steady and take place the first Sunday of each month. Confirmation took the form of a joint service with St Anne's and was well supported by confirmees and their families. Outdoor Ecumenical Community services took place on Good Friday, Remembrance Sunday and Christmas Eve and were well attended.

The building causes constant concern. Yet again we have had roof problems which have affected the interior of the church, and which have necessitated expensive repairs. Buckets are a frequent feature. The sudden universal fuel increases have also caused difficulties with the building being heated less often. The gardens are still well maintained, and we thank Dawn, Alan and others for their time.

The Wardens thoroughly appreciate the support given by a loyal band of sidespeople and past wardens, especially at the 8.00 service which helps us immensely. We thank all those who have worked so hard to keep the services running smoothly and Barbara for her invaluable help with the rotas and as general communicator. We could still welcome a few more members. This year we said goodbye to Keith Rice after 20 years of service, Jane Wheeler and Gerry Hughes. We thank them for their support. We also had to say farewell to Jean Ashton who was such a huge support in so many ways.

We are continuing to try and make all feel welcome at St Mary's, especially families with babies and toddlers. The children's corner is available, with quiet toys and books. Older worshippers appreciate the offer of pew communion if necessary. Both the High and side altars were used.

St Mary's couldn't function without its friendly, helpful congregation and we love to welcome you each Sunday at one or more of our services.

Pat Goodman and Steph Ellison. Wardens.

### **Secretary's Report 2023**

The Parochial Church Council met in full session on six occasions through the year. Meetings were well attended and conducted in a friendly atmosphere.

As usual, much of the business of the council was of a routine nature and supported the smooth running of our normal business.

Some items of business stood out from the rest. The year began as 2022 had finished, with the confirmation of our position regarding withdrawal from the Fit for Mission pilot scheme. The council met with Rev. Richard Gedge, the Fit for Mission director/manager. We explained in some detail why we were unhappy with the proposals, so that there was no ambiguity. There was no change of mind.

We were pleased to have Confirmations on the agenda once more to rectify the backlog which had occurred in 2020/21/22. Timings proved to be a challenge, but we were able to secure the services of Bishops Geoff Pearson and Cyril Ashton who led a combined service with our friends from St. Anne Stanley in St. Mary's.

Lay participation in services was revisited and new rotas were drawn up for assistants with the Chalice, Reading and leading the Intercessions.

We were pleased to be able to recommend four members of St. Mary's to serve as Governors of St. Mary's School. All are now in post.

We were sorry to lose our Organ Scholar, Matthew Breen, who had secured a post as assistant Director of Music at St. Fin Barre's Church of Ireland Cathedral in Cork. We were, however pleased to be able to replace him with Helen Lunn, who quickly settled into our music making at St. Mary's. We are grateful to the John Pilling Trust for their continued financial support for this venture.

As ever, Safeguarding is never far from our thoughts. It is a regular agenda item for our meetings. Thankfully there were no issues to deal with during the year.

The council had struggled somewhat due to the lack of a treasurer, though a small group had continued to ensure that our financial obligations were met. There appeared to be some possibilities on the horizon, which we hope will come to fruition by the time we next have an annual report.

A small programme of social events emerged as the year went on. A group of like-minded helpers set up a WhatsApp communication group to help with the smooth running of events. Our thanks go to them.

We continue having to keep a careful eye on aspects of the fabric of the church building. This will feature in the buildings report. We also need to ensure that we are not wasteful in our use of utilities, given the cost of the same. Alternatives are either too costly or just not feasible given the size and nature of our building.

Although not without some concerns, the year passed in an encouraging way, with various former practices being reinstated, giving the church a more homely feeling of togetherness. Long may it continue.

Reg Goodman – PCC Secretary

### **Buildings Report 2023**

The principal item of note during the year was the Quinquennial Inspection. The report did not reveal anything of which we were not aware. The report was discussed with Mr. Tom Beesley, the diocesan buildings advisor. Much of the phased proposals would depend on the availability of funds. A major item, however, was the state of the roof and timbers in the vicinity of the south transept / chapel / south side of the chancel. Investigations were set in motion in the latter months of the year. We await costings for the inevitable repairs. Grant aid will need to be sought once such costings are to hand. Thankfully, we received a healthy legacy from the estate of the late Geoff Peacock, which is to be used exclusively for the maintenance of the organ and the church building. That should give us some room for manoeuvre.

It is hoped that we may be able to replace lighting units in the vestry and office with LED units, thus making the whole church lit by LEDs. An upgrade of the electrical sockets is also proposed.

Some remedial work has been carried out to the windows at No. 2 The Village. Further work would be desirable, but we have to bear in mind the circumstances of the current tenant, so we tread carefully. No.4 The Armoury, meanwhile, is generally in good order.

