

## CHRIST CHURCH BARNET ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

### Aim and purpose

Christ Church Barnet Parochial Church Council (PCC) has responsibility for cooperating with the incumbent in *'promoting the ecclesiastical parish and the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical'*. Andy Rimmer began his ministry here at Christ Church in September 2017 and has continued to lead the church in a period of continued change and growth. James Herring (Associate Minister) was in post from September 2018 until July 2024 when he moved to lead a church plant in Guildford; Blessing Chishanu joined us in September 2024 as Associate Minister. Our staff Ministry team also includes Julie Lewis (Children & Families' Worker) and Pipe Figueroa (Youth Worker). In addition to this we have had the joy of a placement student from Oak Hill College.

### Objectives and activities

The PCC is committed to encouraging as many people as possible to become part of the worshipping community at Christ Church. The council continues to develop the strategy behind the vision statement 'The Transformation of Barnet and Beyond with the Love of Jesus One Life at a Time'.

When planning our activities for the year, the incumbent and the PCC consider the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.

We try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

- **Worship and prayer**
- **Learning and understanding God's Word, discipling people in the ways and teachings of Jesus and walking with increasing confidence in The Holy Spirit.**
- **Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish and members outside the parish**
- **Missionary and outreach work through works of compassion and the sharing of the Gospel**

To promote these activities, it is important that we maintain and improve the facilities of the church and of the linked Pennefather Hall, which is owned by a separate charitable trust. The Open Door Centre (next door to the church), owned by a further charitable trust, shares the same mission statement and provides further opportunities to reach the wider community.

### Areas of Ministry (Achievements and performance)

#### *Worship and Evangelism*

Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer, scripture and music and seek to involve those that live in the parish, hence a range of worship services are offered that are both beneficial and spiritually fulfilling to the congregation and the wider community. We use a mixture of recorded music and a small band at the 9am service, and an informal band at the 10.45am service led by various worship leaders. Worship at the Well and On Fire were also led by one of our worship leaders.

Our normal Sunday schedule is designed to accommodate for the differing needs of the parish community (which reflect the diverse range of church family), by offering a traditional 9am Morning Worship service (with Communion twice a month), a contemporary 10.45am service (with Communion once a month and which includes full children's and youth work). In addition, we held an informal worship space for an hour on Sunday evenings Worship At The Well until July 2024, this was then replaced by a monthly 'On Fire' prayer and worship from September. The main opportunity for most of the church to come together is during refreshments in between the 9am and 10.45am services. In terms of attendance: 60-70 adults normally attend at 9am;

80-120 adults and 50 children/youth are present at 10.45am; 15-25 attend the evening Worship At the Well service and On Fire. Our 9am and 10.45am services are both livestreamed and receive approximately 90-100 online views on a weekly basis.

There are 312 people on the Church Electoral roll, 224 of whom are not resident in the parish.

We have held special services including Mothering Sunday, Father's Day, Harvest and Remembrance Sunday. Christmas services took the shape of a Christingle Service and a Carol service, All Age Nativity, Christmas Eve Midnight Service and an All-Age Celebration on Christmas Day. We also shared Christmas with our local community by giving out 'Joy' Christmas tree decorations and sharing the Gospel in the High Street; sadly 'Carols in the Park' was cancelled due to bad weather.

We have held several celebration and thanksgiving services for key milestones including 9 baptisms, 1 wedding, 1 thanksgiving and 3 funerals. An annual service of remembrance and thanksgiving was held in church for those members of the church and community who had died in the past year and in previous years.

#### *Pastoral Care, Prayer and Discipleship*

- Two **Alpha Courses** were run in 2024;
- There are **16 Connect Groups**, which meet regularly for prayer, Bible study and fellowship. These are mainly 'in person', with one continuing to meet online. Groups study topics related to the sermon series and these groups remain a great place for walking through life together and supporting one another in prayer and discipleship.
- **CCB Men** have a weekly men's Connect Group and they attended The Gathering weekend away in June run by Christian Visions for Men (CVM).
- **CCB Women** held a 'meet and mingle' evening for ladies to get to know each other in March; a 'retreat evening' in May and a Christmas craft evening in December. There are also a couple of women's Connect Groups.

