



**Annual Report and Accounts for the
Parochial Church Council of the
Ecclesiastical Parish of Dartmouth
(Charity No. 1129018)**

For the Year Ended 31 December 2024

May 2025

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INTRODUCTION

Rev Dr Andrew Langley, Incumbent

The church would be lost without the numerous people involved in making things happen and so, again, I would like to begin this Annual Report by thanking everyone for all that they have done in the Parish and Benefice. The wardens, director of music, choir, organists, treasurers, secretary, safeguarding reps, PCC members, sacristan, vergers, barista, flower arrangers, cleaners, churchyard recorders, bell ringers, fundraisers, and charitable givers. This is what it is to be the body of Christ, and nothing gives him more pleasure than seeing us work together in his name.

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Dartmouth (the PCC) has the responsibility of working with the vicar in promoting within the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social, and ecumenical. The Ecclesiastical Parish of Dartmouth includes the three church districts of St Clement's, St Saviour's, and St Petrox. A reminder of this management and operations tree will be put on the church notice boards.

Part of the commitment required to be a member of the PCC, and therefore Trustee, is to be committed to our safeguarding objectives, to be welcoming to all and to enable as many people as possible to worship in church and for them to feel part of our parish community across Dartmouth. Charity trustees also hold specific responsibilities relating to raising funds and spending it wisely in support of our mission here in Dartmouth and elsewhere.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Vicar's Report

Rev Dr Andrew Langley, Incumbent

Since the last APCM we have seen many positive changes across the parish. The addition of new PCC members, complementing our long-standing and committed members, has strengthened the PCC as a whole and enabled us to share the work in delivering our mission. Reflecting on the journey we have travelled together can be a source of great encouragement and this year one of those sources has been the enthusiastic support of our Parish Wardens Fiona and Charlie Rendell. I have valued not only their help with parish matters, but their personal support as well. I am also grateful for the work that Ernie Wingeatt, has given in his role as safe-guarding rep. As well as this, I am also extremely grateful for the help and support that David, Tim, Julia and Sue have given me during the past year.

Plans are still very much at the forefront of our thinking to build a more resilient team. Although I have been recovering from an injury recently, most services are typically led by me, and I am supported by Lay Ministry. I am also assisted by Rev Diana Crook (PtO) and our Anna Chaplaincy team. This team can make pastoral visits and take home-communion to the elderly and house-bound. I am grateful for the flexibility and commitment provided to enable us to hold all our services across the parish. I am also very pleased that Heidi Lewis, the Benefice Families, Children and Youth Leader has made significant progress, while building a team, so that our mission priorities can be advanced. As we look ahead, plans are still taking shape to appoint an Associate Vicar.

I am grateful for the support from Christopher and the choir who enrich our worship; our baristas Alis and Karen, on the front-line of mission in St Clement; as well as our staff team which manages the operations and administration across the Parish and Benefice. This includes part-time office administration from Rosie Beard, part-time operations, finance, and planning from Andy Course and part-time property and project management from Tim Willson. I am especially grateful to Tim, Andy and Rosie for their hard work to date in coordinating so many aspects of our Parish activities, in particular accounts, admin, building works and starting the process of 'greening' our churches. This is part of an ongoing process that will ensure the three churches in our Parish take maximum advantage of the resources we have available whilst helping to minimise the administrative burden on each church. As last year, your complete cooperation is appreciated by all concerned. This very capable team is supplemented by numerous volunteers who help to open and close churches, maintain, and clean the buildings, and act as treasurers for our churches.

We now have some strong foundations in place on which to build our mission focus. Even so, the future wellbeing and development of our Parish requires sensible forward and succession planning. To this end, the leadership team we will be taking a close look at aspects of parish life today and projecting forward over the next three to five years or more. Areas to be considered include: levels of services; clergy and lay support; administration; church music; how we promote ourselves; fund raising including planned giving; accounts processes and looking at how future donations and payments will be made, as well as expanding our youth ministry – it is quite a list! It is the breadth of worship that we can offer across the four churches that complements our opportunities to be the body of Christ so enabling God, through the power of his Spirit, to transform lives across our community.

Parish Safeguarding Report

Ernie Wingeatt, Parish Warden

The Church of England has not acquitted itself well on safeguarding in the past year. There was a revision of policy by Synod in February this year. While safeguarding procedures for the CofE remain 'in-house' for the moment, the ongoing review is likely to pave the way for an independent body to deal with all safeguarding matters.