On the initiative of the Millennium Centre, a planter has been built at the North West corner of the church, as a memorial to Jean Ashton, former churchwarden, who along with her husband, Phil, looked after our grounds so admirably for many years. The PCC is happy to be associated with this fine gesture.

The Car Park continues to suffer from the depredations of heavy traffic use. Some potholes have been repaired thanks to the generosity of some members of the congregation, but this is an area of concern, since we do not have the funds constantly to repair damage caused by the public. A height barrier has been put in place to deter larger vehicles, but we cannot close the grounds altogether. Far more parking provision is needed in the village given the pressure created by so many pubs, bars and eateries, not to mention the country park, in such a confined space. It is difficult, and not a little frustrating, to know where the answer lies.

We continue to be grateful to the small group of volunteers who keep our grounds tidy and attractive. Thank you all.

Reg Goodman

### **West Derby Deanery Synod Report 2023**

All meetings have been well attended by representatives of St Mary's.

Due to the retirement of the previous postholder, the synod is without a lay-chair and despite requests at all meetings, nobody has come forward to fill the vacancy.

The meetings have been challenging in respect of Fit for Mission. Firstly, some churches have great difficulty accepting that our Rector holds a number of patronages some of which are for churches which have joined the Fit for Mission process, and there have been numerous attempts to remove him from these roles. The reasoning behind this appears to be the concern that Stephen's influence will be extended beyond his current scope of patronage. The principal comment has been that 'this is not personal towards Stephen' but the defence for Stephen's position has been robust from St John, Knotty Ash, St John Tuebrook and ourselves. A proposal that Stephen's influence is diluted to encompass only the appointment of the Team Rector, and he will not be involved in appointments of Team Vicars was proposed and carried by 21 votes to 10.

Recently, a new vicar was installed at The Good Shepherd West Derby, where Stephen is patron. As was his right, Stephen presented the vicar to the Bishop, but when the Deanery clergy were invited to greet the new vicar, only the clergy who were in the Fit for Mission scheme were asked to offer their greetings, a move that was both extremely disappointing and very divisive.

There is very little else to report. We watched a presentation by our new Bishop about his vision for the future, and a decision was carried to close Holy Spirit Dovecot as the church hall used for worship had become unsafe.

Kevin Mulcahy

## **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

### **Treasurer's Report 2023**

Following two successive years in which St Mary's recorded deficits of £13,670 (2021) and £26,962 (2022), it was a hugely welcome development that in 2023 an overall surplus position of £57,258 was achieved.

The main reason for this turnaround was due to a series of legacies, amounting to £66,000 in total.

In accordance with the wishes of the deceased, the funds were assigned to the Building Fund (£40,000), the Organ Fund (£20,000) and the General Fund (£6,000) and we would like to extend our thanks to the families concerned for their generosity.

With urgent building repairs required to the church roof in 2024, it is reassuring to know that we now have the funds available in order to proceed with the works.

It is also comforting to know that the Organ Fund is in a healthy position, after spending in excess of £17,000 on repairs during the previous year.

Whilst the financial situation is favourable, with regards to the Restricted Funds, unfortunately the same cannot be said of the General Fund, which recorded a deficit of £11,555 in 2023.

This is the sixth consecutive year in which the General Fund has incurred a deficit and cumulatively this amounts to £51,587 worth of losses since 2018.

Unfortunately, it is self-evident that St Mary's church has been consistently falling short, when it comes to raising sufficient funds to cover its day to day running expenses.

The largest individual outgoing in 2023 was the Diocesan Share for £92,003, which increased by £2,674 compared to the previous year.

Insurance was the second largest expense item, costing £5,770 in 2023; compared to £5,793 in 2022.

Rising energy costs also added additional pressure to St Mary's Finances, with electricity charges increasing by over 130% to £3,692 and gas charges increasing by over 110% to £3,063.

Revenues were also adversely affected due to the relative decrease in weddings and funeral services in 2023.

There were 6 weddings held at St Mary's in 2023, as compared to 10 wedding services in 2022 and 38 funerals / burial of ashes services, as compared to 50 in the previous year.

Overall, net wedding and funeral income was down on the previous year by approximately £2,100.

Although the "cost of living crisis" is clearly having a challenging impact on the local residents of West Derby, the Parish Giving Scheme continued to be a popular channel for regular giving; yielding £34,787 in 2023.

There were also a number of one-off donations and we are truly grateful for the generosity you have shown year after year, in support of St Mary's Church.

