

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST COLUMBA ANFIELD

England & Wales · Charity number 1129512

Details

Other names	ST COLUMBA PCC ANFIELD
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Status	Registered
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Legal form	Previously excepted
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Registered	2009-05-11
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Register	View on the Charity Commission register
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Activities

Objects: Promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church.

Activities: The primary activity of the Parish is the provision of the spiritual needs and pastoral care of those who reside in the area. We work in close cooperation with other agencies and community groups to encourage social cohesion, education, and healthy living.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Religious Activities, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Environment/conservation/heritage, Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

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

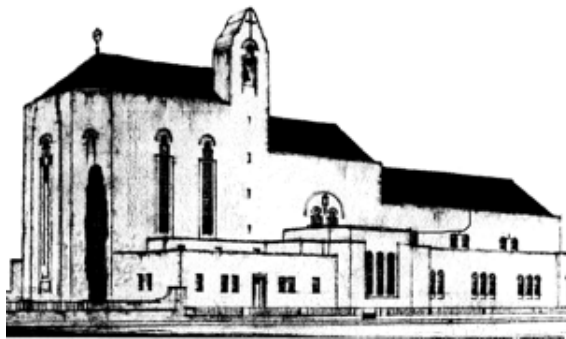
Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£98,864	£109,721	-	-
2023-12-31	£92,698	£90,803	-	-
2022-12-31	£86,830	£86,431	-	-
2021-12-31	£84,472	£77,558	-	-
2020-12-31	£79,189	£75,019	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev Daniel Thomas Howard	Chair	2020-02-18
ADRIAN MANSON		
Chinelo Njemanze		2025-05-18
Irene Dorothy Campbell		
Irene Taylor		2015-04-12
Jeffrey Brandwood		2017-04-30
Jemma Lorraine Johnston		2024-05-28
Jessica Amanda Howard		2022-05-28
Julie Holland		2015-04-12
Lori Roberts		2020-10-18
Lynn Colgan		2014-04-27
Malcolm Dorr		2018-04-28

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OF
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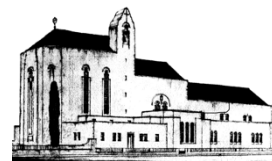
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THE PARISH CHURCH OF
SAINT COLUMBA, ANFIELD
'MISSIONARY DISCIPLES:
POINTING PEOPLE TO JESUS'



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Chairman's Report for the year ended 2024

Easter 2025

'Set your minds on things that are above.'

Dear Friends,

On Easter day we heard the words of Saint Paul to the Church at Colossae (3.2),
'set your minds on the things that are above, not on things that are on earth.
For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.'

As with all the scriptures, these words are addressed to us as much as they were addressed to the first Christians. As we look back over the course of the last year in this report, I would encourage you to have those words in your mind, for what is the Paschal mystery that we have celebrated? It is the opening up of new life in, through and with Christ.

In 2024 we were blessed with signs of this new life.

As a parish, we were able continue to foster the close links with our sister parishes in the Chapter of Transfiguration, those parishes under the extended episcopal care of the Bishop of Beverley, of which I serve as Dean of the Chapter. The relationships that have been formed over a number of years, but deepened in recent times, are bearing fruit as we work closely in the area of discipleship and mission. Key events that took place included 'Saint Luke's Mission Action Plan' – a study day on Saint Luke's gospel led by Fr Nicolas Stebbing a brother of the Community of the Resurrection. During this day we were encouraged to remember the focus of the Good News as recorded in Luke, namely, the mercy of God and the importance of the poor in the Kingdom of God. At another event we were engaged with the 'brighter course' in which we were encouraged to proclaim that gospel to all whom we meet.

A key point of collaboration amongst the chapter came in the summer months, as we took a group of children to the Youth Pilgrimage at the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham. This was the first trip since 2019 and was greatly enjoyed by all,

and was made particularly special as we venerated the relic of Blessed (soon to be Saint) Carlo Acutis, the first millennial saint in the Church. His story of serving the poor and remaining faithful to Christ deeply touched the young pilgrims, and his young example spurred our own children on to return in 2025. Please do pray for our children that they may grow in faith.

Our work with children in this field and our family mass has led the Diocese to identify St Columba's as a parish doing particularly well in this regard and bucking the national trends. As such, I was invited to be part of a regional programme, run by the national Church to further develop our work in this respect. Please do pray for me as I undertake this additional training, that it may bear fruit and open up further avenues to 'new life' for those missing from the life of the Church – in particular – please pray for the establishment of our toddler group, Columba's Kids, and for some more volunteers to step forward in order to make this happen. Could that be you? Please have a chat with me if you think it could be.

Another glimpse of resurrection life that we have celebrated came at Easter last year, and that was the news that James Williams had been recommended for training for the priesthood. James had responded to the call of the Lord and that call was deemed to be genuine. +Stephen, our Bishop, has asked us all to pray earnestly that more men may respond to the call of God and offer themselves in the service of the Lord. We pray for James that his formation at the College of the Resurrection may prepare him for what lies ahead in the service of the people of God.

Whilst we have celebrated joys in the course of the year, there have been times of difficulty, and in August, the PCC took the very difficult decision to close Columba's Café. A lack of trade meant that the café had been struggling to cover its costs, exacerbated by the difficult economic climate. I would like to record again, my thanks to Sharon Oulton for her outstanding contribution to the life of the parish over many years of service as Parish Centre Manager.

In the Autumn, a number of candidates were confirmed by Bishop Stephen. It is a joy that after the difficult years of Covid, we now continue to see numerical growth in our parish. This has been achieved through hard work and much prayer. As the latest research indicates, those who provides lots of services and methods of outreach tend to see new people coming through doors. This has certainly been the case with Saint Columba's.

At the close of the year, we received some good news for the future with the identification of a potential project manager to move forward the restoration of the church building.

With the overall project needing over one million pounds of external funding, we are fortunate that John Williams has vast knowledge obtaining such funding and managing complex projects of this magnitude. Please pray that work will be successful in order that we can secure the future of the building for the years to come.

The year ended with very encouraging Christmas attendance at Mass, the best in seven years, with growth particularly at the Family Mass at 4.00 pm on Christmas Eve.

We have seen glimpses of new life, resurrection life, we have grown in faith and in number, we pray that 2025 may be another year of blessing.

Fr Daniel

The Parish of Saint Columba's is a well-established Christian community, located in the suburb of Anfield and Deanery of Liverpool North & Walton, within the Diocese of Liverpool.

Since the early incumbencies of Fr Norman Alcock and Fr James Howard Foy the parish has been firmly rooted in the Catholic tradition of the Church of England, and displays all its hallmarks both liturgically and doctrinally. The parish is led by Fr Daniel Howard, who was instituted as Vicar in February 2020. Fr Daniel is supported by two Churchwardens, Mr Jeff Brandwood and Mrs Irene Campbell, a retired priest, Fr Tom Allen, and a Reader, Mr Adrian Manson, who holds the Bishop's License.

AIMS & PURPOSES

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) of the Parish of St Columba, Anfield has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent, Fr Daniel Howard, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the Church of St Columba, Anfield.

OBJECTIVES & ACTIVITIES

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship in our church and to become part of our community. Our vision is detailed below (this is not an exhaustive list):

- To be a community of 'Missionary Disciples: Pointing people to Jesus'.
- To allow people to worship God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, through regular attendance at mass and other public worship, and through daily personal prayer.
- To nurture a strong, welcoming Christian community, whose values are underpinned by the teaching of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- For all members of our church to grow in their Christian discipleship – praying, reading and learning.
- To reach out to the local community.
- To engage with our local school.
- To make a bigger difference in this community – telling, serving and giving.

- To providing pastoral care through baptism, wedding and funeral ministry as well as the visitation of the sick and dying.
- To offer teaching to children and young people and providing opportunity for them to worship and become active followers of Christ.
- To deliver catechetical and formational programmes.
- To participate in the fellowship of the Transfiguration with our sister parishes under the care of the Bishop of Beverley.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

The Parochial Church Council is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2020), and is registered with the Charity Commission, number: 1129512 under the name 'The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St. Columba, Anfield'.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE & MANAGEMENT

The structure, governance and management of the parish is determined by the rules of the Church of England, in particular the Church Representation Rules 2020. This sets out the membership of the PCC, which consists of the incumbent (Vicar), other clergy licensed to the parish, and the reader (all *ex-officio*), together with the two churchwardens (elected at the Annual Meeting of Parishioners) and members of the laity elected to serve on the Deanery Synod or Parochial Church Council (both of which are elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting).

Governance of the parish is provided by the Vicar, Churchwardens and PCC, whilst day-to-day management is the responsibility of the Vicar, Churchwardens and Officers of the Parochial Church Council. Whether *ex-officio* or elected, together, all 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.

VICAR & CHAIRMAN:

Fr Daniel Howard SSC BA (Hons), M.St (Oxon)

HONORARY ASSISTANT PRIEST:

Fr Tom Allen

READER:

Mr Adrian Manson

CHURCHWARDENS:

Mr Jeffery Brandwood & Mrs Irene Campbell

DEANERY SYNOD REPRESENTATIVES:

Mr Adrian Manson, Mr Malcolm Dorr & Mrs Jessica Howard

STANDING COMMITTEE:

Fr Daniel Howard, Jeff Brandwood (Warden), Irene Campbell (Warden),
Adrian Manson (Secretary), Julie Holland (Treasurer).

The existence of the Standing Committee is required under the Church Representation Rules. It meets prior to PCC meetings to set the agenda for the meeting and transact delegated business.

The full membership list of the PCC is detailed below in the PCC report.

HEALTH & SAFETY OFFICER:

Mrs Jessica Howard

PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICERS:

Mrs Lynn Colgan & Mrs Jacqui Hale

ELECTORAL ROLL OFFICER:

Mrs Jacqui Hale

STATUTORY REPORTS

REPORT ON THE ELECTORAL ROLL SINCE THE LAST APCM

This year a full revision of the electoral roll has taken place. The total number on the roll therefore stands at 59, of whom 30 live within the parish and 29 live outside our boundaries. In particular, we pray for the soul of Colleen Isaac who has died since last year's roll. We pray too for those who have left the parish due to moving house: Ola Oyenuga and Barathi Goriparthi.

Jacqui Hale
Electoral Roll Officer

Report on the Proceedings of the Parochial Church Council (2024)

1. The membership of the PCC since the last APCM on Tuesday 28th May 2024 comprises of: Fr Daniel Howard (Vicar & PCC Chair); Mr Jeff Brandwood (Church Warden & PCC Vice Chair); Mrs Irene Campbell (Church Warden & Deanery Synod Representative); Miss Julie Holland (Treasurer); Fr Tommy Allen (Assistant Priest), Mr Adrian Manson (Reader, Secretary & Deanery Synod Representative); Mr James Williams (Deanery Synod Representative), Mrs Jessica Howard, Mrs Jacqui Hale; Mrs Joyce Jones, Mr Tony Oulton, Mrs Lynn Colgan, Mrs Lori Roberts, Mr Malcolm Dorr, Mrs Irene Taylor, Mrs Betty Doran and Mrs Sue Dowling. During the course of the year a number of changes took place to the PCC membership, Mrs Dowling and Mrs Doran resigned and Mr Williams left to begin his training for the priesthood. The casual vacancies were filled by Mrs Lorna Stanley, Mrs Jemma Johnstone and Mrs Marj Allen.
2. The daily running of the parish was conducted by the Vicar. The PCC met on several occasions, including 21.03.24, 09.05.24, 04.08.24 and 15.10.24. In addition to this, it met, as is required by the PCC representation rules, immediately following the APCM for the year ended 2023 which took place on 28th May 2024. The standing committee was convened at multiple times between these meetings to consider urgent items during the course of the year.
3. In addition to the regular reports received at each meeting including updates and deanery developments, discussion has also taken place on the following:
 - **Safeguarding:** a safeguarding report can be seen below written jointly by the Vicar and the Parish Safeguarding Officers.
 - **Finance:** a financial report can be seen below written jointly by the Vicar and the treasurer, Miss Julie Holland.

- **Services:** The Sunday Masses remain at 9.00 am and 10.30 am, however, there is a Family Mass, 'Columba's Communion' twice a month at 4.00 pm.

At present, Mass is celebrated midweek on Tuesday at 7.00 pm, Wednesday at 10.00 am and Thursday at 12 noon. There are other seasonal services.

- **Support:** The Church recognises that it must serve its community, and we seek to imitate the example of Jesus who came not to be served, but to serve. We actively support the following causes: St Andrew's Community Network through the collection of food for those in local need; World Vision, supporting children in developing countries; Leprosy Mission; the Children's Society and the Additional Curates Society.
- **Church & Parish Centre Buildings:** please see the fabric and ornaments report compiled by the Churchwardens.
- **Parish Centre:** A warm relationship is enjoyed with Rosie & Jim's Nursery who have been tenants since 2019 and also, since 2022, United Response, a charity that supports adults with learning disabilities.
- **Church Growth:** has been the priority of the Vicar and PCC and growth has been achieved after the challenges of the pandemic.
- **Fellowship of the Transfiguration:** as detailed in the Chairman's report, the parish continues to be an active member of the Fellowship of the Transfiguration, a fellowship of Anglo-Catholic parishes, under the care of the Bishop of Beverley, that seeks to work collectively in the field of mission, evangelism and discipleship.

Adrian Manson
PCC Secretary

Safeguarding of Children and Vulnerable Adults

The safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults is a priority for St Columba's. We are continuing to create a culture of safeguarding where responsibility for the protection of children and vulnerable adults is shared by all. Full safeguarding requirements are implemented, including confidential declarations, fit and proper persons forms, code of safer working practice and DBS checks are completed for elected PCC members and those who are eligible due to their work. The Safer Recruitment Process is followed for those working directly with vulnerable adults and children. At the last APCM the PCC has adopted the House of Bishops Safeguarding Policy, and this, as well as the contact details for diocesan and local safeguarding advisors feature on the 'Promoting a Safer Church' poster located around the building. The importance of training for those who undertake work with children, as well as for those in positions of leadership (PCC) was prioritised over the course of the last year and online training was facilitated in the hall over a number of afternoon sessions.

Fr Daniel Howard, Jacqui Hale & Lynn Colgan
Safeguarding Team

Financial Report of the Parochial Church Council

For the last two years we noted the financial assessment of the parish was 'stable' rather than 'secure'. We have seen a slight improvement in the finances of the parish due to changes in providers for essential utilities and also due to rent increases for user groups. However, operating costs remain higher than in previous years precisely because of these external factors which have not, overall, reduced to a substantial level. This year it will be necessary to undertake a stewardship campaign, in part to counter the costs experienced, but also, due to the fact that a small proportion of regular givers cover the majority of costs. If we wish to see the church flourish and be here in the immediate future – and if we wish to receive a new priest should a vacancy occur, then quite simply, giving must increase and be more evenly spread around the congregation, at present this is not the case. With the level of building work needed, as well as the professional costs that will be incurred, in addition to the increases in consumables and rates, it would be hugely beneficial if every worshipping member of the parish could consider their giving. If you give, could you make a slight increase? If you've stopped giving, could you re-start? If you don't give, could you begin? I am ready to explain the multiple options for giving in complete confidence, so if you don't give and would like to, please do be in touch. Generosity is key to our life as a parish – thank you to all who support the finances of the parish.