As always, there are ongoing safeguarding concerns for the Parish. It would be misguided to believe that our Parish is free from such issues. These concerns are carefully and regularly monitored. Action is always taken when required, and this year has been wide-ranging. This includes diocesan-level meetings where, for example, decisions are made on what is needed when a known offender becomes associated with a parish. And there have been regular monitoring processes and the usual straightforward checking with the Diocesan Safeguarding team on issues that arise.

A full report on the safeguarding strengths and weaknesses of the Parish was given to the PCC last October. The report drew on the information held on the Safeguarding Dashboard, an online platform which parishes use to ease management of the safeguarding requirements. While we have made good progress towards meeting all requirements, some areas need more work, especially as the parish develops an increasing focus on mission and work with young people. An example is Heidi's (excellent!) work with us since September last year, particularly the eight impressive Lent workshops for local schools, which demands a growing watchfulness.

Many of you will know this is my last year as Safeguarding Rep, and a new appointment to the role is imminent. It has been a challenging experience, tantamount to the work I have previously undertaken as a school leader and governor over several decades. It is never easy to deal with disturbing failures of human nature, but prayer helps establish the essential trust between prime parish movers. It remains troubling, however, that some members of the parish have yet fully to grasp what safeguarding entails.

When the handover is made, it will be, in everyone's best interest, a full and frank one; no detail will be missed. Finally, it has been put to me on occasions that as Christians, we should forgive. I am sure that as Christians we do ... but no amount of Christian forgiveness can remove the need for openness, constant vigilance and protective actions when the vulnerable are threatened.

Parish Churchwardens' Report on the Proceedings of the PCC

Fiona Rendell & Charles Rendell, Parish Wardens

We are delighted that the appointment of Heidi Lewis as Youth and Families lead has had the seen the desired results in encouraging new people to engage with the church, especially the families and young people of Dartmouth and beyond, in the schools of the wider South Hams area. We continue to focus on greening our churches to reduce our carbon footprint and energy expenditure and have made progress this year on that project. We are blessed to have a vibrant community and are thankful to all our volunteers for all their contributions large and small throughout the year: wardens, treasurers, side persons, readers, intercessors, cleaners, flower arrangers, servers, bell ringers, administrators, finance advisor, property advisor, caterers, barista, prayer leaders, organists, choristers and director of music.

Deputy Churchwardens' Reports of the Fabric, Goods and Ornaments of the Churches

St Clement

Julia Springett & Tim Wilson, Churchwardens – St Clement

Throughout 2024, St Clements has continued to encourage outreach activities, particularly in relation to toddlers and youth activities. In addition, Clements Cafe remains a focal point for daily interaction and its use is continually reviewed to promote the facility.

The churchyard maintenance is in the second year of managed grass cutting and tree trimming whilst remaining an Eco-churchyard encouraging wildlife and nature. There have been constant requests from family members searching graves in the churchyard of their relatives. This is an ongoing action, and in the main families are satisfied with the results.

During the summer of 2024, extensive repairs to the South Transept wall and roof copings were completed to address water ingress and stone decay. Works were largely cantered around removing extensive amounts of cement-based material and replacing with lime-based material. This included internal rendering and external pointing. The coping stones were lifted, lead replaced, and stones

repaired and re-bedded. The arched bay containing the effigy was also restored to a lime finish.

A project to restore all the external doors has been launched. These works will include repairs to masonry surrounds, some wood repairs and redecorating, and draft exclusion measures. Aside from the fabric repairs, the goal is to reduce heat loss and cold ingress which will benefit the building in terms of heating to be more efficient.

Pre-planning works with the DAC and Historic England continue in relation to looking at new heating options as the gas boiler is at the end of its expected life and requires replacing. Pre-planning also continues in relation to the Church Hall with goals of some restoration of the hall as the roof needs replacing, asbestos removal, and efforts to make the Hall into a more usable space for existing and future programs to operate from it. There are also hopes of a large solar photovoltaic (pv) installation on the roof which will contribute to Net-Zero goals and help offset energy costs for the Hall and Church with a likely move to electric based heating systems.