In last year's Treasurer's Report it was announced that Nick Byrne had been appointed as Dave Hale's successor. Unfortunately, however, in November 2023 Nick notified the PCC that he was unable to take up the position of Treasurer, due to a change in circumstances at work.

Dave continued to carry out his duties in a "caretaker capacity" until April 2024 when Jenny Lake expressed an interest in taking on the role and was duly appointed by the PCC in July 2024.

For 2023, Dave and Jenny worked together on the preparation of the financial statements and the "handover process" will continue on into 2024, when Jenny will take the lead role in the Finance Team, with Dave continuing to offer support, guidance (and encouragement) in equal measure.

Dave Hale and Jenny Lake – Finance Team

## **FUTURE PLANS**

In 2024 the PCC intends to continue to worship God, who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit and serve our neighbour. We shall continue to provide and develop regular public worship open to all, space for personal prayer and undertake parish based pastoral work including home communions, visiting the sick and bereaved, collective worship in local schools, and other matters pastoral, social, evangelical and ecumenical. Additionally, we shall support and develop mission and stewardship in the parish. We shall teach Christianity through sermons, courses and small groups.

## **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

St Mary's, West Derby PCC is a body corporate and operates under the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956 and the Church Representation Rules. The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of West Derby, St Mary is registered with the Charity Commission Registration No. 1128143.

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All church members are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC. The Annual Meeting has agreed that PCC members should be elected for a term of up to 3 years, with equal number of places shared between terms of 1, 2 and 3 years.

The PCC has a number of members with skills in financial and business management and good representation in terms of gender and ethnic background. Safeguarding procedures also continue to be implemented.

The PCC has various sub-committees established for particular issues. The Standing Committee deals with day to day matters and sets the agenda for each PCC meeting. There is also a Buildings Committee, a Finance Committee, a Social Committee and a Mission/ Pastoral Committee.

Membership in 2023 comprised:

Standing Committee: Incumbent, PCC Vice-Chair, Churchwardens, PCC Secretary, PCC Treasurer, and Richard Jones

Finance Committee: Incumbent, Churchwarden, Dave Hale, Jenny Lake, Oscar Ip (Payroll Officer)

Buildings Committee: Incumbent, Churchwarden, Reg Goodman, Richard Jones, Diane Thomas

Social Committee: In abeyance for 2023

Mission / Pastoral Committee: Incumbent, Brian Yates, Kathy Yates

PCC members receive induction training including trustee responsibilities, basic health and safety, risk assessment and management, and child protection procedures.

Related trusts:

St Mary's Millennium Centre (Liverpool) Ltd Charity Registration number 1071799 - 1 member of the PCC is a trustee of the Centre. The PCC rents facilities from the Centre.

### **Risk management**

To identify their major risks, the PCC carries out a programme of risk assessments. Procedures are then put in place to manage those risks and minimize their impact on the life of the church. Action to cover the main areas of risk includes the following:

#### **Financial Risk**

An annual budget based on historical and other anticipated expenditure is prepared to monitor viability. Actual results compared with budget are reported to the PCC quarterly. The investments held by the PCC are reviewed every three months by the Finance Sub-Committee who report to the PCC in due course. Investments are only made if they are of low risk and approved for charity use. All assets are insured.

Reserve levels are reviewed annually and approved by the PCC. The PCC has approved internal controls for annual accounts; cash and cheque handling implemented with Diocesan assistance.

#### **Health and Safety**

The Church has a PCC representative with specific responsibility for Health and Safety issues. The PCC is regularly advised of the risks and the necessary compliance requirements and it is ensured that these are being complied with. Specific procedures for recording accidents are in place. These procedures are reviewed on an annual basis and formally reported to the PCC. The PCC approved an updated Lone worker Policy in 2014. All formal risk assessments are listed within the PCCs Risk Register and are reviewed annually.

All Wardens and Sidespeople are aware of Fire Safety procedures.

Plans have been agreed with the Church School for services to be held in the school hall in event of the church becoming unusable for a limited period.

#### **Children and Vulnerable Adult Protection**

The PCC adopted revised policies for the protection of Children and Vulnerable Adults in 2009. Subsequent revisions of the policy have been noted and implemented. It is the policy of the PCC that all those who work with or alongside children or vulnerable adults make an application and declaration, and obtain 2 references and be subject to the provisions of the Disclosure and Barring Service.