Julie Holland

The Accounts and Independent Examiner's Report can be found in the pages following these reports, and are to be read in conjunction with these statements.

Report on the Fabric, Goods and Ornaments of the Churches of the Parish Church & Community Centre

The overall stewardship of the 'Fabric, Goods and Ornaments' is an ongoing task undertaken year by year. This Fabric, Goods and Ornaments report is the process by which the Church of England oversees and ensures good management of all the Church physical assets. In 2024 the following works have been completed or undertaken:

- The smoke detectors around the parish centre have been tested on a six-monthly basis, likewise the fire alarm and emergency lighting for the parish centre is tested and is in good working order.
- The Church heaters were all serviced in May 2024 and found to be in good working order.
- The lift in the foyer, leading to the first floor of the parish centre has been fully maintained and the necessary repairs undertaken.
- The lift in the parish centre has been inspected professionally every six months and is compliant with the LOLER regulations.
- The gutters were cleared on the Church roof and as far as possible along the roof of the hall to ensure that water could pass through easily and drain through the pipes.
- The fire extinguishers were serviced/replaced as necessary to ensure compliance.
- The heating system located in the boiler room adjacent to the Bishop James room (which serves the whole parish centre) was serviced and found to be in good working order.
- The necessary gas certificates were obtained for the parish centre and nursery.
- Essential plumbing and minor electrical work has been completed to enable the smooth running of operations.
- The timber within the shutters which protect the main entrance doors have been replaced.
- The high level vegetation growing from the bell cote was removed and the brickwork was re-pointed
- As is detailed in the latest Quinquennial Report in 2019, we recognise that other essential work, must be completed and we are confident that this will be forthcoming with the identification of a project manager/fundraiser.

Jeff Brandwood & Irene Campbell
Churchwardens

Report on the Proceedings of the Deanery Synod

The Liverpool North & Walton Deanery met several times over the course of the last year to transact business and hear reports from across the parishes. The deanery is still adjusting following the merger and is considering the pastoral re-organisation proposed by Fit for Mission. The decision, whether to opt into this new scheme or remain in our current position will be decided by every PCC and fed back to the Deanery. The Deanery kindly provided two grants for projects within the parish, namely, the Walsingham Youth Pilgrimage to help cover essential costs and a grant towards the establishment of a Toddler Group for the community.

Adrian Manson
Deanery Synod Representative

NON-STATUTORY REPORTS

Discipleship

To be a disciple of Jesus means to be close to him. Over the course of the year we have undertaken various discipleship courses all with the aim of deepening our relationship with Jesus. Over the Lenten season we thought carefully about how Jesus is the Bread of Life as we read the book with the same title produced by the Confraternity of the Blessed Sacrament. As Lent moved to Holy Week, which is perhaps the most important moment in our discipleship, we explored the theme of 'Love Unknown' each day, based on the words of Samuel Crossman's famous passionate hymn, concentrating in a meditative way, on the things that Jesus did in order to reconcile us to the Father. We enjoyed a time of fellowship together through a meal on Good Friday and a devotional film intended to deepen our walk with Christ and anticipation of Easter. As the new liturgical year began with Advent, we embarked on a study of the essential components of the Nicene Creed, produced by the Society of St Wilfrid & St Hilda to mark 1,700th anniversary of the Council of Nicaea.

Food Pantry – Columba's Kitchen

Columba's Kitchen, our main act of service to the local community, saw exponential growth in the number of customers. Whilst we rejoice that people are able to access reasonably priced food through us, such a rise is cause for concern as clearly the cost of living crisis is seemingly pushing more people into complex situations which require assistance. A key moment came at Christmas as we were given a number of Christmas hampers (through Liverpool Football Club) to distribute to those who would benefit the most. It remains an honour and gospel imperative to serve in this way and the pantry is now embedded into our common life together. We rejoice that a steady stream of customers have filtered into our worshipping community and have encountered the Lord. Please pray that our desire to serve may be strengthened, and that we would find ways of proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ in this context.

Fr Daniel Howard

Family Mass

Columba's Communion, better known as our family Mass was established to cater to the needs of families for whom Sunday morning worship was difficult. We continue to meet this need as often as possible, but this can be challenging at times given the huge amount of Liverpool FC fixtures that have fallen on a Sunday afternoon, making both travel and parking difficult.

We have tried to reach out to new families, particularly those who have pledged to bring their children up in the Christian faith at baptism, but sadly with limited effect. All the research suggests that invitation remains the key way in which people join the life of the church. Could you invite your children or grandchildren – or better still – both? Remember, if we have been baptized, and have had our children/grandchildren baptized then we are required to share our faith with them – that was the promise made before God, it's important for us to be reminded of this from time to time. Why not pray for your children/grandchildren and invite them to come along to Family Mass?

Fr Daniel Howard

Columba's Crew

Columba's Crew enjoyed having new children join across the course of the year. However, as children have joined, some have also left due to their families relocating out of Liverpool. Welcome is a key part of our mission and we are always eager for new people to join us and begin their journey of faith. We're sure you will have relatives or friends with children, why not invite them along and encourage them to come! It is well known that children are described as the future of the church, that is true, but they are also the present – who can you bring along?

Jessica Howard

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Columba, Anfield**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2024 which are set out on pages 19 to 28.

Responsibilities and basis of report.

As the charity trustees of the \trust 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 have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)b of the Act.

Independent Examiners Statement

In connection with my examination, I can 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 Trust as required by section 130 of the Act: or
2. The accounts do not accord with the accounting records: or
3. Th 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 order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Stuart Gordon Chartered Accountant,
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25th April 2025.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST. COLUMBA, ANFIELD

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024**

		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS	
				2024 £	2023 £
INCOME FROM:	Note				
Donations and Legacies	2	25,567	648	26,215	24,772
Other trading activities	3	66,273	0	66,273	62,867
Investments	4	650	0	650	496
Charitable Activities	5	101	5,625	5,726	4,563
Other Income	6	0	0	0	0
TOTAL INCOME		<u>92,591</u>	<u>6,273</u>	<u>98,864</u>	<u>92,698</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Raising funds	7	6,164	12	6,176	7,836
Charitable Activities	8	96,596	6,949	103,545	82,967
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		<u>102,760</u>	<u>6,961</u>	<u>109,721</u>	<u>90,803</u>
NET (EXPENDITURE)/INCOME		(10,169)	(688)	(10,857)	1,895
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS		0	0	0	0
		<u>(10,169)</u>	<u>(688)</u>	<u>(10,857)</u>	<u>1,895</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward at 1st January 2024		<u>589,248</u>	<u>2,327</u>	<u>591,575</u>	<u>589,680</u>
Total funds carried forward at 31st December 2024		<u>579,079</u>	<u>1,639</u>	<u>580,718</u>	<u>591,575</u>

The notes on pages 21 to 28 form part of these accounts.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST. COLUMBA, ANFIELD

BALANCE SHEET AT 31ST DECEMBER 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	11	550,926	550,926
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	12	7,300	4,150
Cash at bank and in hand		33,540	39,477
		<u>40,840</u>	<u>43,627</u>
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	13	11,048	2,978
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>29,792</u>	<u>40,649</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		580,718	591,575
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR		0	0
TOTAL NET ASSETS		<u>580,718</u>	<u>591,575</u>
THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY			
Unrestricted funds	15	579,079	589,248
Restricted funds		1,639	2,327
		<u>580,718</u>	<u>591,575</u>

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on

and signed on its behalf by:

.....
Fr. Daniel Howard

.....
Miss Julie Holland

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THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST. COLUMBA, ANFIELD

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024**

1 Accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the valuation of investment assets, which are shown at market value. The financial statement have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations together with applicable accounting standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2015 FRS 102).

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

Funds

General funds represent the funds of the Parochial Church Council ("charity") that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the charity. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the trustees are also unrestricted.

Restricted funds are funds subject to specific conditions imposed by the donors or through the terms of an appeal.

Transfers of funds are made to recognise the release of restricted funds or to meet expenditure not covered by restricted income.

Income

Donations, legacies and other voluntary income

Voluntary income received by way of grants, donations and gifts is included in the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which it is received by or on behalf of the charity. Grant, where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.

Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received. Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when the income is recognised. Funds raised by the seasonal fairs, fundraising events and similar events are accounted for gross. Sales of items from the church bookstall are accounted for gross.

The charity received substantial amounts of voluntary help from its supporters, but no attempt is made to place a financial value on these services and they have not been included.

Grants receivable

Grants are credited to the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which they are receivable.

Other income

Rental income from the letting of the charity's premises is recognised when the rental is due.

Income from investments

Dividends and interest are accounted for when due and payable. Interest entitlements are accounted for as they accrue. Tax recoverable on such income is recognised in the same accounting period.

Gains and losses on investments

Realised gains or losses are recognised when investments are sold. Unrealised gains or losses are accounted

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1 Accounting policies (cont.)

for on revaluation of investments at 31st December.

Expenditure

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

Costs of raising funds
All expenses relating to fundraising, publicity, public relations and investment management charges are charged to this heading.

Charitable activities
Charitable activities comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both the costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

The Diocesan Parish Share is accounted for when payable. Any Parish Share unpaid at 31st December is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not legal) liability and is shown as a creditor in the balance Sheet.

Irrecoverable VAT
All resources expended are classified under activity headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the category of resources expended for which it was incurred

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Consecrated property and moveable church furnishings.
Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by section 10(2)(a) 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 accounted for as inalienable property unless consecrated. They are listed in the church's inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For inalienable property acquired prior to 2000 there is insufficient cost information available and, therefore, such assets are not valued in the accounts. Items acquired since 1st January 2000 have been capitalised and depreciated in the accounts over their currently anticipated useful economic life (initially over 20 years) on a straight line basis. All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or benefice buildings, whether maintenance or improvement, is written off as expenditure in the SOFA and separately disclosed.

Freehold land and property is not depreciated, as in the view of the PCC they are maintained to a sufficiently high standard which ensures that the market value of the properties is not less than the carrying value shown in the accounts.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment
All expenditure incurred during the year on individual items of equipment, fixtures and fittings with an original cost under £2000, are written off in the year in which the expenditure was incurred on the basis that due to the nature of the charity's activities, there is no expectation that the cost of the assets will be recovered in the way of future revenues.

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1 Accounting policies (cont'd.)

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life as follows:

Short leasehold land and buildings	-	Amortised over the period of the lease
Fixtures & fittings	-	20% on cost
ICT equipment, including computers	-	33.33% on cost
Motor vehicles	-	25% reducing balance

Investments

Investments are valued at market value at 31st December. The statement of financial activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluation and disposals throughout the year.

Current Assets

Amounts owing to the charity at 31st December in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less provision for amounts that may prove uncollectable.

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at the bank.

Contingent Liabilities and Provisions

In accordance with the SORP, a contingent liability is disclosed for those grants, which do not represent liabilities, where the possible obligation, which arises from past events, will only be confirmed by the occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the trustees' control. Provisions are recognised for those grants where there is uncertainty as to the timing or amount and any uncertainty regarding the amount is more than one of determining a basis for reasonable estimation of the liability arising from that constructive obligation.

Charitable status and taxation

As a registered charity, the charity benefits from rates' relief and is generally exempt from income tax and corporation tax. The charity is not registered for value added tax.

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2023 £
2 Donations and legacies						
Planned Giving:						
Tax Efficient Giving	11,590	0	11,590	9,665	0	9,665
Income Tax recoverable	4,578	0	4,578	3,470	0	3,470
Other planned giving	320	0	320	894	0	894
Collections (open plate) at all services	8,152	0	8,152	6,195	0	6,195
Donations	927	648	1,575	1,081	3,467	4,548
Legacies received	0	0	0	0	0	0
	<u>25,567</u>	<u>648</u>	<u>26,215</u>	<u>21,305</u>	<u>3,467</u>	<u>24,772</u>

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	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2023 £
3 Other trading activities						
Rent of premises	48,003	0	48,003	44,700	0	44,700
Café income	3,711	0	3,711	7,556	0	7,556
Fundraising income & activities	12,809	0	12,809	8,667	0	8,667
Wedding & funeral fees received	1,750	0	1,750	1,944	0	1,944
	<u>66,273</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>66,273</u>	<u>62,867</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>62,867</u>
4 Investments						
Dividends and interest (including any reclaimed tax)						
- on cash deposits	650	0	650	496		496
	<u>650</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>650</u>	<u>496</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>496</u>
5 Charitable Activities						
Bookstall	101	0	101	80	0	80
Grants	0	5,125	5,125	3,675	0	3,675
Chapter of the Transfiguration	0	500	500	0	0	0
Walsingham trip income	0	0	0	808	0	808
	<u>101</u>	<u>5,625</u>	<u>5,726</u>	<u>4,563</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>4,563</u>
6 Other income						
Sale of assets	0	0	0	0	0	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
7 Raising funds						
Fundraising costs	1,449	0	1,449	1,024	0	1,024
Café and catering costs	4,715	12	4,727	6,630	182	6,812
	<u>6,164</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>6,176</u>	<u>7,654</u>	<u>182</u>	<u>7,836</u>
8 Charitable Activities						
Missionary & charitable giving:						
Additional Curates' Society	64	236	300	27	573	600
Children's Society	0	382	382	0	377	377
Leprosy Mission	0	245	245	0	221	221
MacMillan Cancer Care	0	0	0	0	292	292
Walsingham Trust	40	0	40	40	0	40
World Vision	274	0	274	274	0	274
Sundry Donations	0	0	0	0	0	0
c/fwd	<u>378</u>	<u>863</u>	<u>1,241</u>	<u>341</u>	<u>1,463</u>	<u>1,804</u>

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	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2023 £
8 Charitable activities (continued)						
b/fwd	378	863	1,241	341	1,463	1,804
Ministry						
Diocesan parish share	24,638	0	24,638	24,576	0	24,576
Vicarage housing costs	3,022	0	3,022	2,883	0	2,883
Vicarage telephone	630	0	630	742	0	742
Vicar's expenses	284	0	284	13	0	13
Chapter of the Transfiguration	0	385	385	0	0	0
Church costs:						
Insurance	3,339	0	3,339	3,449	0	3,449
Heat and light	1,686	0	1,686	946	875	1,821
Rent and rates	478	0	478	421	0	421
Repairs and maintenance	5,244	0	5,244	719	0	719
Broadband	530	0	530	686	0	686
Community centre costs:						
Rent and rates	5,159	0	5,159	(238)	0	(238)
Heat and light	10,886	0	10,886	8,897	2,500	11,397
Repairs, maintenance & cleaning	5,982	0	5,982	5,131	890	6,021
Wages - Centre manager	25,422	1,000	26,422	14,209	2,015	16,224
Pension - Centre manger	715	0	715	281	0	281
Food Pantry	0	0	0	0	1,455	1,455
Organist's salary	2,250	0	2,250	2,050	0	2,050
Costs of services	2,234	0	2,234	1,651	357	2,008
Printing, postage & stationery	984	0	984	822	0	822
Equipment hire	729	0	729	1,344	0	1,344
Payroll & pension costs	626	0	626	953	0	953
Walsingham trip costs	301	3,701	4,002	960	0	960
Licences & subscriptions	154	0	154	292	0	292
Legal fees	0	1,000	1,000	0	0	0
Accountancy fee	600	0	600	1,488	0	1,488
Bank charges	167	0	167	157	0	157
Sundries	158	0	158	339	300	639
	<u>96,596</u>	<u>6,949</u>	<u>103,545</u>	<u>73,112</u>	<u>9,855</u>	<u>82,967</u>

9 Net incoming resources

Net incoming resources is stated after charging:
Staff costs (see note 10)

2024 £	2023 £
<u>29,387</u>	<u>18,555</u>

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	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and Salaries	28,672	18,274
Social Security Costs	0	0
Pension Costs	715	281
	<u>29,387</u>	<u>18,555</u>

The average number of full-time equivalent employees (including casual and part-time staff) employed by the charity during the year was as follows:

	2024	2023
Administration	0	0
Centre manager	1	1
Organist	1	1
	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>

During the year the charity employed members of staff as detailed above. None (2023: none) of whom earned more than £60,000 p.a. The trustees received £Nil remuneration (2023: £Nil) during the year. Trustees were reimbursed working expenses of £Nil (2023: £Nil) for the year. There were no other discloseable transactions in respect of trustees, persons closely connected with them or other related parties.