St Saviour

Charles Rendell & David Gent, Churchwardens – St Saviour

St Saviour relies on the significant voluntary contributions made by Margaret Probyn, Lauriel Pearson and David Gent, my fellow Deputy Warden. Without this valuable work, St Saviour's would not function. We are also grateful to my predecessor, Howard O'Keeffe, for his continued oversight of the completion of the Quinquennial Inspection works for the church. This included repointing of the East end external stone walls.

A larger hopper has been put on the North Chapel wall to stop the water ingress onto the internal wall. We hope this will resolve this issue. Once we are sure, work can start on cleaning up the interior wall. While working on site (including at St Clement), Barley Manor were able to promptly deal with three separate roof leaks. This was great timing! The external vestry door, which had rotted at the bottom, was also repaired by Barley Manor. Security cameras were installed, covering most of the church.

Dartmouth Town Council have done a good job maintaining the churchyard including weekly litter picking and regular mowing/strimming. In addition, they clean out the ground gutters at the base of the church walls annually. The Council contractors carried out repairs to the collapsed wall leaning against the church at the west end and repaired the steps into the churchyard at the southeast corner.

Following unsatisfactory service from our long-standing boiler/plumbing service provider, we have changed service contract to a new firm, which has been a great improvement. Tim Willson oversaw the replacement of the boiler fan and rebalanced the system to regulate the temperature more evenly across the church. The gutters were cleaned out as usual and the lightning conductors checked.

St Saviour has, overall, had a good year. We have continued to host a number of concerts, the most notable being a week-long residency by the Laycock Singers. Unfortunately, we have also had a few less-welcome visitors who were responsible for some minor vandalism and some petty thefts.

St Petrox

Sue Black, Churchwarden – St Petrox

We again had lots of visitors during the summer, with many from all around the world. Fortunately, most people walk out here, so the closed road doesn't seem to have had much impact. Summer

Evensong services were well attended, and we welcomed several visitors most weeks. Fortnightly services continued during the winter, with good numbers, again boosted by visitors.

New uplifts for the choir stalls were installed and dedicated in the autumn. They have been well received and look as though they have always been there. Some lead work has been done on the gully on the southwest corner of the church, which hopefully has stopped water ingress affecting the wall of the choir vestry. Work on the turrets of the tower is ongoing, involving repointing and securing the large capping stones.

The pipe organ project is on indefinite hold due to the damning report on the damp in the church, produced by Tim Willson. Different types of heating have been tried out during the year. Portable infrared heaters were put in to see how well they worked, but it was decided that they would be unsightly and inefficient if installed high up. Two have been used during the winter, to provide instant heat for points such as the organ. Some under-pew heaters were also tried, but due to a need for an extra phase of wiring, were not practical. Heated seat pads are now in the pipeline, with a faculty for the wiring being sought.

We still have an issue with who has responsibility for a wall shared with English Heritage, who want to have it repointed. We are still in need of a regular cleaner, but Harry and Philippa's cleaners are happy to do several hours every two or three months when convenient.

Many thanks to the team who keep the church open during the winter, especially for those who drive out there and for whom the road closure means a lot longer drive. Thanks also to the castle staff who do it for us all through the summer and at weekends. Thanks also to all others who help in any way.

Parish Music

Christopher Helyer, Director of Music

The abiding feature of our parish music is the continuing loyalty and commitment of our choir members. Our singers remain incredibly reliable and willing to adapt to song requirements. Although we are no longer required to sing at morning services on the first and third Sundays of the month, there has been an increase in requests for the choir to sing at funerals, more than offsetting the reduction in Sunday duties.

An interesting development, which is a potential 'way forward' for many of the smaller church choirs, is our coming together with choir singers on both sides of the river to create larger forces for particular services, e.g., a funeral sung jointly by Dartmouth and Stokenham choirs, at Stokenham; and services sung by Babbacombe and Dartmouth both here and in Torquay. It is uplifting for all concerned and in circumstances where one choir does not have all four voice parts it can make a huge difference for sopranos to have the support of altos, tenors and basses. Furthermore, the contributions of our 'Regular Irregulars', as I term our occasional singers, remains absolutely invaluable.

A welcome initiative has been the development of a small group of cantors who, in the absence of the clergy or with an officiant who would prefer not to sing, have become proficient at leading sung Evensong services.