**Prayer** is an important feature in our Connect Groups, our Leadership Meetings and every event that takes place at Christ Church. We are always looking for ways in which we can encourage people in their own prayer lives and widen our corporate prayer coverage to encompass the whole life of the church in a deeper way.

- A weekday morning prayer meeting on zoom, 6.30-7am.
- The Prayer Ministry Team pray after every morning service.
- Prayer requests are regularly sent out on email to alert the church to pray for serious and urgent matters.

#### *Other Activities*

Throughout 2024 regular events took place in the church or hall and/or online, during the week and on Sundays. For example:

- Children's and young people's groups at the 10.45 Service.
- Easter Experience which covered the stations of the cross for all Christ Church School primary children.
- Children's Light Party on 31<sup>st</sup> October.
- One Parenting for Faith course was held online.
- Tots & Tunes group meets weekly for parents of pre-schoolers.
- A hugely successful holiday club was held during the February half term holiday attended by over 75 children.
- Youth activities included a fortnightly youth club (Living Room). Older youth continue to meet on a Sunday evening to eat, have fun and learn about Jesus.

- Thursday Fellowship (for senior members of the church and community) had weekly meetings and a monthly lunch which includes time of fellowship and they have a speaker. We also held an activity day ('Mini Oasis') in August which included fish and chips, a craft, afternoon tea & a movie.
- Rainbows and Brownies met weekly.
- The Marathi Congregation met twice a month on Sunday afternoons, with additional services at Easter and Christmas.
- A small team go onto Barnet High Street on Saturday mornings to pray with the local community and shop owners and share the Gospel.

The halls are let and used by the community for various activities including children's parties, training events, baby, toddler and children's groups, U3A classes, National Childbirth Trust and Barnet Society. A pre-school uses part of the Pennefather Hall every day of the week during term time.

We had a temporary Premises Manager at the beginning of 2024 and recruited Liam Kelly, our permanent Caretaker, from September 2024. We also employ Ildi Esze as Cleaner. Pat Blyth faithfully served as our Administrator until April 2024 for which we are incredibly thankful; Katy Rawlings took over the role in May and Jo Penn is Operations Manager. We continue to be incredibly blessed by the many volunteers who give their time and skills for the life of the church.

Our website is visited regularly, and we use ChurchSuite as the main information platform for church members, providing automated updates of church events and rotas, and managing regular email updates. Groups throughout the church also use social media sites to communicate with one another and the community. The church has dedicated Facebook and Instagram accounts. Communication with the congregation also continues by more traditional methods such as Term Cards, monthly notice sheets and notices at Sunday services. Our Data Protection and Privacy Policy is in place and up to date, this is reviewed annually.

### *Compassion Ministry*

£1,752 was spent during the year on our Compassion Ministry leaving a balance of £1,071 to carry forward as at 31 December 2024. The Compassion fund supports those who are struggling under normal circumstances through one off gifts; these are brought to the attention of church leadership and agreed with one of the Church Wardens. Our Food Bank was in place for many years, however, we laid this down in Spring 2024. We are incredibly grateful to all those who devoted their time and energy into the food bank during this time. We are a corporate member of the Chipping Barnet Trussell Trust foodbank, and several church members volunteer at this food bank and we also collect for Homeless Action in Barnet (HAB).

The Barnet CAP Debt Centre is based at CCB in partnership with the Stable Church High Barnet. CCB employs Karen Hedges as Debt Centre Manager, and Beth Raynor as Debt Coach. The service is well utilized serving those seeking financial support in the local community. CCB made a grant towards the centre's running costs of £7,500 in 2024.

We continue to support the Homeless Action in Barnet (HAB) Winter Shelter and also collect food and goods to pass onto the HAB centre in North Finchley.

### *Mission*

Supporting Mission means helping to equip others to reach people with the Good News of Jesus and we support people and organisations in the UK and overseas. 10.5% (£41,223) of our unrestricted and mission gift day income was given to mission and charitable causes and the main recipients were as follows:

- John family in Harpenden. Danny John runs 'Care2Share' which is connected with Churches in India (£12,750).
- Clive and Glenda McMinn at the Bettaway Community Church in Delft, Cape Town, South Africa (£7,429).
- Paul Woodington and his family, former church members, working with Mission Aviation Fellowship in Papua New Guinea (£6,439).
- The Scutt family in Malawi working with Youth With A Mission (£4,330).
- Simon and Miriam Desborough at Africa Inland Mission in Madagascar (£3,700).