Safeguarding Officers:

Children and Young People  
Vulnerable Adults

Lynn Chute  
Jan Morgan

**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Registered Charity number**  
1128143

**Principal address**

Parish Office  
c/o St Mary's Millennium Centre  
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Liverpool  
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**Independent examiner**

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## REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

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During the period 1 January 2023 until the annual meeting on Sunday 19th May 2024 the following people served as PCC members and trustees of the Charity (unless indicated otherwise):

Rector: Revd. Stephen William Boyd

Assistant Clergy: Revd. Jennifer Bowen (Honorary Curate)  
Revd. Robert Williams (Honorary Curate)

Churchwardens: Stephanie Ellison and Pat Goodman

Sidespeople: Kathy Begley, Elizabeth Bull, Barbara Cain, Alastair Caird, Andrew Dawes, Julie Dickinson, Joanne Holmes, Peter Holmes, Elsie Logue, Lynne Metcalfe, Jan Morgan, Carolyn Parker, Keith Rice, Pat Rice, Maureen Stewart, Sue Sullivan, Diane Thomas, Gary Tully, Paula Tully, Jane Wheeler, Anne Willdridge,

Readers Kathy Yates (PCC representative)  
Jane Ward

Deanery Synod Representatives: Gemma Bowdery  
Lyndsay Dowdeswell  
Barbara Moore  
Jan Morgan  
Kevin Mulcahy

Elected Members of PCC Kathy Begley  
Barbara Cain  
Rosemary Critchley  
Andrew Dawes  
Reginald Goodman (PCC Secretary)  
Dave Hale (Honorary Treasurer)  
Richard Jones  
Adam Price  
Kerry Stewart  
Diane Thomas (Health & Safety Officer)  
Cheryl Webster  
Brian Yates (PCC Vice Chair)

The Electoral Roll Officer is Cheryl Webster

Bankers: Barclays (Leicester, LE87 2BB) and CBF Church of England Deposit Fund (80 Cheapside, London EC2V 6DZ).

Day to day management control of the Church was exercised by the Standing Committee. This has comprised the Incumbent, the Vice Chair of the PCC, the Churchwardens, the PCC Secretary, and Sub-Committee leaders. The Standing Committee is contactable via the church office 0151 256 6600.

**Volunteer Staff**

Keepers of the Clock  
Director of Music  
Organist Emeritus  
Sacristan  
Verger

Ian Graham and Francis Lilley  
Kevin Mulcahy  
Peter Miller  
Alan Jones  
Dawn Brunskill

This report and financial statements were approved by the Parochial Church Council on 20 October 2024



**Mr B. Yates**  
Vice Chair



**Mrs J. Lake**  
Honorary Treasurer

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF PCC ST MARY'S

### Independent examiner's report to the trustees of PCC St Marys

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 December 2023.

### Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

### Independent examiner's statement

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

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

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



**James McCarthy – Director**

**Member of the ICAEW**

Lennox Finance (UK) Ltd

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Allerton

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23 October 2024

**PCC ST MARY'S**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

|                                    |       | Unrestricted<br>fund  | Restricted<br>funds   | Endowment<br>fund    | 31.12.23<br>Total funds | 31.12.22<br>Total funds |
|------------------------------------|-------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
|                                    | Notes | £                     | £                     | £                    | £                       | £                       |
| <b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>  |       |                       |                       |                      |                         |                         |
| Donations and legacies             |       | 86,310                | 68,933                | -                    | 155,243                 | 95,514                  |
| <b>Charitable activities</b>       |       |                       |                       |                      |                         |                         |
| Other income                       |       | 16,950                | -                     | -                    | 16,950                  | 22,341                  |
| Other income                       | 2     | -                     | -                     | -                    | -                       | 2,756                   |
| Investment income                  | 3     | <u>10,724</u>         | <u>152</u>            | <u>-</u>             | <u>10,876</u>           | <u>10,544</u>           |
| <b>Total</b>                       |       | 113,984               | 69,085                | -                    | 183,069                 | 131,155                 |
| <b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>              |       |                       |                       |                      |                         |                         |
| Raising funds                      |       | -                     | -                     | -                    | -                       | -                       |
| <b>Charitable activities</b>       |       |                       |                       |                      |                         |                         |
| Other expenditure                  |       | <u>(125,539)</u>      | <u>(5,822)</u>        | <u>-</u>             | <u>(131,361)</u>        | <u>(152,025)</u>        |
| <b>Total</b>                       |       | (11,555)              | 63,263                | -                    | 51,708                  | (20,870)                |
| Net gains/(losses) on investments  |       | <u>-</u>              | <u>3,430</u>          | <u>2,120</u>         | <u>5,550</u>            | <u>(6,092)</u>          |
| <b>NET INCOME</b>                  |       | (11,555)              | 66,693                | 2,120                | 57,258                  | (26,962)                |
| <b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>     |       |                       |                       |                      |                         |                         |
| <b>Total funds brought forward</b> |       | <u>261,636</u>        | <u>41,765</u>         | <u>22,537</u>        | <u>325,938</u>          | <u>352,900</u>          |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b> |       | <u><u>250,081</u></u> | <u><u>108,458</u></u> | <u><u>24,657</u></u> | <u><u>383,196</u></u>   | <u><u>325,938</u></u>   |