I am delighted to report that we now have three regular tenors, having been joined by Robert Derham, an experienced church singer, who is resident on his yacht at Dart Marina. Two other welcome recruits are our now regular Eve organists Rob Atkin (St Marychurch) and Mike Webb (Babbacombe). We were

also blessed to have with us once more for Christmas, Tom Lowe, (whose mother lives in Stoke Fleming) a past Oxbridge organ scholar. Meanwhile, we continue to be most fortunate to have Jan Dietz and Karen White as continuing members of our team.

Instrumental recitals continue to take place from time to time, including St Cecilia's-tide (a home-grown performance given by choir, choir instrumentalists and our organists), the Dart Music Festival and the Regatta Recitals.

Finally, we need to be mindful of the likelihood of the need to spend a significant sum on a major overhaul of the St Saviour organ of which, the current generation, are the ultimate custodians. This is a medium-term project.

Other Aspects of the Work of the Parish and Related Activities

Southford Schoolrooms (SFSR)

Fiona Rendell, SFSR Committee

We are pleased that our commercial tenant at Southford School Rooms continues to flourish and the year has been uneventful for the building.

Garden of Remembrance

Harry Franks, GoR Committee

There were 15 interments in 2024 making a total of 271 since the Garden was consecrated in 1998. With increasing numbers, care needs to be taken in keeping to a planned rotation of the lawns as well as digging the holes deep enough to avoid mingling separate lots of ashes. Each interment costs £192, of which £50 is paid to the diocese. The Parish receives £142, therefore the income in 2024 was £2,130. Since 2022 all costs have been covered by donations and voluntary workers.

Highlights – The garden continues to be very active with regular interments as well as frequent visits by families of those interred or considering it for themselves. Over the Christmas and New Year period over 30 floral tributes and wreaths are laid.

The garden management team has continued actively, and the current state of the garden is considered as good or better than ever. Three significant capital works were executed. First the two dead sycamores between the Garden and the river were felled at the reasonable cost of £624, the second bid coming in at over £1,000. Secondly the water supply was found to be leaking underground, and this was repaired for £504. The third important work was the erection of an end fence from the existing fence to the top hedge. This was done by a team from the old Dartmothians, and we only had to pay for the materials – about £200. We think this has added a sense of seclusion and tranquillity for people to think of their loved ones and family.

Planting and maintenance continued as usual with garden days combined with committee meetings held three times a year to progress work. In addition, all the members of the committee as well as key volunteers visit individually to attend to various activities such as lawn mowing, new planting etc. However, very little supplementary watering was necessary in 2024. The Old Dartmothians repainted the three wooden seats as well as the entrance gate – also repairing the latch.

Plans for 2025 – Various ideas have been put forward. Perhaps we should enter the garden into a national garden competition though maybe we are too late for 2025 and should consider this for 2026.

Continued development and improvement of the species in the garden will be done. Some different species of decorative trees will be considered – lilac for example. Last year we reported on the extraordinary breakage of one of the water baths; and the other one has a chip on the rim. A new water bath may be purchased.

Funds – Total expenditure in 2024 was just over £2,000 of which over £1,100 was the cutting of the trees and the repair of the water supply, £200 for the new fence, £300 for wages and £160 for plants. Income was £1,500, including £700 from St Petrox Land Trust and there is a further £300 from misallocated cheques and yet-to-be claimed gift aid to be added. £110 has been received since the New Year. When these credits are received the bank balance will be around £1,100, which is similar to the start of the 2024. The budget for the year is £750.

Thanks – We owe a very considerable debt to the volunteers and donors who enable the Garden to be maintained without any cost to the Parish.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Parish Financial Report for 2024

Andy Course, Parish Treasurer

The PCC reviewed the financial matters of the parish at the Parish Finance Committee throughout 2024. The focus was primarily on the steady improvement of parish-wide financial information and reporting.

Processes are now firmly in place for the office team to manage most financial transactions in the parish, with the support of the St Petrox DCC Treasurer who continues to focus on St Petrox financial matters and the Garden of Remembrance. The financial management systems continue to be refined across the Parish and significant developments in 2024 were:

- (a) Re-establishing quarterly Parish Finance Committee to review parish finance matters.
- (b) Transferring all the Parish Hall transactions to the Parish general account.
- (c) Introducing on-line invoice/receipt data storage (rather than paper copies).
- (d) Transferring the management of Core Staff payroll from the ES to the Parish.
- (e) Eliminating backlog of previous-year expenditure (including Common Fund payment).