Further amounts were given to other mission agencies and individuals during the year.

### *Children and Youth*

An average of 50 children and young people regularly attend Church on Sunday mornings, with age-appropriate groups for 0-18s. Rainbows and Brownies continue to meet.

Our ministry extends to Christ Church Primary school and other local schools where we lead weekly assemblies. Julie Lewis & Pipe Figueroa have worked hard to enable the youth and children's ministry to continue effectively & flourish with the support of a team of volunteers.

### *Barnet Deanery Report*

Deanery Synod is a level of church governance, providing a forum for sharing and working together for the well-being of all the parishes therein. We have three representatives from Christ Church at the Deanery Synod and we are incredibly thankful for their commitment and service.

### *Ecumenical relationships*

The church is a member of Churches Together for Chipping Barnet. Two members of Christ Church serve as trustees of Barnet Churches Action, a charity set up by Churches Together to run Hope Corner Community Centre, the primary ecumenical outreach project on the Dollis Valley Estate and Underhill Ward. Members of the church also support the work of Barnet Community Projects, which operates out of the Rainbow Centre on the estate.

### *Buildings*

2024 saw a lot of general maintenance work rather than larger projects and we are incredibly thankful to all the volunteers who have helped. The summer was spent redecorating the inside and outside of Wentworth Road while it was vacant.

### *Financial review*

Total income amounted to £428,260 of which £278,875 was received through the planned giving scheme and £60,036 was tax recovered under Gift Aid. Total expenditure amounted to £460,606 including £97,800 as our contribution to the diocesan parish share (also known as the Common Fund).

Due to increasing uncertainty around the Church of England's teaching on identity, sexuality, relationships and marriage, the introduction of Prayers of Love and Faith and the allocation of Common Fund, the PCC voted unanimously at its July 16, 2024, meeting to pay Christ Church's Common Fund contribution through the Ephesians Fund, with the instruction that all direct costs are paid as normal but the balance is paid to support two churches who cannot meet their Common Fund contributions.

The net result for the year is that expenditure exceeded income by £32,346. There are reserves at the end of the year of £321,326 of which £228,082 is on general fund (including a legacy gift accounted for in 2023 yet to be assigned), £70,387 on designated funds and £22,857 on restricted funds.

### *Reserves policy*

In line with Charity Commission guidance it is the policy of the PCC to maintain, if possible, a balance on its unrestricted funds which equates to at least three months unrestricted payments. Available reserves at 31 December 2024 on the general fund total £176,944. This represents just over five months' expenditure.

### *Volunteers*

Volunteers play significant roles in all the varied activities in which we are involved, both on our premises and in the community, the financial value of this cannot be quantified.

### *Structure, governance and management*

The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2006) and, from 6 May 2009, is a charity registered with the Charity Commission under charity registration number 1129436. Registration is in the name of The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church South Mimms.

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. Membership of the PCC consists of our clergy and churchwardens, 8 PCC members and 4 Deanery Synod members who are elected by those members of the congregation who are on the electoral role of the church. Lay Ministers are included as well. 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. We aim that PCC members will have differing abilities and interests and level of expertise so that it may function more effectively. New members have some induction and are made aware of their responsibilities. Training is encouraged where it is considered beneficial. The full PCC met 6 times during the year.

The PCC was assisted by the Buildings and Business Team (BBT) and the Mission Committee. A Buildings' Vision group also provided input into long-term strategy for the buildings. Apart from BBT, which reports all its business directly to PCC, these committees are informal but are responsible to the PCC and provide recommendations accordingly. Andy Wright was Chairperson of the John Trotter Trust until summer 2024 and reported regularly to the PCC, this role is currently vacant.

The BBT has reviewed the major risks to which the PCC and the church are exposed and is ensuring that systems are established to mitigate those risks. Insurance policies are in place to cover appropriate risks to church buildings, employees of the PCC and public liability and these were reviewed. Health and safety issues have been discussed and updated during the year and monitored on a regular basis. Our safeguarding policy is in place and is reviewed annually and there are procedures laid down that must be followed to obtain the necessary disclosure for those people working with young children and vulnerable adults. Anna Coles is the Parish Safeguarding Officer and reports to the PCC, Jo Penn is the Deputy Safeguarding Officer. Stuart Nicholls is our Children's Champion. The PCC confirms that it has complied with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults).