11 Tangible Fixed Assets

	Freehold land & buildings £	Fixtures, fittings & equipment £	Total £
COST OR VALUATION			
At 1st January 2024	550,925	12,440	563,365
Additions	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0
At 31st December 2024	<u>550,925</u>	<u>12,440</u>	<u>563,365</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1st January 2024	0	12,439	12,439
Additions	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0
At 31st December 2024	<u>0</u>	<u>12,439</u>	<u>12,439</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31st December 2024	<u>550,925</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>550,926</u>
At 31st December 2023	<u>550,925</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>550,926</u>

The freehold and leasehold buildings comprise the Community Centre located adjacent to the church. Equipment relates to various computers and a Flat Screen TV.

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12 Debtors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Income Tax recoverable	7,075	4,150
Prepayments and accrued income	225	0
	<u>7,300</u>	<u>4,150</u>

13 Liabilities: Amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trade creditors	0	0
Accruals and deferred income	3,048	2,978
Diocesan Loan	8,000	0
	<u>11,048</u>	<u>2,978</u>

14 Analysis of Net Assets by Fund

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total
	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	550,926	0	550,926
Current Assets	39,201	1,639	40,840
Current Liabilities	(11,048)	0	(11,048)
Liabilities after more than one year	0	0	0
Fund Balance	<u>579,079</u>	<u>1,639</u>	<u>580,718</u>

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15 Movement on funds

	At 1st January 2024	Incoming Resources (inc gains)	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	At 31st December 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
<u>Unrestricted funds</u>					
Capital Asset Fund	550,926	0	0	0	550,926
General Fund	38,322	92,591	102,760	0	28,153
Total unrestricted funds	<u>589,248</u>	<u>92,591</u>	<u>102,760</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>579,079</u>
<u>Restricted funds</u>					
Café Fund	2,012	0	2,012	0	0
Charity Funds	215	1,026	1,241	0	0
Loop Hearing System	100	0	0	0	100
Food Pantry Fund	0	4,307	4,307	0	0
Walsingham Youth Pilgrimage	0	4,125	3,701	0	424
Chapter of the Transfiguration	0	500	385	0	115
Mothers & Toddlers group	0	1,000	0	0	1,000
Total restricted funds	<u>2,327</u>	<u>10,958</u>	<u>11,646</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,639</u>
Total Funds	<u><u>591,575</u></u>	<u><u>103,549</u></u>	<u><u>114,406</u></u>	<u><u>0</u></u>	<u><u>580,718</u></u>

16 Fund Details

Details of the various funds held by the charity are as follows:

Name of fund**Description, nature and purposes of the fund**Unrestricted funds

Capital Asset Fund

This fund represents the net book value of fixed assets.

General Fund

Any monies not included in any other fund.

Restricted funds

Café Fund

This fund was for monies received towards the costs of running the café.

Charity Funds

This fund was set up (as and when required) to collect monies to be given to other charities.

Loop Hearing System

This fund was set up many years ago to provide for a new loop hearing system

Walsingham Youth Pilgrimage

This grant was received towards funding the youth pilgrimage to Walsingham

Chapter of the transfiguration

This fund is for monies received from the various churches within the Chapter towards costs incurred.

Mothers & Toddlers group

This grant was received towards funding the set-up costs of this group

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST. COLUMBA, ANFIELD**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024****17 Taxation**

As a charity, the Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St. Columba, Anfield is exempt from tax on income and gains to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects. No tax charges have arisen in the charity.

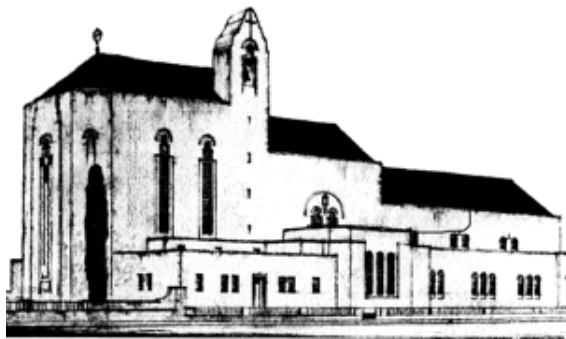
18 Contingent liabilities

The charity had no contingent liabilities at 31st December 2024 (2023: None).

19 Capital commitments

The charity had no capital commitments at 31st December 2024 (2023: None) either contracted for or authorised by the trustees but not contracted for.

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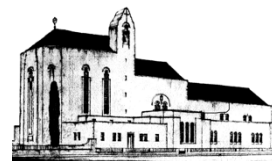
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Chairman's Report for the year ended 2023

Easter 2024

'You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' Acts 1.8

Dear Friends,

In the Easter season our readings come primarily from the New Testament, and the Acts of the Apostles in particular. The book of Acts details just that, the Acts of the early Church: her mission, her preaching, her faithfulness and her care for those in need.

My report for the year past, 2023, can, in many ways, be seen as something akin to the narrative of Acts, for it was been a year of many acts. Each year brings with it both challenges and opportunities, and at the end of 2022, a year of immense challenge, the possibility of fulfilling a longstanding goal, which had been hampered, started to take shape: Columba's Kitchen.

Our food pantry officially launched some four months later and has become a key element of our outreach into the community. The focus around food was not accidental, but deliberate. As Jesus commanded us to receive his own body, the bread of life, he calls us too to be bread for others. He puts it so: 'you yourself give them something to eat' (Mark 6.37). One of the greatest 'needs' of the parish is food poverty. We can all attest to the increase in the cost of living and this has affected many in our boundaries in adverse ways. Columba's Kitchen seeks to alleviate the pressure people are now experiencing by offering a provision which enables people to retain more of their money and at the same time, gives access to affordable food. Working very strongly with St Andrew's Community Network, Liverpool Football Club, but most of all Plus Dane Housing Association, we are now able to facilitate all aspects of social care – from debt advice, to financial advice to housing issues, our links and collaboration has been a real blessing to

this community. I am proud that the pantry, now fully operational and celebrating its first birthday, is succeeding in the marks of mission laid down by the Anglican Communion, in 'responding to human need by loving service' and 'seeking to transform unjust structures of society'. Without the dedication of the volunteers, this important provision could not operate. I am extremely grateful for their hard work.

This is but one act that the Lord has blessed in the course of this year. At Easter we were privileged to welcome the new Bishop of Liverpool before his enthronement, we were a parish chosen, due to our strong community links and connections, and the Bishop was impressed with our ministry.

As part of our ongoing commitment to good governance, it was decided that an away day be planned for the PCC. This took place in the summer and was facilitated by Fr Christopher Johnson, the Vicar of Horbury in the Diocese of Leeds. This was an opportunity to celebrate the many good elements of our parochial work and consider what might need to be implemented in the future. The PCC decided that sub-committees were needed to drive forward the work of the parish in the key areas of mission, children's work, fundraising and the premises. This is an ongoing project and the work is never done, but I would ask for your prayers for the PCC that they may continue to exercise good governance.

We were lucky in the latter half of the year to have substantial work completed on the building, both in the parish centre and in the church itself. Our community work being recognised, Frank Rogers, a local building firm, chose St Columba's to be one recipient of its charitable giving. This work saw the whole of the hall painted as well as the foyer area, this redecoration was much needed. Also, the back wall of the church, nearest the font was repaired and repainted which had needed attention for some considerable time. We are most grateful to Frank Rogers for their generosity towards us.

In ecclesial terms, after many years of negotiation and prayer, the deaneries of Liverpool North and Walton were amalgamated, making one larger deanery. We pray for a good working relationship moving forward. Other relationships have also been strengthened, particularly our cluster of parishes served by the Chapter of the Transfiguration – those clergy under the episcopal care of the Bishop of Beverley. This chapter seeks to resource all of its parishes to be more effective in prayer, evangelism, discipleship and service. We have hosted many events here at St Columba's and it was my privilege to take over as Dean of the Chapter and the Bishop of Beverley's representative in the Diocese in 2023 following the distinguished tenure of Fr Ray. Our partnership grows and is bearing fruit, please do pray for it moving forward and support its work.

The year ended with a need to continue to keep our foot on the gas, as it were. The Diocese reported the official ramifications of the pandemic and it did not make for comfortable reading. Across the Diocese we have collectively experienced ten years' worth of decline in two years. This is a staggering statistic. If the Diocese and the Church of England at large wishes to recover from this, then it is clear what must happen: our faithfulness must increase, church must become *the priority* rather than *a priority*.

The mission of the Church must be something to which we all, without exception, young and old, contribute. We have done much to serve and evangelise and to provide pathways to allow people to enter into our common life and experience the salvation won for us by Jesus Christ. But we must break the old habit of saying, 'that's not my job' – every parish church in the country has suffered and we must regain the ground that has been lost. This will only be achieved if we all pull together, as one, and proclaim the truth of the gospel with passion, we are indeed, to quote the book of Acts, 'his witnesses'. Witnesses speak of what they have seen and experienced. It is our primary task to share the good news of Jesus Christ so that others may experience his salvation, but also, so that we may flourish as a parish, grow, and be faithful to him. I must become more faithful. We must become more faithful. Only when we do, will our mission be effective and we will succeed in pointing people to Jesus.

May we do so in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Fr Daniel

The Parish of Saint Columba's is a well-established Christian community, located in the suburb of Anfield and Deanery of Liverpool North & Walton, within the Diocese of Liverpool.

Since the early incumbencies of Fr Norman Alcock and Fr James Howard Foy the parish has been firmly rooted in the Catholic tradition of the Church of England, and displays all its hallmarks both liturgically and doctrinally. The parish is led by Fr Daniel Howard, who was instituted as Vicar in February 2020. Fr Daniel is supported by two Churchwardens, Mr Jeff Brandwood and Mrs Irene Campbell, a retired priest, Fr Tom Allen, and a Reader, Mr Adrian Manson, who holds the Bishop's License.

AIMS & PURPOSES

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) of the Parish of St Columba, Anfield has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent, Fr Daniel Howard, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the Church of St Columba, Anfield.

OBJECTIVES & ACTIVITIES

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship in our church and to become part of our community. Our vision is detailed below (this is not an exhaustive list):

- To be a community of 'Missionary Disciples: Pointing people to Jesus'.
- To allow people to worship God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, through regular attendance at mass and other public worship, and through daily personal prayer.
- To nurture a strong, welcoming Christian community, whose values are underpinned by the teaching of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- For all members of our church to grow in their Christian discipleship – praying, reading and learning.
- To reach out to the local community.
- To engage with our local school.
- To make a bigger difference in this community – telling, serving and giving.

- To providing pastoral care through baptism, wedding and funeral ministry as well as the visitation of the sick and dying.
- To offer teaching to children and young people and providing opportunity for them to worship and become active followers of Christ.
- To deliver catechetical and formational programmes.
- To participate in the fellowship of the Transfiguration with our sister parishes under the care of the Bishop of Beverley.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

The Parochial Church Council is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2020), and is registered with the Charity Commission, number: 1129512 under the name 'The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St. Columba, Anfield'.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE & MANAGEMENT

The structure, governance and management of the parish is determined by the rules of the Church of England, in particular the Church Representation Rules 2020. This sets out the membership of the PCC, which consists of the incumbent (Vicar), other clergy licensed to the parish, and the reader (all *ex-officio*), together with the two churchwardens (elected at the Annual Meeting of Parishioners) and members of the laity elected to serve on the Deanery Synod or Parochial Church Council (both of which are elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting).

Governance of the parish is provided by the Vicar, Churchwardens and PCC, whilst day-to-day management is the responsibility of the Vicar, Churchwardens and Officers of the Parochial Church Council. Whether *ex-officio* or elected, together, all 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.

VICAR & CHAIRMAN:

Fr Daniel Howard SSC BA (Hons), M.St (Oxon)

HONORARY ASSISTANT PRIEST:

Fr Tom Allen

READER:

Mr Adrian Manson

CHURCHWARDENS:

Mr Jeffery Brandwood & Mrs Irene Campbell

DEANERY SYNOD REPRESENTATIVES:

Mr Adrian Manson, Mrs Irene Campbell & Mr James Williams.

STANDING COMMITTEE:

Fr Daniel Howard, Jeff Brandwood (Warden), Irene Campbell (Warden),
Adrian Manson (Secretary), Julie Holland (Treasurer).

The existence of the Standing Committee is required under the Church Representation Rules. It meets prior to PCC meetings to set the agenda for the meeting and transact delegated business.

The full membership list of the PCC is detailed below in the PCC report.

HEALTH & SAFETY OFFICER:

Mrs Jessica Howard

PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICERS:

Mrs Lynn Colgan & Mrs Jacqui Hale

ELECTORAL ROLL OFFICER:

Mrs Jacqui Hale

PARISH CENTRE MANAGER:

Mrs Sharon Oulton

STATUTORY REPORTS

REPORT ON THE ELECTORAL ROLL SINCE THE LAST APCM

Throughout the year we have maintained our register of names on the Electoral Roll, though sadly, since the last meeting we have suffered bereavement as a Church family, particularly through the loss of David Singleton. Church has seen a number of new parishioners arrive who are settling in nicely. This year we are adding Irene Vernon, Lorna Stanley, Anthony Blood, Chinelo Njemanze, Barathi Goriparthi and Anita McGowan to the roll, removing the recently departed, as detailed above. The total number on the roll therefore stands at 83, of whom 40 live within the parish and 43 live outside our boundaries.