OPERATING PERFORMANCE

Receipts and Payments have been analysed and are detailed in on pages 4 and 5.

The only exceptional item to report was the award of a £10,000 grant from the Diocese Mission and Growth Fund. As planned, none of this grant was drawn down in 2024, and so the adjusted operating performance is:

Receipts	£157,570	Payments	£148,102
Diocese M&G Grant – Youth Ministry	£10,000	n/a	
Adjusted Income:	£147,570	Adjusted Expenditure	£148,102

This gives a net **2024 operating deficit of -£532** (the operating deficit in 2023 was -£7,346).

This overall performance indicates a 'break-even' position. However, several 2024 parish operating cost items were paid for directly from the Ecclesiastical Share (as in previous years), along with some significant capital support. This additional £27,785 'operating expenditure' includes:

- £8,747 Insurance Policy St Saviour
- £8,003 Gas Supply St Saviour & St Clement
- £4,374 Electrical/Plumbing All churches
- £2,625 Grass Cutting St Clement
- £2,046 Office Printer Lease Parish
- £1,990 Car Parking Parish

This gives a more accurate net operating **deficit of -£28,317** (as the reality of previous years)

It is also worth noting that the Parish drew down CBF/CCLA funds (£7,753) to fund some major church repairs, supported too by awards from the Ecclesiastical Share (£7,982).

Some notable facts relating to 2024 performance are as follows.

Income:

- Voluntary Giving accounts for 60% of all income at £69.9k (was 57% in 2023).
- Voluntary Giving is down overall by 4% on 2023.
- Regular Giving is down by 15%,
- Contactless Giving is up by 97% (due to the introduction of SumUp).
- Over 50% of Regular Giving is from 8 people (a fifth of all donors); 19% from one donor.

The general position is that income continues to fall as it has each year since 2020 (COVID).

Expenditure:

- £56,147 (38% of expenditure) was paid to the Diocese (Common Fund & Fees).
- £27,785 of operating costs were covered directly by the ES and not included in these accounts (see separate paper for changes to be made during 2025).
- Payroll was paid for directly from the ES and not included in these accounts.

ASSETS

The Parish assets are listed on page 6. The overall financial position remains strong with **£111,305 cash balances** (in current bank accounts and deposit accounts) – these funds also include the £10,000 Mission & Growth Grant – and **£336,876 in investments** (long term share deposits and share holdings).

During 2024 there was some movement from cash to investments including £37,500 from the DGT Lloyds account to DGT investments portfolio.

The overall Assets at 2024 year-end was **£448,181** (£425,015 in 2023).

The Parish continues to benefit from previous generous bequests, special donations, and investment income from the Duncan Gerrard Trust, which is reflected in an enhanced asset base. The Parish is also very grateful to the trustees of the Ecclesiastical Share for loans and donations that continue to support the parish's mission.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Dartmouth – Charity no. 1129018

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

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

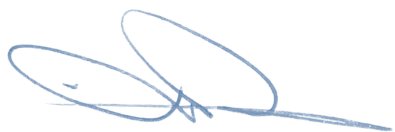
I report in respect of my examination of the Church's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

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

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



Ian Barrett FCA FCIE
Barretts Chartered Accountants and
Chartered Taxation Advisors
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Dated: 28th May 2025

INDEPENDENTLY EXAMINED ACCOUNTS

The following pages are a presentation of the Independently Examined accounts:

- Income & Expenditure (Receipts) (page 13)
- Income & Expenditure (Payments) (page 14)
- Assets & Liabilities (page 15)

Income & Expenditure (Receipts)

Receipts and Payments Account for the Year Ended 31st December 2024

RECEIPTS:

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2024	2023
Voluntary Giving:				
Gift Aid Giving & Collections	34,971		34,971	41,298
Other giving (non-gift aid)	7,900		7,900	6,028
Contactless Donations/Sales	5,850		5,850	2,972
Wall safes	5,742		5,742	6,520
Appeals income	760		760	1,895
Gift aid recovered	11,533		11,533	11,137
Legacies	2,000		2,000	0
Activities for Generating Funds:				
Summer fete	795		795	591
Christmas fair	0		0	776
Book & garden of remembrance	570		570	480
Special events & outreach	649		649	1,832
Investments & Property income:				
Hall lettings (inc. SFSR)	14,122		14,122	16,722
Church lettings	3,993		3,993	4,345
Dividends	1,584		1,584	1,352
Bank and investment interest	1,592		1,592	1,751
Church Activities:				
Funerals, burials, & weddings	14,710		14,710	13,328
Refunds	3,834		3,834	8,032
Clements Coffee	4,124		4,124	3,629
Other incoming resources:				
Fees income (net)	10,430		10,430	12,092
Ecclesiastical Share	7,982		7,982	5,919
Transfers from deposit accounts	7,753		7,753	15,454
St George's Dittisham	5,078		5,078	3,965
Grants and Loans	11,600		11,600	500
Total Receipts	157,570	0	157,570	160,617

Income & Expenditure (Payments)

Receipts and Payments Account for the Year Ended 31st December 2024

PAYMENTS:

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2024	2023
Costs of Generating Funds:				
GoR and churchyard expenses	2,480		2,480	3,731
Bookstall purchases	1,464		1,464	1,648
Clements Coffee	1,458		1,458	1,646
Book of remembrance	445		445	1,170
Special events costs	275		275	4,018
Church Activities:				
Worldwide and missionary giving	1,169		1,169	1,268
Diocesan Common Fund	50,616		50,616	54,367
Services, organists, and choir fees	10,696		10,696	13,822
Vicar's and curate's expenses	1,407		1,407	1,514
Staff and stewardship expenses	3,018		3,018	1,040
Church Expenses:				
Service books, candles & sacristy	3,177		3,177	2,012
Youth Ministry	2,067		2,067	181
Flowers	65		65	17
Music, organ and piano	1,341		1,341	2,867
Insurance (& fire prevention)	10,898		10,898	10,785
Governance	824		824	729
Printing, postage, and stationery	1,551		1,551	3,293
Telephone , internet, and website	3,452		3,452	3,598
Utilities	15,383		15,383	9,892
Bank charges	195		195	278
Lettings costs	0		0	2,897
Car parking costs	2,010		2,010	3,980
Major & Capital Expenditure:				
Repairs, maintenance & cleaning	16,436		16,436	46,605
Fees (inc. legal/architect costs)	2,274		2,274	6,196
Capital Expenditure	0		0	0
Other expenditure:				
Special Service collections & Fees	10,780		10,780	17,353
Repayments to Ecclesiastical Share	1,495		1,495	2,490
St George's Dittisham	79		79	676
Funds invested in CBF (deposits)	3,049		3,049	-
Loan Repayments	0		0	500
Total Payments	148,102	0	148,102	198,573
Net Surplus/Deficit for the Year	9,469	0	9,469	-37,956
Bank current accounts brought forward	33,597	0	33,597	75,178
Parish of Dartmouth Charities	0	0	0	-3,625
Bank current accounts carried forward	43,066	0	43,066	33,597

Assets & Liabilities

Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31st December 2024

	2024	2023	
Bank Accounts:			
Dartmouth PCC - Lloyds	5,596	5,168	
Dartmouth PCC Charge Card - Lloyds	(566)	(336)	
St Clement - Lloyds	1,862	2,091	
St Saviour - Lloyds	4,579	5,237	
St Petrox - HSBC	4,227	3,485	
Southford Schoolrooms - NatWest	15,847	15,468	
St Petrox - Garden of Remembrance - Lloyds	722	1,258	
Parish Payroll (ex-Parish Hall) - Lloyds	10,799	1,227	(1)
	43,066	33,597	
St Saviour - Cambridge & Counties	22,994	22,046	
St Clement - CBF CCLA Deposit fund	17,034	16,464	
St Petrox - CBF CCLA Deposit fund	26,731	29,888	
St Petrox - Duncan Gerrard Trust - Lloyds	1,481	37,720	(2)
	68,239	106,118	
Investments:			
St Clement - CBF Investment Trust	5,533	5,409	
St Clement - CBF Investment	20,997	20,527	
St Saviour - Edentree Amity	16,130	16,822	
St Saviour - CBF Investment	21,229	20,754	
St Petrox - DGT Investment Portfolio	236,492	188,150	(2)
	300,380	251,662	
Investments-Endowments:			
St Clement - JP Morgan UK Small Cap (2,516@297.0p)	7,473	7,755	(3)
St Clement - JP Morgan Global Growth (941@581.0p)	5,467	4,733	
St Clement - Law Debenture Corporation (2,150@893.0p)	19,200	17,222	
St Clement - Alliance Witan PLC (111@1,244p)	1,381	1,188	(4)
St Clement - Edinburgh Investment Trust (400@744.0p)	2,976	2,740	
	36,496	33,637	
Total:	448,181	425,015	