The Mission Committee is led by Revd. Andy Rimmer. It focuses on the missionaries and organisations that we support, working to keep mission a key part of our Christ Church identity. The members include a church representative for each mission partner.

### *Administrative information*

Christ Church Barnet is part of the Diocese of London within the Church of England. The correspondence address is the Church Office, St Albans Road, Barnet, Herts. EN5 4LA. Day to day management is carried out by the Operations Manager and Administrator who are responsible to the incumbent and the PCC.

The names and addresses of the principal advisors to the PCC are as follows:

Bankers – Barclays Bank PLC, 1 Churchill Place, London, E14 5HP

Architect - Mr. Mark Eddison, MEB Design Ltd, Clerkenwell House, London EC1R 0EB

Independent examiner – Richard Hill, Griffin Stone Moscrop & Co, 21-27 Lamb's Conduit Street, London WC1N 3GS.

The PCC members who have served from 1 January 2024 until the date this report was approved, except as stated, are:

Incumbent:	Revd. Andy Rimmer
Lay Ministers:	Julian Desborough Carol Betts
Co-opted members:	
Lay Associate Minister.	James Herring (until July 2024) Revd. Blessing Chishanu (since September 2024)
Wardens:	Ken Morton Tanuja Nicholls (until April 2024) Joshua Hill (since April 2024)
Deanery synod:	Steve Bull Julian Desborough Anthony Mak Fan Graham Thomas
Elected members:	Funmi Ayodeji Suzie Cheong (since April 2024) Mali Firoozian (until July 2024, resigned) Michael Miles (since April 2024) Ges Molina Steve Newberry (since April 2024) Katriya Ross Beth Vargeson Jack Watts (until April 2024)
Secretary:	Kristan Payne (to July 2024) Katy Rawlings (since July 2024)

Approved by the PCC on 18 March 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

*Blessing Chishanu*

Revd. Blessing Chishanu  
Associate Minister  
*On behalf of Revd. Andy Rimmer*

**CHRIST CHURCH BARNET PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total funds 2024	Total funds 2023
	Note	£	£	£	£
<b>Income</b>					
Voluntary income	1a	377,973	39,176	417,149	512,746
Income from investments	1b	9,832	-	9,832	6,513
Income from church activities	1c	1,279	-	1,279	2,063
<b>Total income</b>		<b>389,084</b>	<b>39,176</b>	<b>428,260</b>	<b>521,322</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
Church activities	2a	383,127	77,479	460,606	382,026
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<b>383,127</b>	<b>77,479</b>	<b>460,606</b>	<b>382,026</b>
<b>Net income (expenditure) before investment gain</b>		<b>5,957</b>	<b>(38,303)</b>	<b>(32,346)</b>	<b>139,296</b>
Net gain on investments - unrealised		110	-	110	412
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<b>6,067</b>	<b>(38,303)</b>	<b>(32,236)</b>	<b>139,708</b>
Total funds brought forward at 1 January 2024		292,402	61,160	353,562	213,854
<b>Total funds carried forward at 31 December 2024</b>		<b>298,469</b>	<b>22,857</b>	<b>321,326</b>	<b>353,562</b>

The attached notes form part of these accounts.

**CHRIST CHURCH BARNET PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**  
**BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2024**

	Note	2024	2024	2023	2023
		£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	6a		1,080		1,620
Investments	6b		<u>4,902</u>		<u>4,792</u>
			5,982		6,412
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	7	65,545		157,455	
Short term deposits		219,789		168,289	
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>42,075</u>		<u>30,760</u>	
		327,409		356,504	
<b>Liabilities: amounts falling due within one year</b>					
	8	<u>12,065</u>		<u>9,354</u>	
<b>Net current assets</b>			315,344		347,150
<b>Net assets</b>			<u><b>321,326</b></u>		<u><b>353,562</b></u>
<b>Parish funds:</b>					
Unrestricted;					
General	9a		228,082		227,011
Designated	9b		<u>70,387</u>		<u>65,391</u>
			298,469		292,402
Restricted	10		22,857		61,160
			<u><b>321,326</b></u>		<u><b>353,562</b></u>

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 18 March 2025  
and signed on its behalf by:

*Blessing Chishanu*

Rev. Blessing Chishanu (Associate Minister)  
On behalf of Rev. Andy Rimmer

*Ges Molina*

Mr Ges Molina (Hon Treasurer)

The attached notes form part of these accounts.