**PCC ST MARY'S**

**BALANCE SHEET  
AT 31 DECEMBER 2023**

|                                                  |       | Unrestricted<br>fund | Restricted<br>funds | Endowment<br>fund | 31.12.23<br>Total funds | 31.12.22<br>Total funds |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------|----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
|                                                  | Notes | £                    | £                   | £                 | £                       | £                       |
| <b>FIXED ASSETS</b>                              |       |                      |                     |                   |                         |                         |
| Tangible assets                                  | 7     | 128,000              | -                   | -                 | 128,000                 | 128,000                 |
| Investments                                      | 8     | <u>120,000</u>       | <u>30,728</u>       | <u>24,657</u>     | <u>175,385</u>          | <u>169,835</u>          |
|                                                  |       | 248,000              | 30,728              | 24,657            | 303,385                 | 297,835                 |
| <b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>                            |       |                      |                     |                   |                         |                         |
| Debtors                                          | 9     | 8,802                | -                   | -                 | 8,802                   | 8,973                   |
| Cash at bank and in hand                         |       | <u>13,741</u>        | <u>77,730</u>       | <u>-</u>          | <u>91,471</u>           | <u>41,191</u>           |
|                                                  |       | 22,543               | 77,730              | -                 | 100,273                 | 50,164                  |
| <b>CREDITORS</b>                                 |       |                      |                     |                   |                         |                         |
| Amounts falling due within one year              | 10    | <u>(20,462)</u>      | <u>-</u>            | <u>-</u>          | <u>(20,462)</u>         | <u>(22,061)</u>         |
| <b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>                        |       | <u>2,081</u>         | <u>77,730</u>       | <u>-</u>          | <u>79,811</u>           | <u>28,103</u>           |
| <b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS<br/>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b> |       | <u>250,081</u>       | <u>108,458</u>      | <u>24,657</u>     | <u>383,196</u>          | <u>325,938</u>          |
| <b>NET ASSETS</b>                                |       | <u>250,081</u>       | <u>108,458</u>      | <u>24,657</u>     | <u>383,196</u>          | <u>325,938</u>          |
| <b>FUNDS</b>                                     | 11    |                      |                     |                   |                         |                         |
| Unrestricted funds                               |       |                      |                     |                   | 250,081                 | 261,635                 |
| Restricted funds                                 |       |                      |                     |                   | 108,458                 | 41,766                  |
| Endowment funds                                  |       |                      |                     |                   | <u>24,657</u>           | <u>22,537</u>           |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>                               |       |                      |                     |                   | <u>383,196</u>          | <u>325,938</u>          |

The financial statements were approved by the Parochial Church Council on 20 October 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:



**Mr B. Yates**  
Vice Chair



**Mrs J. Lake**  
Honorary Treasurer

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of preparing the financial statements**

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) '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 (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with the exception of investments which are included at market value, as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

**Income**

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

**Expenditure**

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

**Tangible fixed assets**

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

|                        |                |
|------------------------|----------------|
| Freehold Property      | - not provided |
| Church furnishings etc | - 25% on cost  |
| Office equipment       | - 33% on cost  |

Freehold Property - no value is included in the financial statements in respect of consecrated land and buildings and beneficed property. All expenditure incurred on these assets by the Council is written off in the Statement of Financial Activities as incurred. Other property, in which the Council holds the beneficial interest, is included in the financial statements. No depreciation is charged on this property as it is included in the financial statements at its open market value, which is formally advised by professional advisers every three years and reviewed informally in between.

Church furnishings - moveable church furnishings held by the churchwardens on special trust for the Council and which require a faculty for disposal are accounted for as inalienable property. For inalienable property acquired prior to 2000 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not included in the accounts. Subsequent expenditure on such assets is being capitalised and depreciated on a straight-line basis.

Office equipment - other equipment is depreciated on a straight-line basis

General - Individual items costing less than £500 are written off as acquired.

**Taxation**

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

**Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds - these consist of funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Council in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds - these comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the PCC for particular purposes.

Restricted funds - these consist of funds where the donors have imposed or implied usage restrictions on the use of the funds which are legally binding. Where the funds have been invested in tangible fixed assets (capital funds), funds are reduced by an annual transfer of an amount equivalent to the depreciation charged.