Jacqui Hale
Electoral Roll Officer

Report on the Proceedings of the Parochial Church Council (2023)

1. The membership of the PCC since the last APCM on Sunday 21st May 2023 comprises of: Fr Daniel Howard (Vicar & PCC Chair); Mr Jeff Brandwood (Church Warden & PCC Vice Chair); Mrs Irene Campbell (Church Warden & Deanery Synod Representative); Miss Julie Holland (Treasurer); Fr Tommy Allen (Assistant Priest), Mr Adrian Manson (Reader, Secretary & Deanery Synod Representative); Mr James Williams (Deanery Synod Representative), Mrs Jessica Howard, Mrs Jacqui Hale; Mrs Joyce Jones, Mr Tony Oulton, Mrs Lynn Colgan, Mrs Lori Roberts, Mr Malcolm Dorr, Mrs Irene Taylor, Mrs Betty Doran and Mrs Sue Dowling.
2. The daily running of the parish was conducted by the Vicar. The PCC met on several occasions, including 26.02.23, 10.05.23, 27.06.23, 23.09.23 & 22.11.23. In addition to this, it met, as is required by the PCC representation rules immediately following the APCM for the year ended 2022 which took place on 21st May 2023.
3. In addition to the regular reports received at each meeting including updates and deanery developments, discussion has also taken place on the following:
 - **Safeguarding:** a safeguarding report can be seen below written jointly by the Vicar and the Parish Safeguarding Officers.
 - **Finance:** a financial report can be seen below written jointly by the Vicar and the treasurer, Miss Julie Holland.
 - **Services:** The Sunday Masses remain at 9.00 am and 10.30 am, however, there is a Family Mass twice a month at 4.00 pm.

At present, Mass is celebrated midweek on Tuesday at 7.00 pm, Wednesday at 10.00 am and Thursday at 12 noon. There are other seasonal services.

- **Support:** The Church recognises that it must serve its community, and we seek to imitate the example of Jesus who came not to be served, but to serve. We actively support the following causes: St Andrew's Community Network through the collection of food for those in local need; World Vision, supporting children in developing countries; Leprosy Mission; the Children's Society and the Additional Curates Society.
- **Church & Parish Centre Buildings:** please see the fabric and ornaments report compiled by the Churchwardens.
- **Columba's Café:** operates between Tuesday and Friday during the week. We continue to welcome new customers and old and relationships with parishioners are often established in this setting. We are grateful to a committed number of volunteers who assist the Parish Centre Manager with this form of outreach.
- **Parish Centre:** A warm relationship is enjoyed with Rosie & Jim's Nursery who have been tenants since 2019 and also, since 2022, United Response, a charity that supports adults with learning disabilities.
- **Church Growth:** the continuing impact of the pandemic has been keenly felt by churches locally and nationally, as reported by the Diocese at the end of 2023, but the PCC remains committed to growth and outreach.
- **Fellowship of the Transfiguration:** the parish has this year, become a member of the Fellowship of the Transfiguration, a fellowship of Anglo-Catholic parishes, already under the care of the Bishop of Beverley, that seeks to work collectively in the field of mission, evangelism and discipleship.

Adrian Manson
PCC Secretary

Safeguarding of Children and Vulnerable Adults

The safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults is a priority for St Columba's. We are continuing to create a culture of safeguarding where responsibility for the protection of children and vulnerable adults is shared by all. Full safeguarding requirements are implemented, including confidential declarations, fit and proper persons forms, code of safer working practice and DBS checks are completed for elected PCC members and those who are eligible due to their work. The Safer Recruitment Process is followed for those working directly with vulnerable adults and children. At the last APCM the PCC has adopted the House of Bishops Safeguarding Policy, and this, as well as the contact details for diocesan and local safeguarding advisors feature on the 'Promoting a Safer Church' poster located around the building. Training for those who undertake work with children, as well as for those in positions of leadership (PCC) is ongoing.

Fr Daniel Howard, Jacqui Hale & Lynn Colgan
Safeguarding Team

Financial Report of the Parochial Church Council

For the last two years we noted that financially the parish was 'stable' rather than 'secure'. This remains the case at end of 2023. This is in large part due to the astronomical increases in the cost of living and utilities in particular. At the onset of the increases there was substantial concern about how we were to meet the increased costs. The standing committee has noted in recent months that a giving review will be required in the near future in an attempt to move us from 'stable' to 'secure'. Given that the cost-of-living crisis shows no sign of abating, it will be necessary to conduct a stewardship review in the very near future as the parish cannot continue to meet the current levels of expense, based on the current rate of giving. As every provider and organization has increased costs, the costs of everything at St Columba's has increased, and we must all prayerfully consider our response. We thank all for their generosity and financial commitment to our parish, its mission and ministry, without which we couldn't operate.

Fr Daniel Howard & Julie Holland

The Accounts and Independent Examiner's Report can be found in the pages following these reports, and are to be read in conjunction with these statements.

Report on the Fabric, Goods and Ornaments of the Churches of the Parish Church & Community Centre

The overall stewardship of the 'Fabric, Goods and Ornaments' is an ongoing task undertaken by the Churchwardens year by year. This Fabric, Goods and Ornaments report is the process by which the Church of England oversees and ensures good management of all the Church physical assets. In 2023 the following works have been completed or undertaken:

- The smoke detectors, fitted into the ceilings around the parish centre have been tested on a six-monthly basis and found to be working correctly, likewise the fire alarm for the parish centre is tested and is in good working order.
- The Church heaters were all serviced in May 2023 and found to be in good working order.
- The lift in the foyer, leading to the first floor of the parish centre has been fully maintained and the necessary repairs undertaken.
- The lift in the parish centre has been inspected professionally every six months and is compliant with the LOLER regulations.
- The gutters were cleared on the Church roof and as far as possible along the roof of the hall to ensure that water could pass through easily and drain through the pipes.
- The fire extinguishers were serviced/replaced as necessary to ensure compliance.
- The heating system located in the boiler room adjacent to the Bishop James room (which serves the whole parish centre) was serviced and found to be in good working order.
- The necessary gas certificates were obtained for the parish centre and nursery.
- Essential plumbing and minor electrical work has been completed across the parish centre to enable the smooth running of operations.
- Thanks to the generosity of Frank Rogers Ltd, the hall and foyer have been redecorated, the back wall of the church (at height) has been repaired and repainted and new galvanized steel doors have been fitted on an exact like for like basis after falling into significant disrepair. The timber within the shutters which protect the main entrance doors has also been replaced.

- High level vegetation has been removed from the bell cote.
- As is detailed in the latest Quinquennial Report in 2019, we recognise that other essential work, namely the plaster erosion in Church, the need for a new roof and vast internal decoration. These remain priorities that will be undertaken as soon as finances allow.

Jeff Brandwood & Irene Campbell
Churchwardens

Report on the Proceedings of the Deanery Synod

In January 2023 the Deaneries of Walton and Liverpool North merged together. Since this legal change, the Synod has met multiple times and relationships are beginning to form across these new communities. New officers are due to be elected with equal representation.

Adrian Manson
Deanery Synod Representative

NON-STATUTORY REPORTS

Discipleship

The former Archbishop of Canterbury, Rowan Williams, once said that 'discipleship is a state of being... discipleship is how we live'. This accurately sums up what we have striven to do over the course of this last year. As in years past, we have provided the resources and space for the full living out of the Christian life on both a personal and communal level. How has this been achieved? Primarily, though not exclusively through catechesis. Catechesis, that is the teaching of the faith allows disciples to become more immersed in the faith that they profess. To this end we have hosted or facilitated teaching on the Christian life. This includes *Rites of Salvation* exploring the theology and rites of Holy Week, *The Brighter Course*, exploring the ways in which we can evangelise, as well as our continued journey along, *The Way*. These endeavours have produced fruit personally and collectively across the Parishes of the Transfiguration. This work continues day by day through our commitment to prayer and worship, through service and through dedicated times in Lent and Advent for a deepening of the faith we have received. Discipleship is at the heart of what we do and how we live.

Food Pantry – Columba's Kitchen

As I have mentioned in my opening report, 2023 could aptly be described as a year of service. From its inception service has always been our priority along with our partners at Liverpool Football Club, St Andrew's Community Network and Plus Dane. Since opening in April 2023 we have seen many people supported and helped and we know, based on personal testimony, that access to reasonably priced food has been a lifeline, particularly amongst local families. The continued spiraling of everyday costs and utilities has meant that the essentials, such as food and toiletries have also risen in price. Our provision has been gratefully received – not least as we have also enabled other support services to be accessed through our links. Our work was recognized nationally as an example of good practice and I was privileged to share our work with a large group of bishops and priests in Walsingham in November. In an address by the Bishop of Fulham in response to my presentation, it was recognized that St Columba's was indeed living out the reality of the Kingdom of God and connecting with Jesus' calling to serve and not be served, caring for those most in need. We give thanks to God for this work and ask his blessing as we move into our second year.

Fr Daniel Howard

Family Mass

It is hard to believe that 2023 saw the first anniversary of our family mass, Columba's Communion. As I outlined above, the press and the local and national church have all reported the same news since the pandemic, the loss of children and families, the overall decrease in volunteers and a sharp decline in attendance. This new avenue of worship was designed with these things in mind with the specific focus on how to connect or reconnect with the missing generations. We have done this successfully and now have a regular congregation at 4.00 pm on Sunday afternoons. Sunday Mass, whatever time of day, is always a celebration of the Lord's resurrection, and whilst arguments have been made to hold this liturgy at other times, I feel strongly that we cannot substitute the Lord's Day. Moving forward and gaining new members is something that we have striven to do this last year, and we have regularly invited baptism families and pantry families to this celebration. We continue to explore how else local people connect with this family friendly worship and join in our common life in an increasingly secular age. Please pray that the Lord would bless this venture with growth.

Fr Daniel Howard

Columba's Crew

We have seen a number of new children join our ranks over the course of the year. Columba's Crew, meets most Sunday in the hall after the children have gathered in church and the liturgy has begun. The children follow a pattern that mirrors the Mass with their own penitential rite, liturgy of the word and teaching before heading back into church for the eucharistic prayer. Welcome is a key part of our mission and we are always eager for new people to join us and begin their journey of faith. We're sure you will have relatives or friends with children, why not invite them along and encourage them to come! It is well known that children are described as the future of the church, that is true, but they are also the present – who can you bring along?

Jessica Howard

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Trustees' Report for the year ended 31st December 2023

Financial Review

Results for the year

The results for the year are set out on page 19.

The PCC has implemented the Parish Giving Scheme as a means of securing a regular, tax efficient revenue stream.

Reserves policy

The Church has one employee, a Parish Centre Manager. Our aim is to have sufficient funds to cover redundancy should this occur. In addition, the PCC aim to have an amount equal to six months worth of unrestricted expenditure in reserve. At 31st December 2023, these items would amount to a total of approximately £48,500 (2022: £47,000).

The actual free reserves at 31st December 2023 were £38,322 (2022: £33,532). In calculating reserves, the trustees have excluded from total funds restricted income funds (£2,327) and tangible fixed assets (£550,926). The trustees will continue to monitor the situation.

Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of its surplus or deficit for that year. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable Accounting Standards and Statements of Recommended Practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report was approved by the Board of Trustees on 9th May 2024 and signed on its behalf by:



Fr Daniel Howard
Chairman

**The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of
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**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St. Columba, Anfield**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2023 which are set out on pages 19 to 28.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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

In connection with 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 Trust as required by section 130 of the Act: or
2. the accounts do not accord with the accounting 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 order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mr P J Collins FCA
Collins & Co
Chartered Accountants
Suite 13 Hattersley House
1 Hattersley Court
Ormskirk
L39 2AY
9th May 2024

**The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of
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**Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31st December 2023**

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL FUNDS	
	Note	£	£	2023 £	2022 £
INCOME FROM:					
Donations and legacies	2	21,305	3,467	24,772	24,583
Other trading activities	3	62,867	0	62,867	57,513
Investments	4	496	0	496	40
Charitable activities	5	888	3,675	4,563	4,694
Other income	6	0	0	0	0
TOTAL INCOME		<u>85,556</u>	<u>7,142</u>	<u>92,698</u>	<u>86,830</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Raising funds	7	7,654	182	7,836	5,361
Charitable activities	8	73,112	9,855	82,967	81,052
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		<u>80,766</u>	<u>10,037</u>	<u>90,803</u>	<u>86,413</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		4,790	(2,895)	1,895	417
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS		0	0	0	0
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		<u>4,790</u>	<u>(2,895)</u>	<u>1,895</u>	<u>417</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward at 1st January 2023		584,458	5,222	589,680	589,263
Total funds carried forward at 31st December 2023		<u>589,248</u>	<u>2,327</u>	<u>591,575</u>	<u>589,680</u>

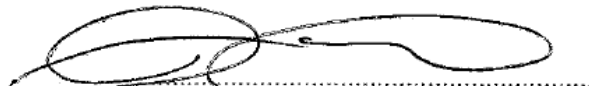
The notes on pages 21 to 28 form part of these accounts.

**The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of
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Balance Sheet at 31st December 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	11	550,926	550,926
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	12	4,150	4,826
Cash at bank and in hand		39,477	36,520
Total current assets		43,627	41,346
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	13	2,978	2,592
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>40,649</u>	<u>38,754</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		591,575	589,680
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR		0	0
TOTAL NET ASSETS		<u>591,575</u>	<u>589,680</u>
THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY	15		
Unrestricted funds		589,248	584,458
Restricted funds		2,327	5,222
Total charity funds		<u>591,575</u>	<u>589,680</u>

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 9th May 2024 and signed on its behalf by:


Fr Daniel Howard


Miss Julie Holland

The notes on pages 21 to 28 form part of these accounts.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31st December 2023**

1 Accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the valuation of investment assets, which are shown at market value. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations together with applicable accounting standards and the with the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2015 FRS 102).

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

Funds

General funds represent the funds of the Parochial Church Council ("charity") that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the charity. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the trustees are also unrestricted.

Restricted funds are funds subject to specific conditions imposed by the donors or through the terms of an appeal.

Transfers of funds are made to recognise the release of restricted funds or to meet expenditure not covered by restricted income.

Income:

Donations, legacies and other voluntary income

Voluntary income received by way of grants, donations and gifts is included in the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which it is received by or on behalf of the charity. Grants, where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.

Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received. Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when the income is recognised. Funds raised by the seasonal fairs, fundraising events and similar events are accounted for gross. Sales of books and magazines from the church bookstall are accounted for gross.

The charity received substantial amounts of voluntary help from its supporters, but no attempt is made to place a financial value on these services and they have not been included.

Grants receivable

Grants are credited to the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which they are receivable.

Other income

Rental income from the letting of the charity's premises is recognised when the rental is due.

Income from investments

Dividends and interest are accounted for when due and payable. Interest entitlements are accounted for as they accrue. Tax recoverable on such income is recognised in the same accounting period.

Gains and losses on investments

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

**The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of
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**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31st December 2023 (continued)**

1 Accounting policies (cont.)

Expenditure

Grants

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

Costs of raising funds.

All expenses relating to fundraising, publicity, public relations and investment management charges are charged to this heading.