**CHRIST CHURCH BARNET PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL  
ACCOUNTING POLICIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

**Basis of preparation**

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCC's, and with the Regulations 'true and fair view' provisions, together with FRS102 (2016) as the applicable standards and the 2016 version of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities SORP (FRS102).

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the valuation of investment assets, which are shown at fair value.

The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of FRS 102.

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

**Fund accounting**

The general fund represents the unrestricted fund, which is available for use at the discretion of the PCC members in furtherance of the general objectives of the church, and which has not been designated for any other particular purpose.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by PCC members for a particular purpose.

Restricted funds represent funds which are to be used in accordance with specific instructions imposed by the donors or which have been raised by the church for particular purposes.

**Income**

All income is recognised once the PCC has entitlement to the income, it is probable the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received. Tax recoverable on gift aid donations is recognised when the income to which they relate is received. Legacies are accounted when the PCC is entitled to the use of the resources, their ultimate receipt is considered reasonably certain and the amounts are readily quantifiable. Dividends and interest are accounted for when received.

In accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) donated services and the time spent by volunteers, of which the church is heavily dependent in order to achieve its aims, are not included in income as the economic benefit cannot be measured reliably.

**Expenditure**

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. All expenses including support costs and governance costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure headings. Support costs are those costs

incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the church. Governance costs are those costs incurred in connection with the independent examination of the statutory financial statements and the cost of any legal advice to PCC members on governance or constitutional matters.

**Fixed assets**

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

Moveable church furnishings held by the vicar and churchwardens on special trust for the PCC, and which require a faculty for disposal are inalienable property, listed in the church's inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For anything acquired prior to 2000 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the financial statements. All expenditure incurred during the year to renew, improve or add to them is written off as an expense.

Office equipment used within church premises is depreciated on a straight-line basis over 4 years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £1,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

Investments are valued at market value at 31 December.

**Debtors**

Other debtors and prepayments are included in the accounts at the amount owing to the PCC at the balance sheet or expenditure that has been prepaid as at that date.

**Cash at bank**

Cash at bank includes cash held on short term deposit with the CBF Church of England funds.

**Creditors and provisions**

Creditors and provisions are recognised at their settlement amount where the church has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably.

**Financial instruments**

The church only has financial assets and liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

**CHRIST CHURCH BARNET PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**  
**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Restricted funds</b>	<b>Total funds 2024</b>	<b>Total funds 2023</b>
<b>Income</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>1a) Voluntary income</b>				
Planned giving				
Under gift aid	243,235	-	243,235	222,873
Not under gift aid	35,640	-	35,640	39,231
Tax recoverable on giving under gift aid	60,036	-	60,036	67,428
Website and contactless giving	18,549	-	18,549	15,302
Loose cash offerings at services	4,677	-	4,677	3,803
Mission gift days and special offerings	-	5,053	5,053	7,057
Other donations and sundry income	15,836	29,336	45,172	25,131
Legacy	-	-	-	130,156
Grant from LDF	-	2,000	2,000	-
Income of church organisations	-	2,787	2,787	1,765
	<b>377,973</b>	<b>39,176</b>	<b>417,149</b>	<b>512,746</b>
<b>1b) Income from investments</b>				
Interest	9,699	-	9,699	6,382
Dividends	133	-	133	131
	<b>9,832</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9,832</b>	<b>6,513</b>
<b>1c) Income from church activities</b>				
Fees	<b>1,279</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,279</b>	<b>2,063</b>

For the year ended 31 December 2023 of the total income £498,587 related to unrestricted funds and £22,735 related to restricted funds.