Endowment fund - the Council is legally prevented from spending this fund which must be retained intact as part of its capital. The endowment has been invested to provide income for its objective - fabric maintenance.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES – continued**

**Hire purchase and leasing commitments**

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

**2. OTHER INCOME**

|                  | 31.12.23 | 31.12.22     |
|------------------|----------|--------------|
|                  | £        | £            |
| Insurance claims | <u>-</u> | <u>2,756</u> |

**3. INVESTMENT INCOME**

|                          | 31.12.23      | 31.12.22      |
|--------------------------|---------------|---------------|
|                          | £             | £             |
| Rents received           | 9,940         | 9,765         |
| Dividends                | 675           | 670           |
| Deposit account interest | <u>261</u>    | <u>109</u>    |
|                          | <u>10,876</u> | <u>10,544</u> |

**4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS**

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2023 nor for the year ended 31 December 2022.

**Trustees' expenses**

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2023 nor for the year ended 31 December 2022

**5. STAFF COSTS**

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

|  | 31.12.23 | 31.12.22 |
|--|----------|----------|
|  | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> |

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

**6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

|                                          | Unrestricted<br>fund<br>£ | Restricted<br>funds<br>£ | Endowment<br>fund<br>£ | Total funds<br>£ |
|------------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|------------------|
| <b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>        |                           |                          |                        |                  |
| Donations and legacies                   | 85,061                    | 10,453                   | -                      | 95,514           |
| <b>Charitable activities</b>             |                           |                          |                        |                  |
| Other income                             | 22,341                    | -                        | -                      | 22,341           |
| Other trading activities                 | -                         | 2,756                    | -                      | 2,756            |
| Investment income                        | <u>10,483</u>             | <u>61</u>                | <u>-</u>               | <u>10,544</u>    |
| <b>Total</b>                             | 117,885                   | 13,270                   | -                      | 131,155          |
| <b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>                    |                           |                          |                        |                  |
| Raising funds                            | -                         | -                        | -                      | -                |
| <b>Charitable activities</b>             |                           |                          |                        |                  |
| Other expenditure                        | <u>(120,629)</u>          | <u>(31,396)</u>          | <u>-</u>               | <u>(152,025)</u> |
| <b>Total</b>                             | (2,744)                   | (18,126)                 | -                      | (20,870)         |
| <b>Net gains/(losses) on investments</b> | -                         | (3,085)                  | (3,007)                | (6,092)          |

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

**6. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES – continued**

|                                    | Unrestricted<br>fund<br>£ | Restricted<br>funds<br>£ | Endowment<br>fund<br>£ | Total funds<br>£ |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|------------------|
| <b>NET INCOME</b>                  | (2,744)                   | (21,211)                 | (3,007)                | (26,962)         |
| <b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>     |                           |                          |                        |                  |
| <b>Total funds brought forward</b> | 264,380                   | 62,976                   | 25,544                 | 352,900          |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b> | <u>261,636</u>            | <u>41,765</u>            | <u>22,537</u>          | <u>325,938</u>   |

**7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

|                       | Freehold<br>property<br>£ | Church<br>furnishings etc<br>£ | Office<br>equipment<br>£ | Totals<br>£    |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|
| <b>COST</b>           |                           |                                |                          |                |
| At 1 January 2023     | 128,000                   | 8,331                          | 4,615                    | 140,946        |
| Additions             | -                         | -                              | -                        | -              |
| At 31 December 2023   | <u>128,000</u>            | <u>8,331</u>                   | <u>4,615</u>             | <u>140,946</u> |
| <b>DEPRECIATION</b>   |                           |                                |                          |                |
| At 1 January 2023     | -                         | 8,331                          | 4,615                    | 12,946         |
| Charge for year       | -                         | -                              | -                        | -              |
| At 31 December 2023   | <u>-</u>                  | <u>8,331</u>                   | <u>4,615</u>             | <u>12,946</u>  |
| <b>NET BOOK VALUE</b> |                           |                                |                          |                |
| At 31 December 2023   | <u>128,000</u>            | <u>-</u>                       | <u>-</u>                 | <u>128,000</u> |
| At 31 December 2022   | <u>128,000</u>            | <u>-</u>                       | <u>-</u>                 | <u>128,000</u> |

**8. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS**

|                       | Investments<br>£ |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| <b>MARKET VALUE</b>   |                  |
| At 1 January 2023     | 169,835          |
| Sale of investments   | -                |
| Revaluations          | <u>5,550</u>     |
| At 31 December 2023   | <u>175,385</u>   |
| <b>NET BOOK VALUE</b> |                  |
| At 31 December 2023   | <u>175,385</u>   |
| At 31 December 2022   | <u>169,835</u>   |

There were no investment assets outside the UK.