Charitable activities

Charitable activities comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both the costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

The Diocesan Parish Share is accounted for when payable. Any Parish Share unpaid at 31st December is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not legal) liability and is shown as a creditor in the Balance Sheet.

Irrecoverable VAT

All resources expended are classified under activity headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the category of resources expended for which it was incurred.

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Consecrated property and movable church furnishings

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by section 10(2)(a) 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 accounted for as inalienable property unless consecrated. They are listed in the church's Inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For inalienable property acquired prior to 2000 there is insufficient cost information available and, therefore, such assets are not valued in the accounts. Items acquired since 1st January 2000 have been capitalised and depreciated in the accounts over their currently anticipated useful economic life (initially over 20 years) on a straight line basis. All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or benefice buildings, whether maintenance or improvement, is written off as expenditure in the SOFA and separately disclosed.

Freehold land and property is not depreciated, as in the view of the PCC they are maintained to a sufficiently high standard which ensures that the market value of the properties is not less than the carrying value shown in the accounts.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

All expenditure incurred during the year on individual items of equipment, fixtures and fittings with an original cost under £2000, are written off in the year in which the expenditure was incurred on the basis that due to the nature of the charity's activities, there is no expectation that the cost of the assets will be recovered in the way of future revenues.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31st December 2023 (continued)**

1 Accounting policies (cont.)

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Short leasehold land and buildings	-	Amortised over the period of the lease
Fixture & fittings	-	20% on cost
ICT equipment, including computers	-	33.33% on cost
Motor vehicles	-	25% reducing balance

Investments

Investments are valued at market value at 31st December. The statement of financial activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluation and disposals throughout the year.

Current Assets

Amounts owing to the charity at 31st December in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less provision for amounts that may prove uncollectible.

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at the bank.

Contingent Liabilities and Provisions

In accordance with the SORP, a contingent liability is disclosed for those grants, which do not represent liabilities, where the possible obligation, which arises from past events, will only be confirmed by the occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the trustees' control. Provisions are recognised for those grants where there is uncertainty as to the timing or amount, and any uncertainty regarding the amount is more than one of determining a basis for reasonable estimation of the liability arising from that constructive obligation.

Charitable status and taxation

As a registered charity, the charity benefits from rates' relief and is generally exempt from income tax and corporation tax. The charity is not registered for value added tax.

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2022 £
2 Donations and legacies						
Planned Giving:						
Tax Efficient Giving	9,665	0	9,665	10,560	0	10,560
Income Tax recoverable	3,470	0	3,470	4,217	0	4,217
Other planned giving	894	0	894	760	0	760
Collections (open plate) at all services	6,195		6,195	6,340	496	6,836
Donations	1,081	3,467	4,548	1,520	690	2,210
Legacies received	0	0	0	0	0	0
	<u>21,305</u>	<u>3,467</u>	<u>24,772</u>	<u>23,397</u>	<u>1,186</u>	<u>24,583</u>
3 Other trading activities						
Rent of premises	44,700	0	44,700	35,050	0	35,050
Café Income	7,556	0	7,556	7,155	0	7,155
Fundraising Income and activities	8,667	0	8,667	13,433	0	13,433
Wedding and funeral fees received	1,944	0	1,944	1,875	0	1,875
	<u>62,867</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>62,867</u>	<u>57,513</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>57,513</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31st December 2023 (continued)**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2022 £
4 Investments						
Dividends and interest (including any reclaimed tax):						
- on cash deposits	496	0	496	40	0	40
	<u>496</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>496</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>40</u>
5 Charitable activities						
Bookstall	80	0	80	94	0	94
Grants	0	3,675	3,675	0	4,600	4,600
Walsingham trip income	808	0	808	0	0	0
	<u>888</u>	<u>3,675</u>	<u>4,563</u>	<u>94</u>	<u>4,600</u>	<u>4,694</u>
6 Other income						
Sale of assets	0	0	0	0	0	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
7 Raising funds						
Fundraising Costs and activities	1,024	0	1,024	1,321	250	1,571
Cafe and catering costs	6,630	182	6,812	3,725	65	3,790
	<u>7,654</u>	<u>182</u>	<u>7,836</u>	<u>5,046</u>	<u>315</u>	<u>5,361</u>
8 Charitable activities						
Missionary & charitable giving:						
Additional Curates' Society	27	573	600	0	0	0
Children's Society	0	377	377	0	162	162
Leprosy Mission	0	221	221	0	110	110
MacMillan Cancer Care	0	292	292	0	0	0
Walsingham Trust	40	0	40	40	0	40
World Vision	274	0	274	274	0	274
Sundry Donations	0	0	0	500	100	600
c/fwd	<u>341</u>	<u>1,463</u>	<u>1,804</u>	<u>814</u>	<u>372</u>	<u>1,186</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31st December 2023 (continued)**

		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2022 £
8 Charitable activities	Continued b/fwd	341	1,463	1,804	814	372	1,186
Ministry:							
Diocesan parish share		24,576	0	24,576	20,835	0	20,835
Vicarage housing costs		2,883	0	2,883	2,646	0	2,646
Vicarage telephone		742	0	742	726	0	726
Vicar's expenses		13	0	13	0	0	0
Church costs:							
Insurance		3,449	0	3,449	3,586	0	3,586
Heat and light		946	875	1,821	19	2,000	2,019
Rent and rates		421	0	421	332	0	332
Repairs and maintenance		719	0	719	2,422	0	2,422
Telephone & broadband		686	0	686	619	0	619
Community Centre costs:							
Rent and rates		(238)	0	(238)	2,389	0	2,389
Heat and light		8,897	2,500	11,397	12,172	600	12,772
Repairs, maintenance & cleaning		5,131	890	6,021	5,480	0	5,480
Wages - Centre manager		14,209	2,015	16,224	12,321	2,158	14,479
Pension - Centre manager		281	0	281	272	0	272
Food Pantry		0	1,455	1,455	0	2,000	2,000
Organist's salary		2,050	0	2,050	2,050	0	2,050
Costs of services		1,651	357	2,008	2,424	120	2,544
Printing, postage and stationery		822	0	822	811	0	811
Hire of Equipment		1,344	0	1,344	1,008	0	1,008
Payroll, pension & grant claim costs		953	0	953	716	0	716
Walsingham trip costs		0	0	0	0	0	0
Walsingham Festival costs		960	0	960	0	0	0
Licences & Subscriptions		292	0	292	269	0	269
Accountancy and independent examination		1,488	0	1,488	1,392	0	1,392
Sundries		496	300	796	499	0	499
		<u>73,112</u>	<u>9,855</u>	<u>82,967</u>	<u>73,802</u>	<u>7,250</u>	<u>81,052</u>

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9 Net incoming resources	2023 £	2022 £
Net incoming resources is stated after charging:		
Staff costs (see note 10)	18,555	16,801

10 Staff Costs	2023 £	2022 £
Wages and Salaries	18,274	16,529
Social Security Costs	0	0
Pension Costs	281	272
	<u>18,555</u>	<u>16,801</u>

The average number of full-time equivalent employees (including casual and part-time staff) employed by the charity during the year was as follows:

	2023	2022
Administration	0	0
Centre manager	1	1
Organist	0	0
	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

During the year the charity employed members of staff as detailed above. None (2022: None) of whom earned more than £60,000 p.a. The trustees received £Nil remuneration (2022: £Nil) during the year. Trustees were reimbursed working expenses of £Nil (2022: £Nil) for the year. There were no other discloseable transactions in respect of trustees, persons closely connected with them or other related parties.

11 Tangible Fixed Assets

	Freehold land & buildings £	Fixtures, fittings & equipment £	Total £
COST OR VALUATION			
At 1st January 2023	550,925	12,440	563,365
Additions	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0
At 31st December 2023	<u>550,925</u>	<u>12,440</u>	<u>563,365</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1st January 2023	0	12,439	12,439
Charge for the year	0	0	0
Depreciation on disposals	0	0	0
At 31st December 2023	<u>0</u>	<u>12,439</u>	<u>12,439</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31st December 2023	<u>550,925</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>550,926</u>
At 31st December, 2022	<u>550,925</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>550,926</u>

The freehold and leasehold buildings comprises the Community Centre located adjacent to the church. Equipment relates to various computers and a Flat Screen TV

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12 Debtors	2023	2022
	£	£
Income Tax recoverable	4,150	4,826
Prepayments and accrued income	0	0
	<u>4,150</u>	<u>4,826</u>

13 Liabilities: Amounts falling due within one year	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade creditors	0	0
Accruals and deferred income	2,978	2,592
	<u>2,978</u>	<u>2,592</u>

14 Analysis of Net Assets by Fund	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total
	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	550,926	0	550,926
Current Assets	41,300	2,327	43,627
Current Liabilities	(2,978)	0	(2,978)
Liabilities after more than one year	0	0	0
Fund Balance	<u>589,248</u>	<u>2,327</u>	<u>591,575</u>

15 Movement on funds	At 1st January 2023	Incoming Resources (inc. gains)	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	At 31st December 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
<u>Unrestricted funds</u>					
Capital Asset Fund	550,926	0	0	0	550,926
General fund	33,532	85,556	80,766	0	38,322
Total unrestricted funds	<u>584,458</u>	<u>85,556</u>	<u>80,766</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>589,248</u>
<u>Restricted funds</u>					
Café Fund	4,209	0	2,197	0	2,012
Charity Funds	556	1,122	1,463	0	215
Coronation Party Fund	0	300	300	0	0
Loop Hearing System	100	0	0	0	100
Food Pantry Fund	0	1,455	1,455	0	0
School Mass Fund	357	0	357	0	0
Heating Costs	0	3,375	3,375	0	0
Repair Fund	0	890	890	0	0
Total restricted funds	<u>5,222</u>	<u>7,142</u>	<u>10,037</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,327</u>
Total funds	<u>589,680</u>	<u>92,698</u>	<u>90,803</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>591,575</u>

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16 Fund Details

Details of the various funds held by the charity are as follows:

Name of fund	Description, nature and purposes of the fund
<u>Unrestricted funds</u>	
Capital Asset Fund	This fund represents the net book value of fixed assets.
General fund	Any monies not included in any other fund.
<u>Restricted funds</u>	
Café Fund	This fund was for monies received towards the costs of running the cafe.
Charity Funds	This fund was set up (as and when required) to collect monies to be given to other Charities.
Coronation Party Fund	These were funds received towards the running costs of the event.
Loop Hearing System	This fund was set up many years ago to provide for a new loop hearing sound
Food Pantry Fund	This fund was a grant received towards the work in the food pantry/cafe.
School Mass Fund	This grant was received towards the costs of setting up resources to work in schools.
Heating Costs	This fund was set up to receive monies towards the heating costs of the church and centre towards the costs of the activities.
Repair Fund	This fund was set up to receive monies towards the repair costs of the centre.

17 Taxation

As a charity, the The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St. Columba, Anfield is exempt from tax on income and gains to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects. No tax charges have arisen in the Charity.

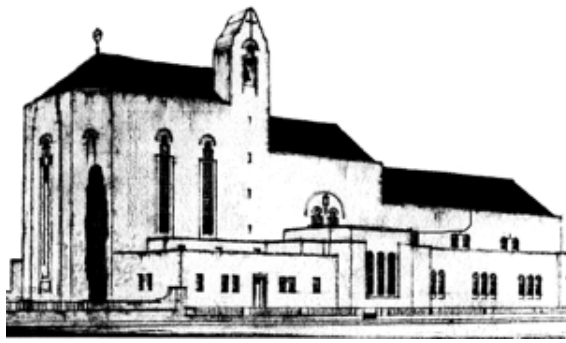
18 Contingent liabilities

The charity had no contingent liabilities at 31st December 2023 (2022: None).

19 Capital commitments

The charity had no capital commitments at 31st December 2023 (2022: None) either contracted for or authorised by the trustees but not contracted for.

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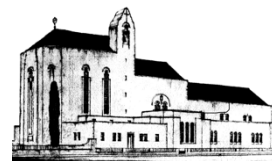
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'MISSIONARY DISCIPLES:
POINTING PEOPLE TO JESUS'



THE VICAR

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Chairman's Report for the year ended 2022

Easter 2023

Dear Friends,

'The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end, they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.'

Lamentations 3. 22-23

Dear Friends,

The Lord is faithful and the Lord's love never ceases. That is the conclusion reached by the author of the book of Lamentations in the Old Testament. The poems contained in the biblical text speak directly into the situation of the people of Israel in a time of terrible turmoil. The temple had been destroyed, their collective way of life had changed, and many experienced exile.

On reflecting back over the course of the last year, it's easy to see why I've begun my report with those words. In the first part of the year society at large was still feeling the shocking after-effects of the pandemic; and the church in particular, it has been reported, has faced serious difficulties particularly on the subject of attendance. The latest professional research published by the Evangelical Alliance (Changing Church, 2021) indicates that Sunday attendance has lapsed, affecting 'the worshipping activities of Church of England'. Members are now worshipping less frequently, often on a 'fortnightly or monthly basis', others, some 13%, 'are no longer attending the church they attended before the pandemic'. This data paints 'a picture of what is happening across the UK Church'. We know these statements to be true by simply looking at our own context – that is the blunt and indeed uncomfortable reality.

It is fair to say that at the beginning of 2022 I was fearful for the future. The pandemic has hit Saint Columba's hard, that must be acknowledged. The parish is a very different place now that where it was at the beginning of my incumbency

in 2020, just three weeks before the pandemic begun. But, through the active encouragement of others, I was told to trust in God's faithfulness. Yes, there was much to lament, we have lost some members, others now worship very infrequently, but there is great cause for rejoicing for we have not been paralyzed by this new reality, but are meeting the challenges head on.

Like those who lamented over the loss of the temple, like those who went into exile, like those who experienced collective change to their way of life, it is right that we lament our losses and the trail of devastation that Covid left in its wake. But we should not think that this is end of the story. For, as we have discovered, 'the steadfast love of the Lord' is in fact 'renewed every morning', and his faithfulness is indeed 'great'.

How is this so? I am convinced that in the light of the precarious situation in which we found ourselves, we have worked hard to combat some of the trends affecting the whole of the Church of England and we have done this by investment in people. Our attendance is slowly increasing and we now have specific provision for families and children. The report quoted above noted that 24% of churches struggled to offer specific ministry to children as restrictions were lifted, partly due to a 60% drop in volunteering. We have bucked the trend in this regard. We were able to retain our volunteers and indeed recruit new ones to assist in every area of our parish life, but particularly in the field of outreach, mission and ministry to the 'missing generations'. In the summer of 2022 Columba's Crew was launched; our Sunday School has been completely rebranded, a new format, following the gathering, penitential, biblical and catechetical format of the Mass was implemented for our children, so they had their own gathering, prayers and reading, corresponding to what was going on in church. As has become our custom, we now listen to their input every Sunday and rejoice that they are growing in faith. We are always attempting to grow this provision by writing to baptism families and enquirers inviting them personally to come along and join us. The purpose of the 'crew's is to set sail with Columba on the journey of faith and encounter Jesus.