**CHRIST CHURCH BARNET PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**  
**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (continued)**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Restricted funds</b>	<b>Total funds 2024</b>	<b>Total funds 2023</b>
	£	£	£	£
<b>2a) Church activities</b>				
Mission causes, charities and Christian workers	36,170	5,053	41,223	42,448
Compassion and discretionary fund grants	874	1,752	2,626	4,169
Bursary grants	-	-	-	500
Foodbank	-	1,678	1,678	3,857
Christians Against Poverty	1,154	22,452	23,606	20,079
Diocesan parish share	97,800	-	97,800	89,075
Associate ministers	38,853	2,000	40,853	31,777
Youth worker - paid to Latin Link	35,562	-	35,562	33,753
Children and families worker	19,890	-	19,890	18,306
Vicar's working expenses	1,033	-	1,033	957
Accommodation costs	2,052	-	2,052	1,560
Church running expenses	12,099	-	12,099	8,840
Church repairs and maintenance	7,623	-	7,623	8,592
Church major works inc chairs	21,452	40,925	62,377	10,240
Services, events and outreach	12,811	-	12,811	10,042
Expenditure of church organisations	-	2,548	2,548	2,721
Youth work	3,801	-	3,801	5,473
School governors	2,500	-	2,500	2,500
Training	2,678	-	2,678	2,649
Parish administrators	47,221	-	47,221	42,785
Employers national insurance and pensions	7,568	-	7,568	6,942
Premises managers	14,772	-	14,772	19,041
Office administration	6,571	-	6,571	4,156
Equipment replacement and maintenance	4,215	1,071	5,286	1,576
IT costs	1,254	-	1,254	4,929
Miscellaneous	1,544	-	1,544	2,719
Depreciation	540	-	540	540
Governance cost:				
Independent examiner's fee	3,090	-	3,090	1,800
	<b>383,127</b>	<b>77,479</b>	<b>460,606</b>	<b>382,026</b>

For the year ended 31 December 2023 of the total expenditure £350,368 related to unrestricted funds and £31,658 related to restricted funds.

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**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (continued)****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024****3. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities**

	<b>Ministry costs</b>	<b>Support costs</b>	<b>Total 2024</b>	<b>Total 2023</b>
	£	£	£	£
Mission causes, charities and Christian workers (see note 4)	41,223	-	41,223	42,948
Compassion and discretionary fund grants	2,626	-	2,626	4,169
Foodbank and Christians Against Poverty	25,284	-	25,284	23,936
Diocesan parish share	97,800	-	97,800	89,075
Staff costs	154,061	11,805	165,866	152,604
Clergy expenses and training	3,712	-	3,712	3,606
Accommodation costs	2,051	-	2,051	1,560
Church running expenses	12,099	-	12,099	8,840
Church repairs and maintenance	7,623	-	7,623	8,592
Church major works inc chairs	62,377	-	62,377	10,240
Services, events and outreach	12,811	-	12,811	10,042
Expenditure of church organisations	2,548	-	2,548	2,721
Youth work	3,801	-	3,801	5,473
School governors	2,500	-	2,500	2,500
Office administration and sundry costs	6,472	1,643	8,115	6,875
Equipment replacement and maintenance	5,286	-	5,286	1,576
IT costs	940	314	1,254	4,929
Depreciation	540	-	540	540
Governance cost:				
Independent examiner's fee	-	3,090	3,090	1,800
	<b>443,754</b>	<b>16,852</b>	<b>460,606</b>	<b>382,026</b>

**4. Expenditure on Mission causes, charities and Christian workers****2024****2023**

Included within this category were the following grants in excess of £2,000 that were paid from unrestricted and restricted funds:

	£	£
Delft, South Africa / McMinns family	7,429	7,886
Johns family	12,750	13,700
Mission Aviation Fellowship / Woodington family	6,439	6,068
Scutt family	4,330	6,408
AIM / Desborough family	3,700	3,150

**5. Staff costs**

	£	£
Salaries	130,015	126,910
Social security costs	5,089	4,606
Pension costs	2,479	2,336
	<b>137,583</b>	<b>133,852</b>

In addition, the youth worker is paid through Latin Link, the amount in the year being £35,562 (2023 : £33,753). The average number of employees for the year on a full-time basis was 2 (2023 : 1) and 5 (2023: 6 ) on a part-time basis.

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Rev Blessing Chishanu, the associate minister, is an employee and is a member of the PCC by virtue of being a Clerk in Holy Orders.

There were no other payments to any other PCC member or persons closely connected with them.