Investment property represents freehold residential property stated at its open market value as reported by the PCC's advisers as at 31st December 2006. The Finance Team do not consider there to have been a material fluctuation in the property value, since the last professional valuation.

The PCC has reviewed this as at 31st December 2023 and is of the view there has been no substantial change to that value.

Shares in the Common Investment Fund have been valued by reference to prices quoted by the fund managers.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

|               | 31.12.23     | 31.12.22     |
|---------------|--------------|--------------|
|               | £            | £            |
| Other debtors | <u>8,802</u> | <u>8,973</u> |

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

|                              | 31.12.23      | 31.12.22      |
|------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
|                              | £             | £             |
| Trade creditors              | 13,602        | 17,074        |
| Taxation and social security | -             | -             |
| Other creditors              | <u>6,860</u>  | <u>4,987</u>  |
|                              | <u>20,462</u> | <u>22,061</u> |

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

|                                   | At 1.1.23<br>£ | Net movement<br>in funds<br>£ | 31.12.23<br>£  |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|----------------|
| <b>Unrestricted funds</b>         |                |                               |                |
| General fund                      | 261,636        | (11,555)                      | 250,081        |
| <b>Restricted funds</b>           |                |                               |                |
| Organ restoration and maintenance | 32,055         | 22,715                        | 54,770         |
| CBF Fabric restricted             | 8,677          | 44,171                        | 52,848         |
| Choir                             | 322            | (80)                          | 242            |
| Women's fellowship                | -              | -                             | -              |
| Open the Book                     | -              | -                             | -              |
| Pastoral Care Team                | 686            | (113)                         | 573            |
| Hymn Books                        | <u>25</u>      | <u>-</u>                      | <u>25</u>      |
|                                   | 41,765         | 66,693                        | 108,458        |
| <b>Endowment funds</b>            |                |                               |                |
| Endowment fund                    | <u>22,537</u>  | <u>2,120</u>                  | <u>24,657</u>  |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>                | <u>325,938</u> | <u>57,258</u>                 | <u>383,196</u> |

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS – continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

|                                   | Incoming<br>resources<br>£ | Resources<br>expended<br>£ | Gains and<br>losses<br>£ | Movement in<br>funds<br>£ |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>Unrestricted funds</b>         |                            |                            |                          |                           |
| General fund                      | 113,984                    | (125,539)                  | -                        | (11,555)                  |
| <b>Restricted funds</b>           |                            |                            |                          |                           |
| Organ restoration and maintenance | 20,309                     | (1,024)                    | 3,430                    | 22,715                    |
| CBF Fabric restricted             | 48,776                     | (4,605)                    | -                        | 44,171                    |
| Choir                             | -                          | (80)                       | -                        | (80)                      |
| Women's fellowship                | -                          | -                          | -                        | -                         |
| Open the Book                     | -                          | -                          | -                        | -                         |
| Pastoral Care Team                | -                          | (113)                      | -                        | (113)                     |
|                                   | 69,085                     | (5,822)                    | 3,430                    | 66,693                    |
| <b>Endowment funds</b>            |                            |                            |                          |                           |
| Endowment fund                    | -                          | -                          | 2,120                    | 2,120                     |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>                | <u>183,069</u>             | <u>(131,361)</u>           | <u>5,550</u>             | <u>57,258</u>             |

Comparatives for movement in funds

|                                   | At 1.1.22<br>£ | Net movement<br>in funds<br>£ | At 31.12.22<br>£ |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
| <b>Unrestricted Funds</b>         |                |                               |                  |
| General fund                      | 264,380        | (2,744)                       | 261,636          |
| <b>Restricted Funds</b>           |                |                               |                  |
| Organ restoration and maintenance | 49,636         | (17,581)                      | 32,055           |
| CBF Fabric restricted             | 12,192         | (3,515)                       | 8,677            |
| Choir                             | 340            | (18)                          | 322              |
| Women's fellowship                | -              | -                             | -                |
| Open the Book                     | -              | -                             | -                |
| Pastoral Care Team                | 783            | (97)                          | 686              |
| Hymn Books                        | 25             | -                             | 25               |
|                                   | 62,976         | (21,211)                      | 41,765           |
| <b>Endowment funds</b>            |                |                               |                  |
| Endowment fund                    | 25,544         | (3,007)                       | 22,537           |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>                | <u>352,900</u> | <u>(26,962)</u>               | <u>325,938</u>   |