Likewise, for older children there has also been significant investment. Following regional meetings with clergy serving similar parishes, the notion of a Family Mass emerged. After consultation with existing members of the congregation, 4.00 pm on Sundays, twice per month, was agreed. This offering has not only attracted children back to worship of a Sunday, the day of resurrection, but is designed specifically for them. As with Columba's Crew, a fuller report can be read below.

As we launched these new avenues of worship for in July we also celebrated ninety years of ministry to the parish and wider area. The Rt Rev'd Albert Augustus David, the third Bishop of Liverpool consecrated the building on 16th

July 1932, and on 17th July 2022, Bishop Philip North of Burnley celebrated the consistent and vibrant witness to the catholic faith the parish has offered since its foundation. The parish archives record that back in 1932 there were protests from Protestants about the Anglo-Catholic nature of the new church. We gave thanks in July that that ministry, and that absolute reliance on the eucharistic sacrifice continues, day by day and has sustained so many over the years.

In August, on feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord, the Fellowship of the Transfiguration was formed. Whilst I belong to the Transfiguration clergy chapter, there was always been a desire for the Anglo-Catholic parishes in the diocese under the care of the Bishop of Beverley to work more closely together in the field of mission, evangelism, formation and discipleship. This desire became a reality and the parishes have united in an informal partnership designed meeting those key needs of discipleship in order that faith and missionary impetus may grow.

In addition to the work with families and children, it has always been my desire, one I expressed in interview, to begin a food pantry. Food is an essential element of every day life, but for many, this essential has become an unaffordable luxury and thus people are being deprived of the basic necessities of life, having to make choices between eating and keeping warm, as well dealing with other issues that can all add to the difficulty of life. Columba's Kitchen is now in the process of being opened, after many false starts outside of our control, this is an exciting collaborative effort with Plus Dane Housing, St Andrew's Community Network and Liverpool Football Club, a full report can be found below. Bishop Philip reminded us at the anniversary celebrations that if we serve wholeheartedly and proclaim the good news of salvation in Jesus Christ, then the church will grow and people will receive life in all its fullness.

God's faithfulness in calling people to himself, through our new modes of worship and the possibility of sharing the gospel in service has been apparent. Whilst there is much work to do, the work of steady, faithful ministry continues in so many quarters. As God is faithful, we must be faithful in return in our prayer, in our discipleship, in our Sunday attendance and in our service. I turn again, as have in the over the course of the last two years, back to Yves Congar, the great French theologian: 'if the Church boldly throws herself open to lay activity, she will experience such as springtime as we cannot imagine'. Let us pledge to be faithful as he is faithful and truly live out the call to be Missionary Disciples who point people to Jesus'.

Fr Daniel

The Parish of Saint Columba's is a well-established Christian community, located in the suburb of Anfield and Deanery of Walton, within the Diocese of Liverpool.

Since the early incumbencies of Fr Norman Alcock and Fr James Howard Foy the parish has been firmly rooted in the Catholic tradition of the Church of England, and displays all its hallmarks both liturgically and doctrinally. The parish is led by Fr Daniel Howard, who was instituted as Vicar in February 2020. Fr Daniel is supported by two Churchwardens, Mr Jeff Brandwood and Mrs Irene Campbell, and a Reader, Mr Adrian Manson, who holds the Bishop's License.

AIMS & PURPOSES

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) of the Parish of St Columba, Anfield has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent, Fr Daniel Howard, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the Church of St Columba, Anfield.

OBJECTIVES & ACTIVITIES

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship in our church and to become part of our community. Our vision is detailed below (this is not an exhaustive list):

- To be a community of 'Missionary Disciples: Pointing people to Jesus'.
- To allow people to worship God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, through regular attendance at mass and other public worship, and through daily personal prayer.
- To nurture a strong, welcoming Christian community, whose values are underpinned by the teaching of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- For all members of our church to grow in their Christian discipleship – praying, reading and learning.
- To reach out to the local community.
- To engage with our local school.
- To make a bigger difference in this community – telling, serving and giving.
- To providing pastoral care through baptism, wedding and funeral ministry as well as the visitation of the sick and dying.

- To offering teaching to children and young people and providing opportunity for them to worship and become active followers of Christ.
- To deliver catechetical and formational programmes.
- To participate in the fellowship of the Transfiguration with our sister parishes under the care of the Bishop of Beverley.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

The Parochial Church Council is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2020), and is registered with the Charity Commission, number: 1129512 under the name 'The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St. Columba, Anfield'.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE & MANAGEMENT

The structure, governance and management of the parish is determined by the rules of the Church of England, in particular the Church Representation Rules 2020. This sets out the membership of the PCC, which consists of the incumbent (Vicar), other clergy licensed to the parish, and the reader (all *ex-officio*), together with the two churchwardens (elected at the Annual Meeting of Parishioners) and members of the laity elected to serve on the Deanery Synod or Parochial Church Council (both of which are elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting).

Governance of the parish is provided by the Vicar, Churchwardens and PCC, whilst day-to-day management is the responsibility of the Vicar, Churchwardens and Officers of the Parochial Church Council. Whether *ex-officio* or elected, together, all 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.

VICAR & CHAIRMAN:

Fr Daniel Howard SSC BA (Hons), M.St (Oxon)

HONORARY ASSISTANT PRIEST:

Fr Tom Allen

READER:

Mr Adrian Manson

CHURCHWARDENS:

Mr Jeffery Brandwood & Mrs Irene Campbell

DEANERY SYNOD REPRESENTATIVES:

Mr Adrian Manson, Mrs Irene Campbell & Mrs Jessica Howard

STANDING COMMITTEE:

Fr Daniel Howard, Jeff Brandwood (Warden), Irene Campbell (Warden),
Adrian Manson (Secretary), Julie Holland (Treasurer).

The existence of the Standing Committee is required under the Church Representation Rules. It meets prior to PCC meetings to set the agenda for the meeting and transact delegated business.

The full membership list of the PCC is detailed below in the PCC report.

HEALTH & SAFETY OFFICER:

Mrs Carolyn Swash

PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICERS:

Mrs Dawn Mercer & Mrs Jacqui Hale

ELECTORAL ROLL OFFICER:

Mrs Jacqui Hale

PARISH CENTRE MANAGER:

Mrs Sharon Oulton

STATUTORY REPORTS

REPORT ON THE ELECTORAL ROLL SINCE THE LAST APCM

Throughout the year we have maintained our register of names on the Electoral Roll, though sadly, since the last meeting we have suffered bereavement as a Church family, particularly through the loss of Faye Rimmer and Lynda Tyrer. The church has seen a number of new parishioners arrive who are settling in nicely. This year we are adding James Williams to the Roll and removing the recently departed, as detailed above, and also, on account of relocation: Patricia Watterson and Rebecca Livemore. The total number on the roll therefore stands at 78, of whom 36 live within the parish and 42 live outside our boundaries.

Jacqui Hale
Electoral Roll Officer

Report on the Proceedings of the Parochial Church Council (2022)

1. The membership of the PCC since the last APCM on Saturday 28th May 2022 comprises of: Fr Daniel Howard (Vicar & PCC Chair); Mr Jeff Brandwood (Church Warden & PCC Vice Chair); Mrs Irene Campbell (Church Warden & Deanery Synod Representative); Miss Julie Holland (Treasurer); Fr Tommy Allen (Assistant Priest), Mr Adrian Manson (Reader, Secretary & Deanery Synod Representative); Mrs Jessica Howard (Deanery Synod Representative); Mrs Jacqui Hale; Mrs Joyce Jones, Mrs Lynn Colgan, Mrs Lori Roberts, Mr Malcolm Dorr, Mrs Irene Taylor, Mrs Betty Doran and Mrs Sue Dowling.
2. The daily running of the parish was conducted by the Vicar. The PCC met on several occasions, including 20.01.22, 13.02.22, 24.03.22, 10.05.22, 05.07.22, 29.09.22, 09.11.22, 27.11.22 and 06.12.22. In addition to this, it met, as is required by the PCC representation rules immediately following the APCM for the year ended 2021 which took place on 28th May 2022.
3. In addition to the regular reports received at each meeting including updates and deanery developments, discussion has also taken place on the following:
 - **Safeguarding:** a safeguarding report can be seen below written jointly by the Vicar and the Parish Safeguarding Officers.
 - **Finance:** a financial report can be seen below written jointly by the Vicar and the treasurer, Miss Julie Holland.
 - **Services:** The service pattern has undergone some change, in recent months with a number of additions. The Sunday Masses remain at 9.00 am and 10.30 am, however, there is a Family Mass twice a month at

4.00 pm. At present, Mass is celebrated midweek on Tuesday at 7.00 pm, Wednesday at 10.00 am and Thursday at 12 noon. Messy Church takes place on a Saturday at 10.00 am once a month. There are other seasonal services.

- **Support:** The Church recognises that it must serve its community, and we seek to imitate the example of Jesus who came not to be served, but to serve. We actively support the following causes: St Andrew's Community Network through the collection of food for those in local need; World Vision, supporting children in developing countries; Leprosy Mission; the Children's Society and the Additional Curates Society.
- **Church & Parish Centre Buildings:** please see the fabric and ornaments report compiled by the Churchwardens.
- **Columba's Café:** The Café operated fully during 2022 and we have been building back steadily our customers and visitors. For some members of the community this space was an essential part of their social integration after long periods of isolation through lockdown. In addition to the café, the hall is a designated 'warm space' within the local community and hosts Police Surgeries and events for the local area in collaboration with Plus Dane Housing.
- **Parish Centre:** A warm relationship is enjoyed with Rosie & Jim's Nursery who have been tenants since 2019. This last year we welcomed United Response, a charity that supports adults with learning disabilities.
- **Church Growth:** the continuing impact of the pandemic has been keenly felt by churches locally and nationally, but the PCC remains committed to growth and outreach. The vision of Missionary Disciples who point people to Jesus was commended by the Archdeacon of Liverpool during his review in December 2022. He commented that: 'this parish is demonstrating great aspirations to grow back to pre-pandemic levels. '
- **Fellowship of the Transfiguration:** the parish has this year, become a member of the Fellowship of the Transfiguration, a fellowship of Anglo-Catholic parishes, already under the care of the Bishop of Beverley, that seeks to work collectively in the field of mission, evangelism and discipleship.

Adrian Manson
PCC Secretary

Safeguarding of Children and Vulnerable Adults

In our recent Archdeacon's Parish Review, it was noted 'that Safeguarding procedures are up to date and very well done.' We are continuing to create a culture of safeguarding where responsibility for the protection of children and vulnerable adults is shared by all. Full safeguarding requirements are implemented, including confidential declarations, fit and proper persons forms, code of safer working practice and DBS checks are completed for elected PCC members. The Safer Recruitment Process is followed for those working directly with vulnerable adults and children. At the last APCM the PCC has adopted the House of Bishops Safeguarding Policy, and this, as well as the contact details for diocesan and local safeguarding advisors feature on the 'Promoting a Safer Church' poster located around the building. Training for those who undertake work with children, as well as for those in positions of leadership (PCC) is ongoing.

Fr Daniel Howard, Jacqui Hale & Dawn Mercer
Safeguarding Team

Financial Report of the Parochial Church Council

At the last APCM we noted that financially the parish was 'stable' rather than 'secure'. This remains the case at end of 2022. This is in large part due to the astronomical increases in the cost of living and utilities in particular. At the onset of the increases there was substantial concern about how we were to meet the increased costs. However, due to careful planning, meticulous monitoring a concerted effort to minimize our own usage where possible, we have somehow managed to weather the storm. We are grateful to our tenants Rosie & Jim's and United Response for working closely with us in this area and for their efforts to reduce their usage – working collaboratively has been of huge benefit and has meant that we have been able to plough through this time of uncertainty. We have also been the recipient of several grants this last year which have aided us in offering a warm space to those who wish to use it; this has helped in our service to the local community. We are continually monitoring our finances and looking for ways in which our assets, so generally given, can best be managed and used prudently whilst also meeting our statutory and charitable endeavours. The standing committee has noted in recent months that a giving review will be required in the near future in an attempt to move us from 'stable' to 'secure'. We thank all for their generosity and financial commitment to our parish, its mission and ministry.

Fr Daniel Howard & Julie Holland

The Accounts and Independent Examiner's Report can be found in the pages following these reports, and are to be read in conjunction with these statements.

Report on the Fabric, Goods and Ornaments of the Churches of the Parish Church & Community Centre

The overall stewardship of the 'Fabric, Goods and Ornaments' is an ongoing task undertaken by the Churchwardens year by year. This Fabric, Goods and Ornaments report is the process by which the Church of England oversees and ensures good management of all the Church physical assets. In 2022 the following works have been completed or undertaken:

- The smoke detectors, fitted into the ceilings around the parish centre have been tested on a six-monthly basis and found to be working correctly, likewise the fire alarm for the parish centre is tested and is in good working order.
- After a breakdown of the heating system just after Christmas 2021, extensive work was done to rectify the fault through a number of professionals including the manufacturers, without success. In February 2022 the fault was successfully identified by Alan Wharton of A. Wharton Electrical Services and repaired, restoring heat to the church.
- The Church heaters were all serviced in May 2023 and found to be in good working order.
- The lift in the foyer, leading to the first floor of the parish centre has been fully maintained and the necessary repairs undertaken.
- The lift in the parish centre has been inspected professionally every six months and is compliant with the LOLER regulations.
- The gutters were cleared on the Church roof and as far as possible along the roof of the hall to ensure that water could pass through easily and drain through the pipes.
- The fire extinguishers were serviced/replaced as necessary to ensure compliance.
- The heating system located in the boiler room adjacent to the Bishop James room (which serves the whole parish centre) was serviced and found to be in good working order.
- The necessary gas certificates were obtained for the parish centre and nursery.
- A full electrical safety inspection was completed prior to the arrival of new tenants occupying the upper floors of the parish centre.

- Essential plumbing and minor electrical work has been completed across the parish centre to enable the smooth running of operations.
- The emergency exit door at the north of the parish centre which opens to Pinehurst Road was replaced due to severe damage through anti-social behaviour.
- As is detailed in the latest Quinquennial Report in 2019, we recognise that other essential work, namely the plaster erosion in Church, the need for a new roof and the replacement of many of the doors and shutters need to be carried out. These remain priorities that will be undertaken as soon as is possible.

Jeff Brandwood & Irene Campbell
Churchwardens

Report on the Proceedings of the Deanery Synod

The Deanery Synod has met a number of times over the course of the last twelve months. The conversation around the Deanery's future has been ongoing and following the resignation of the Area Dean, the Archdeacon of Liverpool advanced the conversations surrounding a merger with Liverpool North. After a lengthy period of consultation, it was agreed that the Deaneries should merge together with the proposed change coming into effect from early in 2023.