**6. Fixed assets**

**6a) Tangible assets**

	£
Cost: 1 January 2024	13,156
Addition in year	0
Cost : 31 December 2024	13,156
Depreciation : 1 January 2024	11,536
Depreciation for the year	540
Depreciation : 31 December 2024	12,076
Net book value:	
31 December 2024	1,080
31 December 2023	1,620

**6b) Investments**

212 shares in CBF Church of England Investment Fund at market value  
- historical cost £106.

	2024	2023
	£	£
Tax recoverable	15,622	24,883
Other debtors	2,923	343
Prepayments	1,844	2,073
Legacy	45,156	130,156
	<b>65,545</b>	<b>157,455</b>

Solicitors acting for the Estate of Robert Swanborough gave notification of a legacy of £130,156 in October 2023. £85,000 has been received on account in 2024.

**8. Liabilities: amounts falling due within one year**

	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	6,150	4,168
Other creditors	5,915	5,186
	<b>12,065</b>	<b>9,354</b>

**9a) General fund**

	£
Balance at 1 January 2024	227,011
Net movement in unrestricted funds for the year	6,067
	233,078
Transfer to designated funds (net)	4,996
Balance at 31 December 2024	<b>228,082</b>

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**9b) Designated funds**

The following designated funds have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the PCC for specific purposes:

	<b>At 01/01/24</b>	<b>Incoming transfers / income</b>	<b>Resources expended</b>	<b>At 31/12/24</b>
	£	£	£	£
Building repair fund - for major works	20,482	23,000	21,452	22,030
Vicarage interior decorations	3,692	-	751	2,941
Mission fund	5,101	3,500	6,022	2,579
Christians Against Poverty	14,927	7,500	779	21,648
Evangelism / outreach fund	2,000	-	-	2,000
Outreach worker	10,000	-	-	10,000
Bursary	1,269	-	-	1,269
IT upgrade	2,920	-	-	2,920
Legacy	5,000	-	-	5,000
	<b>65,391</b>	<b>34,000</b>	<b>29,004</b>	<b>70,387</b>

**10. Restricted funds**

The funds of the PCC include restricted funds comprising the following balances of donations to be applied for specific purposes:

	<b>At 01/01/24</b>	<b>Incoming resources</b>	<b>Resources expended</b>	<b>At 31/12/24</b>
	£	£	£	£
Building repair fund - for reordering	43,750	5,114	40,925	7,939
Bursary fund	2,343	-	-	2,343
Legacy	1,666	-	-	1,666
Seniors' pastor fund	1,525	-	-	1,525
Youth work	2,167	-	-	2,167
Compassion fund	2,690	133	1,752	1,071
Foodbank	2,808	566	1,678	1,696
Christians Against Poverty	-	22,452	22,452	-
Funds of church organisations	4,211	2,787	2,548	4,450
Mission and other causes	-	8,124	8,124	-
	<b>61,160</b>	<b>39,176</b>	<b>77,479</b>	<b>22,857</b>

**11. Analysis of net assets by fund**

	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Restricted funds</b>	<b>Total</b>
	£	£	£
Fixed assets	5,982	-	5,982
Current assets	302,588	24,821	327,409
Current liabilities	(10,101)	(1,964)	(12,065)
	<b>298,469</b>	<b>22,857</b>	<b>321,326</b>

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**12. Related party transactions**

The PCC members are considered the key management personnel of the church. No remuneration is paid directly to key management personnel, although the church contributes to the diocesan fund and the incumbent, who has overall responsibility for promoting the whole mission of the church, is remunerated directly by the diocese.

Income from planned giving includes £47,845 received from PCC members.

As disclosed in note 4, payments totalling £3,700 were made to support Simon Desborough and his family in their mission work. Simon is the son of a PCC member.

**13. Trustees of Pennefather Hall**

The trustees of the Pennefather Hall own the Pennefather Hall and the property at 8 Wentworth Road which is the residence of the associate minister of Christ Church.

The trustees of the Pennefather Hall bear the costs of the running expenses of the hall, including minor repairs, and receive income from lettings. Any deficit is funded by the PCC.

The buildings insurance of 8 Wentworth Road is also borne by the trustees of the Pennefather Hall and a charge is made to the PCC to cover this.



**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF CHRIST CHURCH BARNET  
PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024, which are set out on pages 7 to 16.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

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

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

**Independent examiner's statement**

Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared the accounts in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

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

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

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

*Richard Hill*

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Date: 24/3/2025