**PCC ST MARY'S**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

**11. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS – continued**

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

|                                   | Incoming<br>resources<br>£ | Resources<br>expended<br>£ | Gains and<br>losses<br>£ | Movement in<br>funds<br>£ |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>Unrestricted funds</b>         |                            |                            |                          |                           |
| General fund                      | 117,885                    | (120,629)                  | -                        | (2,744)                   |
| <b>Restricted funds</b>           |                            |                            |                          |                           |
| Organ restoration and maintenance | 2,969                      | (17,465)                   | (3,085)                  | (17,581)                  |
| CBF Fabric restricted             | 10,301                     | (13,816)                   | -                        | (3,515)                   |
| Choir                             | -                          | (18)                       | -                        | (18)                      |
| Women's fellowship                | -                          | -                          | -                        | -                         |
| Open the Book                     | -                          | -                          | -                        | -                         |
| Pastoral Care Team                | -                          | (97)                       | -                        | (97)                      |
|                                   | 13,270                     | (31,396)                   | (3,085)                  | (21,211)                  |
| <b>Endowment funds</b>            |                            |                            |                          |                           |
| Endowment fund                    | -                          | -                          | (3,007)                  | (3,007)                   |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>                | <u>131,155</u>             | <u>(152,025)</u>           | <u>(6,092)</u>           | <u>(26,962)</u>           |

**12. CONNECTED CHARITY TRANSACTIONS**

The PCC has a very close relationship with The St Marys Millennium Centre Liverpool Limited, which is a charity, registered number 1071799.

During the year, the PCC and its organisations rented room space in The St Marys Millennium Centre Liverpool Limited at a cost of £594 (2022 : £641) under short term agreements. At the year end, the PCC owed the Centre £1,683 (2022: £789)

The PCC received a ground rent of £148 from the Centre (2022: £148).

PCC ST MARY'S

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

|                                                         | 31.12.23<br>£  | 31.12.22<br>£   |
|---------------------------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| <b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>                            |                |                 |
| <b>Donations and legacies</b>                           |                |                 |
| Gifts                                                   | 141,648        | 81,493          |
| Gift aid                                                | 13,595         | 14,021          |
| St James Contribution                                   | -              | -               |
|                                                         | <u>155,243</u> | <u>95,514</u>   |
| <b>Other income</b>                                     |                |                 |
| Insurance claims                                        | -              | 2,756           |
| <b>Investment income</b>                                |                |                 |
| Rents received                                          | 9,940          | 9,765           |
| Dividends                                               | 675            | 670             |
| Deposit account interest                                | 261            | 109             |
|                                                         | <u>10,876</u>  | <u>10,544</u>   |
| <b>Charitable activities</b>                            |                |                 |
| Fees                                                    | 16,950         | 22,341          |
|                                                         | <u>16,950</u>  | <u>22,341</u>   |
| <b>Total incoming resources</b>                         | <u>183,069</u> | <u>131,155</u>  |
| <b>EXPENDITURE</b>                                      |                |                 |
| <b>Raising donations and legacies</b>                   |                |                 |
| Giving envelopes                                        | -              | -               |
| Plant and machinery                                     | -              | -               |
| Fixtures and fittings                                   | -              | -               |
|                                                         | <u>-</u>       | <u>-</u>        |
| <b>Other trading activities</b>                         |                |                 |
| Hire of plant and machinery                             | -              | -               |
| <b>Charitable activities</b>                            |                |                 |
| Wages                                                   | 1,268          | 1,268           |
| Rent, rates and water                                   | 3,643          | 3,583           |
| Insurance                                               | 5,770          | 5,793           |
| Light and heat                                          | 6,755          | 3,022           |
| Telephone                                               | 800            | 651             |
| Postage and stationery                                  | 2,207          | 1,045           |
| Sundries                                                | 7,685          | 33,477          |
| Wedding and funeral expenses                            | 10,156         | 13,453          |
| Diocesan share                                          | 92,003         | 89,329          |
|                                                         | <u>130,287</u> | <u>151,621</u>  |
| <b>Support costs</b>                                    |                |                 |
| <b>Finance</b>                                          |                |                 |
| Bank charges                                            | 424            | 404             |
| Information technology                                  | -              | -               |
| Repairs and renewals                                    | 650            | -               |
|                                                         | <u>1,074</u>   | <u>404</u>      |
| <b>Total resources expended</b>                         | <u>131,361</u> | <u>152,025</u>  |
| <b>Net (expenditure)/income before gains and losses</b> | <u>51,708</u>  | <u>(20,870)</u> |

**PCC ST MARY'S**  
**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

|                                                    | 31.12.23<br>£        | 31.12.22<br>£          |
|----------------------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Realised recognised gains and losses</b>        |                      |                        |
| Realised gains/(losses) on fixed asset investments | 5,550                | (6,092)                |
|                                                    | <hr/>                | <hr/>                  |
| <b>Net income</b>                                  | <u><u>57,258</u></u> | <u><u>(26,962)</u></u> |