Adrian Manson
Deanery Synod Representative

NON-STATUTORY REPORTS

Discipleship

In the report on Discipleship last year, I noted that ‘the vision for our parish is to be a community of ‘Missionary Disciples’ who point people to Jesus. The key word in some ways is disciples. We cannot be missionary, that is, sharing the good news and pointing people to Jesus, if we are not first his disciples, if we are not first in friendship with him.’ This principle has been advanced over the course of the last year and saw the parish hold *The Start Course* in January 2022 and in the autumn and summer time, a in depth programme of discipleship began aptly titled *The Way*. The Way is a twelve-month programme of formation which explores all the key discipleship themes from doctrinal belief to the practical living out of the faith. This course has been shared with the other parishes of the Fellowship of the Transfiguration and is proving to be a successful method of teaching the essentials of the Christian faith which is rooted in both word and sacrament. In Advent, a more reflective discipleship programme was held based on the award-winning production, *The Chosen*.

Messy Church

Is a relaxed service aimed at, but not exclusive to young families, we have a range of ages who attend messy church each month from birth to grandparents. The service takes place in the church hall for an hour each month. After gathering, those attending engage with interactive arts and craft and then prayers, songs, refreshments. Messy Church consists of leader led activities that revolve around a specific theme from the bible or the liturgical year. This is followed by a video designed for young children based on the theme, Fr Daniel will gather the children together, interact with them and ask them what they have learned about and allow them time to express what activities they have completed, what they enjoyed and what they can tell us about the theme this month, this is followed by a song in which the children can join in with actions, singing along or dance to. The session concludes with a prayer and a blessing from Fr Daniel. Volunteers are integral to the delivery of Messy Church. They each sit at a table and describe the activity to the children, what they need to do, the importance of the theme, and offer assistance should they need it whilst talking with the children. There are approximately 5-6 activities each session including food crafts, painting, sticking and gluing and colouring, and they are all pre-planned by one of the volunteers, an example is set up on each table and the children can move around freely to each activity with their parents/guardians. Messy Church is attracting worshippers with little or no prior experience of Church.

Jessica Howard

Food Pantry – Columba’s Kitchen

After many false starts due to the lack of supply of food, by the end of 2022 we received the welcome news that, working in close collaboration with St Andrew’s Community Network, Plus Dane Housing Association and Liverpool Football Club, a food pantry would be operational in the first half of 2023. This is in large part thanks to an anonymous donation via the club, which will make this pantry possible. The desire to run a food pantry to serve the local community is grounded in the reality that the catholic tradition in which we stand has food at its heart, that is the eucharistic food of Christ’s body and blood. In receiving this gift, we as a parish are called to be bread for world, giving of ourselves for the sake of others. The food pantry is designed to alleviate some financial pressure on those most in need by providing a reasonable quantity of good quality food at a fraction of the price of a normal supermarket shop and so help people who would otherwise struggle. After recruiting a number of volunteers, we look forward to serving the local community in the near future.

Fr Daniel Howard

Family Mass

After meeting with a number of clergy in the North West with the focus on Catholic Mission, a common theme emerged in our discussions. The need to reconnect with families and children who, according to the latest research commissioned by the church and after analysing the attendance data, had not returned to church with any regularity since the pandemic, we all agreed that new avenues of worship were required. The traditional pattern of Sunday morning attendance was no longer the only viable route for busy families.

After much deliberation and prayer, and after consultation with families, a 4.00 pm Family Mass was planned and launched in September 2022. The aim was to connect with the missing generations in an informal, interactive, engaging way which would sustain attendance and it was essential, from my point of view that this take place not as a midweek, but as celebration of the Lord’s Resurrection – therefore on a Sunday. Since our launch we have attracted many people back to regular worship with us (twice per month) and, notwithstanding school holidays and the like, can attract 20 people to each celebration, a combination of children of different ages, parents and grandparents. The gospel is proclaimed, the sacrament of the Lord’s death and resurrection are celebrated and then fellowship is enjoyed in the hall afterwards with food and drink, and, at key times, pizza! In the words of one parent, ‘the kids love it, the parents too!’

Fr Daniel Howard

Columba's Crew

After the pandemic it was agreed by the PCC that we needed to restart our work with children immediately in the form of Sunday School, so that there was a provision for our youngest members during the Parish Mass. The opportunity was taken to look at the provision as a whole and after a meeting with the Vicar, a new structure was agreed. This format was designed to mirror the key elements of the Sunday Mass, including the sign of the cross, penitential rite, gospel reading and peace. Underpinning this structure is song. The children sing during much of their time together as this is a tool which serves to cement the theme in their minds. After an exploration of the gospel the children complete a related activity before rejoining the rest of the Christian family around the altar for the eucharistic prayer. The children love sharing what they have learnt after communion. In order to expand our children's ministry, all baptism families are invited to explore Columba's Crew or the Family Mass – we pray that God may bless us with growth!

Dawn Holdman, Lori Roberts, Lynn Colgan, Jessica Howard & Sue Dowling
Columba's Crew Leaders

Financial Statements

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St. Columba, Anfield

Trustees' Report for the year ended 31st December 2022

Financial Review

Results for the year

The results for the year are set out on page 20.

The PCC has implemented the Parish Giving Scheme as a means of securing a regular, tax efficient revenue stream.

Reserves policy

The Church has one employee, a Parish Centre Manager. Our aim is to have sufficient funds to cover redundancy should this occur. In addition, the PCC aim to have an amount equal to six months worth of unrestricted expenditure in reserve. At 31st December 2022, these items would amount to a total of approximately £47,000 (2021: £42,000).

The actual free reserves at 31st December 2022 were £33,532 (2021: £31,336). In calculating reserves, the trustees have excluded from total funds restricted income funds (£5,222) and tangible fixed assets (£550,926). The trustees will continue to monitor the situation.

Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of its surplus or deficit for that year. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable Accounting Standards and Statements of Recommended Practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report was approved by the Board of Trustees on 10th May 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Fr Daniel Howard
Chairman

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**Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31st December 2022**

		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS	
	Note			2022 £	2021 £
INCOME FROM:					
Donations and legacies	2	23,397	1,186	24,583	34,385
Other trading activities	3	57,513	0	57,513	33,550
Investments	4	40	0	40	2
Charitable activities	5	94	4,600	4,694	16,535
Other income	6	0	0	0	0
TOTAL INCOME		<u>81,044</u>	<u>5,786</u>	<u>86,830</u>	<u>84,472</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Raising funds	7	5,046	2,315	7,361	4,994
Charitable activities	8	73,802	5,250	79,052	72,564
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		<u>78,848</u>	<u>7,565</u>	<u>86,413</u>	<u>77,558</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		2,196	(1,779)	417	6,914
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS		0	0	0	0
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		<u>2,196</u>	<u>(1,779)</u>	<u>417</u>	<u>6,914</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward at 1st January 2022		<u>582,262</u>	<u>7,001</u>	<u>589,263</u>	<u>582,349</u>
Total funds carried forward at 31st December 2022		<u>584,458</u>	<u>5,222</u>	<u>589,680</u>	<u>589,263</u>

The notes on pages 22 to 29 form part of these accounts.

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10th May 2023**

**The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of
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Balance Sheet at 31st December 2022

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	11	550,926	550,926
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	12	4,826	4,700
Cash at bank and in hand		36,520	36,997
Total current assets		<u>41,346</u>	<u>41,697</u>
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	13	2,592	3,360
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>38,754</u>	<u>38,337</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		589,680	589,263
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR		0	0
TOTAL NET ASSETS		<u>589,680</u>	<u>589,263</u>
THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY	15		
Unrestricted funds		584,458	582,262
Restricted funds		5,222	7,001
Total charity funds		<u>589,680</u>	<u>589,263</u>

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 10th May 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

.....
Fr Daniel Howard

.....
Miss Julie Holland

The notes on pages 22 to 29 form part of these accounts.

**The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of
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**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31st December 2022**

1 Accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the valuation of investment assets, which are shown at market value. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations together with applicable accounting standards and the with the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2015 FRS 102).

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

Funds

General funds represent the funds of the Parochial Church Council ("charity") that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the charity. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the trustees are also unrestricted.

Restricted funds are funds subject to specific conditions imposed by the donors or through the terms of an appeal.

Transfers of funds are made to recognise the release of restricted funds or to meet expenditure not covered by restricted income.

Income:

Donations, legacies and other voluntary income

Voluntary income received by way of grants, donations and gifts is included in the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which it is received by or on behalf of the charity. Grants, where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.

Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received. Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when the income is recognised. Funds raised by the seasonal fairs, fundraising events and similar events are accounted for gross. Sales of books and magazines from the church bookstall are accounted for gross.

The charity received substantial amounts of voluntary help from its supporters, but no attempt is made to place a financial value on these services and they have not been included.

Grants receivable

Grants are credited to the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which they are receivable.

Other income

Rental income from the letting of the charity's premises is recognised when the rental is due.

Income from investments

Dividends and interest are accounted for when due and payable. Interest entitlements are accounted for as they accrue. Tax recoverable on such income is recognised in the same accounting period.

Gains and losses on investments

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

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**Notes to the Financial Statements
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1 Accounting policies (cont.)

Expenditure

Grants

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

Costs of raising funds.

All expenses relating to fundraising, publicity, public relations and investment management charges are charged to this heading.

Charitable activities

Charitable activities comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both the costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

The Diocesan Parish Share is accounted for when payable. Any Parish Share unpaid at 31st December is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not legal) liability and is shown as a creditor in the Balance Sheet.

Irrecoverable VAT

All resources expended are classified under activity headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the category of resources expended for which it was incurred.

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Consecrated property and movable church furnishings

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by section 10(2)(a) 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 accounted for as inalienable property unless consecrated. They are listed in the church's Inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For inalienable property acquired prior to 2000 there is insufficient cost information available and, therefore, such assets are not valued in the accounts. Items acquired since 1st January 2000 have been capitalised and depreciated in the accounts over their currently anticipated useful economic life (initially over 20 years) on a straight line basis. All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or benefice buildings, whether maintenance or improvement, is written off as expenditure in the SOFA and separately disclosed.

Freehold land and property is not depreciated, as in the view of the PCC they are maintained to a sufficiently high standard which ensures that the market value of the properties is not less than the carrying value shown in the accounts.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

All expenditure incurred during the year on individual items of equipment, fixtures and fittings with an original cost under £2000, are written off in the year in which the expenditure was incurred on the basis that due to the nature of the charity's activities, there is no expectation that the cost of the assets will be recovered in the way of future revenues.

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1 Accounting policies (cont.)

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Short leasehold land and buildings	-	Amortised over the period of the lease
Fixture & fittings	-	20% on cost
ICT equipment, including computers	-	33.33% on cost
Motor vehicles	-	25% reducing balance

Investments

Investments are valued at market value at 31st December. The statement of financial activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluation and disposals throughout the year.

Current Assets

Amounts owing to the charity at 31st December in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less provision for amounts that may prove uncollectible.

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at the bank.

Contingent Liabilities and Provisions

In accordance with the SORP, a contingent liability is disclosed for those grants, which do not represent liabilities, where the possible obligation, which arises from past events, will only be confirmed by the occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the trustees' control. Provisions are recognised for those grants where there is uncertainty as to the timing or amount, and any uncertainty regarding the amount is more than one of determining a basis for reasonable estimation of the liability arising from that constructive obligation.

Charitable status and taxation

As a registered charity, the charity benefits from rates' relief and is generally exempt from income tax and corporation tax. The charity is not registered for value added tax.

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2022 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2021 £
2 Donations and legacies						
Planned Giving:						
Gift Aid donations	10,560	0	10,560	10,712	0	10,712
Income Tax recoverable	4,217	0	4,217	4,111	0	4,111
Other planned giving	760	0	760	885	0	885
Collections (open plate) at all services	6,340	496	6,836	5,259	548	5,807
Donations	1,520	690	2,210	12,370	500	12,870
Legacies received	0	0	0	0	0	0
	<u>23,397</u>	<u>1,186</u>	<u>24,583</u>	<u>33,337</u>	<u>1,048</u>	<u>34,385</u>
3 Other trading activities						
Rent of premises	35,050	0	35,050	17,948	0	17,948
Café Income	7,155	0	7,155	3,534	0	3,534
Fundraising Income and activities	13,433	0	13,433	10,409	0	10,409
Wedding and funeral fees received	1,875	0	1,875	1,659	0	1,659
	<u>57,513</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>57,513</u>	<u>33,550</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>33,550</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements
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	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2022 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2021 £
4 Investments						
Dividends and interest (including any reclaimed tax):						
- on cash deposits	40	0	40	2	0	2
	<u>40</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>
5 Charitable activities						
Bookstall	94	0	94	61	0	61
Grants:						0
HMRC - Job Retention Scheme	0	0	0	0	6,030	6,030
Other grants	0	4,600	4,600	0	9,500	9,500
Walsingham trip income	0	0	0	944	0	944
	<u>94</u>	<u>4,600</u>	<u>4,694</u>	<u>1,005</u>	<u>15,530</u>	<u>16,535</u>
6 Other income						
Sale of assets	0	0	0	0	0	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
7 Raising funds						
Fundraising Costs and activities	1,321	250	1,571	1,411	200	1,611
Cafe and catering costs	3,725	2,065	5,790	2,783	600	3,383
	<u>5,046</u>	<u>2,315</u>	<u>7,361</u>	<u>4,194</u>	<u>800</u>	<u>4,994</u>
8 Charitable activities						
Missionary & charitable giving:						
Additional Curates' Society	0	0	0	0	0	0
Children's Society	0	162	162	0	280	280
Leprosy Mission	0	110	110	0	155	155
MacMillan Cancer Care	0	0	0	0	0	0
Walsingham Trust	40	0	40	0	0	0
World Vision	274	0	274	274	0	274
Sundry Donations	500	100	600	0	0	0
c/fwd	<u>814</u>	<u>372</u>	<u>1,186</u>	<u>274</u>	<u>435</u>	<u>709</u>

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	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2022 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2021 £
8 Charitable activities						
Continued b/fwd	814	372	1,186	274	435	709
Ministry:						
Diocesan parish share	20,835	0	20,835	21,304	0	21,304
Vicarage housing costs	2,646	0	2,646	2,026	0	2,026
Vicarage telephone	726	0	726	653	0	653
Vicar's expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0
Church costs:						
Insurance	3,586	0	3,586	3,440	0	3,440
Heat and light	19	2,000	2,019	1,067	0	1,067
Rent and rates	332	0	332	305	0	305
Repairs and maintenance	2,422	0	2,422	3,654	4,624	8,278
Telephone & broadband	619	0	619	602	0	602
Community Centre costs:						
Rent and rates	2,389	0	2,389	855	0	855
Heat and light	12,172	600	12,772	6,907	0	6,907
Repairs, maintenance & cleaning	5,480	0	5,480	2,533	0	2,533
Wages - Centre manager	12,321	2,158	14,479	7,267	7,099	14,366
Pension - Centre manager	272	0	272	230	0	230
Organist's salary	2,050	0	2,050	1,900	0	1,900
Costs of services	2,424	120	2,544	1,182	0	1,182
Printing, postage and stationery	811	0	811	464	0	464
Hire of Equipment	1,008	0	1,008	817	0	817
Payroll, pension & grant claim costs	716	0	716	1,090	0	1,090
Walsingham trip costs	0	0	0	1,560	0	1,560
Walsingham Festival costs	0	0	0	308	0	308
Licences & Subscriptions	269	0	269	158	0	158
Accountancy and independent examination	1,392	0	1,392	1,320	0	1,320
Sundries	499	0	499	490	0	490
Depreciation on fixtures & fittings	0	0	0	0	0	0
(Profit)/loss on disposal of fixed	0	0	0	0	0	0
	<u>73,802</u>	<u>5,250</u>	<u>79,052</u>	<u>60,406</u>	<u>12,158</u>	<u>72,564</u>

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9 Net incoming resources	2022	2021
	£	£
Net incoming resources is stated after charging:		
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	0	0
Profit/(loss) on disposal of fixed assets	0	0
Staff costs (see note 10)	16,801	16,496
	<u>16,801</u>	<u>16,496</u>

10 Staff Costs	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages and Salaries	16,529	16,266
Social Security Costs	0	0
Pension Costs	272	230
	<u>16,801</u>	<u>16,496</u>

The average number of full-time equivalent employees (including casual and part-time staff) employed by the charity during the year was as follows:

	2022	2021
Administration	0	0
Centre manager	1	1
Organist	0	0
	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

During the year the charity employed members of staff as detailed above. None (2021: None) of whom earned more than £60,000 p.a. The trustees received £Nil remuneration (2021: £Nil) during the year. Trustees were reimbursed working expenses of £Nil (2021: £Nil) for the year. There were no other discloseable transactions in respect of trustees, persons closely connected with them or other related parties.