Notes:

- (1) Includes the £10,000 Diocese M&G Grant for Youth Ministry
- (2) £37,500 transferred from DGT Lloyds account to DGT Investment
- (3) StC JPM Mid Cap transferred to JPM UK Small Cap (21 Feb 24)
- (4) StC Witan Investment Trust transferred to Alliance Witan (1 Oct 24)

Approval

Independent Examiner's Accounts approved and signed on behalf of the Trustees:

Signed by Rev Dr Andrew Langley (Chair):



Dated: May 2025

Signed by Fiona Rendell (Parish Warden):



Dated: May 2025

RESERVES POLICY

The PCC seeks to ensure that receipts outnumber payments in any given year. This has not been easy, nor achieved of late. As highlighted above, we are blessed to be able to call upon the funds available within the Ecclesiastical Share of the Dartmouth Trust which has the following charitable objectives: the maintenance and repair of the church of St Saviour, Dartmouth; and in so far as the income cannot be applied for the above, the Trustees may apply it in furthering the religious and other charitable work of the Church of England in the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Clement (Townstal) with St Saviour and St Petrox, Dartmouth.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. The Dartmouth PCC's membership consists of the incumbent (our vicar), two Parish Wardens, readers (or soon-to-be called Licensed Lay Ministers), retired clergy with Permission to Officiate (Co-Opted), and members elected by those members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. All those who attend our services as members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and all communicants can 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.

Other than the Parish Finance Committee detailed above, the Property Committee was re-established in 2024. There have been no significant transactions with PCC members nor closely related persons.

Electoral Roll Officers Report

Rosie Beard, Electoral Roll Officer, reported there are currently 127 names on the Electoral Roll which has been reviewed in preparation for the APCM. This is up from the 115 reported last year, and 110 the year before. New members are welcome to apply at any time. The six-year revision of the Electoral Roll will be compiled in 2025.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

The Ecclesiastical Parish of Dartmouth's registered address is St Saviour Church, Anzac Street,

Dartmouth, TQ6 9DL and correspondence should be addressed to the Benefice Office. St Clement, St Saviour, and St Petrox District Church Councils (DCC) are within the Parish of Dartmouth, which is part of the Diocese of Exeter within the Church of England. The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2006) and a charity registered with the Charity Commission (No. 1129018). The establishment of the three District Church Councils are detailed in the three separate (St Clement, St Saviour, and St Petrox) Draft District Church Council Scheme Draft 1 dated 5th April 1989 (signed on 11th April 1989).

PCC Membership

PCC members who have served at any time from 1 January 2023 until the date this report was approved are listed below. Clergy, Lay Readers and Parish Churchwardens, Deputy Churchwardens (from each DCC) and the elected Deanery Synod Representative are ex-officio members of the PCC. The remaining PCC Members are elected.

PCC Ex-Officio Members:

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| • Rev Dr Andrew Langley (Chair) | (Incumbent) |
| • Fiona Rendell | (Parish Churchwarden) |
| • Charlie Rendell | (Parish Churchwarden from May 2024) |
| • Julia Springett | (Deputy Churchwarden – St Clement) |
| • Tim Willson | (Deputy Churchwarden – St Clement) |
| • David Gent (from May 2024) | (Deputy Churchwarden – St Saviour) |
| • Susan Black | (Deputy Churchwarden – St Petrox) |
| • Colin Cooper | (Parish Churchwarden Emeritus) |

PCC Elected Members:

- Ernie Wingeatt
- Sheila Boswell
- Harry Franks
- David Gent
- Laurie Pearson (from May 2024)

2024 Annual Report – Approval

Annual Report and Accounts for the Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Dartmouth was approved by the Ecclesiastical Parish of Dartmouth PCC and signed on their behalf by the Rev Dr Andrew Langley (Chair of the PCC).

Signed by Rev Dr Andrew Langley (Chair):



Dated: May 2025

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