11 Tangible Fixed Assets

	Freehold land & buildings £	Fixtures, fittings & equipment £	Total £
COST OR VALUATION			
At 1st January 2022	550,925	12,440	563,365
Additions	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0
At 31st December 2022	<u>550,925</u>	<u>12,440</u>	<u>563,365</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1st January 2022	0	12,439	12,439
Charge for the year	0	0	0
Depreciation on disposals	0	0	0
At 31st December 2022	<u>0</u>	<u>12,439</u>	<u>12,439</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31st December 2022	<u>550,925</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>550,926</u>
At 31st December, 2021	<u>550,925</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>550,926</u>

The freehold and leasehold buildings comprises the Community Centre located adjacent to the church.
Equipment relates to various computers and a Flat Screen TV

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12 Debtors	2022	2021
	£	£
Income Tax recoverable	4,826	4,700
Prepayments and accrued income	0	0
	<u>4,826</u>	<u>4,700</u>

13 Liabilities: Amounts falling due within one year	2022	2021
	£	£
Trade creditors	0	0
Accruals and deferred income	2,592	3,360
	<u>2,592</u>	<u>3,360</u>

14 Analysis of Net Assets by Fund	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total
	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	550,926	0	550,926
Current Assets	36,124	5,222	41,346
Current Liabilities	(2,592)	0	(2,592)
Liabilities after more than one year	0	0	0
Fund Balance	<u>584,458</u>	<u>5,222</u>	<u>589,680</u>

15 Movement on funds	At 1st January 2022	Incoming Resources (inc. gains)	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	At 31st December 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
<u>Unrestricted funds</u>					
Capital Asset Fund	550,926	0	0	0	550,926
General fund	31,336	81,044	78,848	0	33,532
Total unrestricted funds	<u>582,262</u>	<u>81,044</u>	<u>78,848</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>584,458</u>
<u>Restricted funds</u>					
Café Fund	6,432	0	2,223	0	4,209
Charity Funds	112	816	372	0	556
Christmas Fair Fund	0	250	250	0	0
Loop Hearing System	100	0	0	0	100
Food Pantry Fund	0	2,000	2,000	0	0
School Mass Fund	357	0	0	0	357
Heating & Service Costs	0	2,720	2,720	0	0
Total restricted funds	<u>7,001</u>	<u>5,786</u>	<u>7,565</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>5,222</u>
Total funds	<u>589,263</u>	<u>86,830</u>	<u>86,413</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>589,680</u>

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16 Fund Details

Details of the various funds held by the charity are as follows:

Name of fund	Description, nature and purposes of the fund
<u>Unrestricted funds</u>	
Capital Asset Fund	This fund represents the net book value of fixed assets.
General fund	Any monies not included in any other fund.
<u>Restricted funds</u>	
Café Fund	This fund was for monies received towards the costs of running the cafe.
Charity Funds	This fund was set up (as and when required) to collect monies to be given to other Charities.
Christmas Fair Fund	These were funds received towards the running costs of the Christmas Fair.
Loop Hearing System	This fund was set up many years ago to provide for a new loop hearing sound
Food Pantry Fund	This fund was a grant received towards the work in the food pantry/cafe.
School Mass Fund	This grant was received towards the costs of setting up a mass group to work in schools.
Heating & Service Costs	This fund was set up to receive monies towards the heating costs of the church and towards the costs of the services.

17 Taxation

As a charity, the The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St. Columba, Anfield is exempt from tax on income and gains to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects. No tax charges have arisen in the Charity.

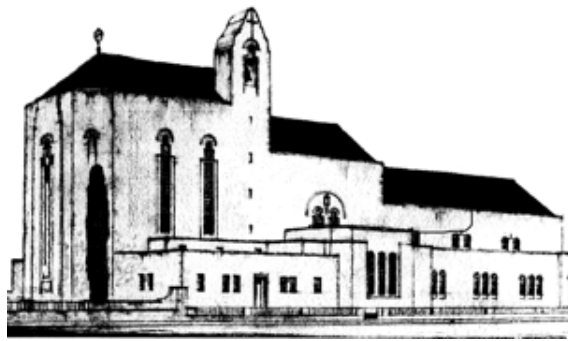
18 Contingent liabilities

The charity had no contingent liabilities at 31st December 2022 (2021: None).

19 Capital commitments

The charity had no capital commitments at 31st December 2022 (2021: None) either contracted for or authorised by the trustees but not contracted for.

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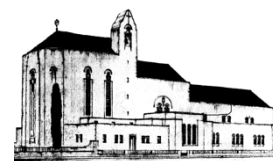
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'MISSIONARY DISCIPLES:
POINTING PEOPLE TO JESUS'



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Chairman's Report for the year ended 2021

March 2022

Dear Friends,

'Jesus Christ is the same, yesterday, today and forever'.

Hebrews 13.8

Dear Friends,

The writer of the letter to the Hebrews captures for us the very nature of the God we worship: he does not change. Like 2020, 2021 was a year of unprecedented change, due largely to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic. In the early parts of 2021, the pandemic still had much the same feel as those first days in the March of the previous year. The numbers of people catching the virus and sadly dying as a result remained high and so the risk of social interaction was one that many people were unwilling to take.

The Church continued to be shaped by this international crisis, and whilst many parishes closed their doors in the first quarter of the year, I am proud that once again we decided to remain open, albeit on a reduced basis. I know that this was a lifeline to many in our own community as well as outside; several visitors from other parishes found a temporary home with us precisely because we were open. Worship continued, the Mass continued to be celebrated and our sacrifice of thanks and praise was offered. As I recorded in much of my correspondence, I lamented the fact that the way in which we offered the Mass was notably different, aside from the fact that we were unable to sing, we were unable to socialise with each other afterwards. I know that this privation affected the spirituality of many regular worshippers – and yet we were, in my mind at least, still able to convey the truth particularly in Holy Week that Jesus Christ, who offered his life for us sinners, is the same, yesterday, today and forever.

In a changeable, transient and suffering world, the eternal unchangeable love of God remained a constant and that is what, by remaining open, we tried to convey. This message was received by people who have since entered into the life of our church; the truth, Jesus reminds us, sets us free, and I know that that has been the experience shared by people in all places, not least here at St Columba's.

As the year progressed, we were able to move forward as a parish and celebrate our Patronal Festival, before a full lifting of restrictions and the resumption of singing in worship in July which brought joy to many after two years of silence.

The summer months were spent largely dealing with a substantial roof repair which the churchwardens' detail in their report, and of course with trying to readjust to the freedoms restored. In July we were able to reopen Columba's Café and restart much of our 'normal' parish activity, whilst at the same time, employing caution to safeguard all, particularly those who were vulnerable.

The Autumn brought with a sense of urgency to fully engage once again with our primary calling as the Church to 'go', to go into our community and share the Good News. Jeff Brandwood, Adrian Manson and I attended a Leading your Church into growth conference to explore ways in which we can engage more concretely and share the faith that we hold dear, that Jesus Christ is indeed the same, yesterday, today and forever. The few days away were challenging but provided a road map for us to follow, which connected deeply with my own vision for the parish that we truly become Missionary Disciples who point people to Jesus, first by forming relationships, secondly by serving the people in our midst, concluding with a sharing of the gospel in word and deed. In light of this, activity was planned that centred around deliberate evangelisation. With renewed sense of impetus, we held our first Messy Church which attracted a good number of people with little or no Church association, some of whom have become settled into this worshipping community. Please pray that they may come to a deeper understanding of the faith and make that next step in their Christian discipleship.

In addition to Messy Church, there was a desire to set the bar high for Christmas, particularly in terms of evangelism. At each service there was in the invitation to respond to open offer that Christ's birth brings, to know his love, revealed in the flesh. We have, thank God, had people responded to Christ's invitation, but sadly we were hampered once again due to a significant increase in covid cases and the emergence of new variant, this left many people absent from church over Christmas period.

We ended the year as we began it, unsure how the next weeks and months would unfold; there is in life always a sense of uncertainty and we have moved into 2022 deeply aware of this reality. However, as Christians we have hope and that is because, to quote the letter to the Hebrews once again, Jesus Christ is the same, yesterday, today and forever. I have several times since restrictions have eased, asked us all to come afresh to Christ, to pledge to follow and serve him with renewed confidence based on the conviction that he is faithful, for he is eternal and he is love. As we move forward, I repeat that request, can we pledge to return to Christ with all our hearts, to serve him in his church actively, beginning by drawing on his grace in the Blessed Sacrament? I am all too aware that many people are still feeling fragile, many are still apprehensive, but who profess our faith have a firm and eternal foundation, Christ himself and he bids us to come to him through his Church.

The invitation moving forward is clear: to come to him. Perhaps for the first time, perhaps for the first time in a long time, but come to him through worship and service is what we, the baptized, are called to do.

I ended my chairman's report last year with a quotation from one of my favourite theologians, Yves Congar. Given the difficulties we have faced since then, I would like to end with it again, as it remains essential for us today. Fr Congar writes: 'if the Church boldly throws herself open to lay activity, she will experience such as springtime as we cannot imagine'. I am asking you to throw yourself open, so that we as a parish can experience a springtime of faith, a time of growth, a time of renewal and a time of flourishing. Let us pledge to open our hearts and become a community of Missionary Disciples who point to Jesus, who is the same, yesterday, today and forever.

Yours in Christ,

Fr Daniel

The Parish of Saint Columba's is a well-established Christian community, located in the suburb of Anfield and Deanery of Walton, within the Diocese of Liverpool.

Since the early incumbencies of Fr Norman Alcock and Fr James Howard Foy the parish has been firmly rooted in the Catholic tradition of the Church of England, and displays all its hallmarks both liturgically and doctrinally. The parish is led by Fr Daniel Howard, who was instituted as Vicar in February 2020. Fr Daniel is supported by two Churchwardens, Mr Jeff Brandwood and Mrs Irene Campbell, and a Reader, Mr Adrian Manson, who holds the Bishop's License.

AIMS & PURPOSES

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) of the Parish of St Columba, Anfield has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent, Fr Daniel Howard, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the Church of St Columba, Anfield.

OBJECTIVES & ACTIVITIES

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship in our church and to become part of our community. Our vision is detailed below (this is not an exhaustive list):

- To be a community of 'Missionary Disciples: Pointing people to Jesus'.
- To allow people to worship God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, through regular attendance at mass and other public worship, and through daily personal prayer.
- To nurture a strong, welcoming Christian community, whose values are underpinned by the teaching of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- For all members of our church to grow in their Christian discipleship – praying, reading and learning.
- To reach out to the local community.
- To engage with our local school.
- To make a bigger difference in this community – telling, serving and giving.

- To providing pastoral care through baptism, wedding and funeral ministry as well as the visitation of the sick and dying.
- To offering teaching to children and young people and providing opportunity for them to explore matters of faith.
- To deliver catechetical and formational programmes.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

The Parochial Church Council is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2020), and is registered with the Charity Commission, number: 1129512 under the name ‘The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St. Columba, Anfield’.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE & MANAGEMENT

The structure, governance and management of the parish is determined by the rules of the Church of England, in particular the Church Representation Rules 2020. This sets out the membership of the PCC, which consists of the incumbent (Vicar), other clergy licensed to the parish, and the reader (all *ex-officio*), together with the two churchwardens (elected at the Annual Meeting of Parishioners) and members of the laity elected to serve on the Deanery Synod or Parochial Church Council (both of which are elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting).

Governance of the parish is provided by the Vicar, Churchwardens and PCC, whilst day-to-day management is the responsibility of the Vicar, Churchwardens and Officers of the Parochial Church Council. Whether *ex-officio* or elected, together, all 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.

VICAR & CHAIRMAN:

Fr Daniel Howard SSC BA (Hons), M.St (Oxon)

HONORARY ASSISTANT PRIEST:

Fr Tom Allen

READER:

Mr Adrian Manson

CHURCHWARDENS:

Mr Jeffery Brandwood & Mrs Irene Campbell

DEANERY SYNOD REPRESENTATIVES:

Mr Adrian Manson, Mrs Irene Campbell & Mr Jordan Mercer

STANDING COMMITTEE:

Fr Daniel Howard, Jeff Brandwood (Warden), Irene Campbell (Warden),
Adrian Manson (Secretary), Julie Holland (Treasurer).

The existence of the Standing Committee is required under the Church Representation Rules. It meets prior to PCC meetings to set the agenda for the meeting and transact delegated business.

The full membership list of the PCC is detailed below in the PCC report.

HEALTH & SAFETY OFFICER:

Mrs Carolyn Swash

PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICER:

Mrs Dawn Mercer

ELECTORAL ROLL OFFICER:

Mrs Marj Allen

PARISH CENTRE MANAGER:

Mrs Sharon Oulton

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REPORT ON THE ELECTORAL ROLL SINCE THE LAST AGM

Throughout the year we have maintained our register of names on the Electoral Roll, though sadly, since the last APCM we have suffered bereavement as a Church family, particularly through the loss of Russell Banks, Sally Hincks and Ken Mousley and Maureen Jervis.

The church has seen a number of new parishioners arrive who are settling in nicely. This year we are adding new names to the roll: Jessica Howard and Amanda Roberts.

The total number on the roll therefore stands at 81, of whom 39 live within the parish and 42 live outside our boundaries.

Marj Allen
Electoral Roll Officer

Report on the Proceedings of the Parochial Church Council (2021)

1. The membership of the PCC since the last APCM in Sunday 30th May 2021 comprises of: Father Daniel Howard (Vicar & PCC Chair); Mr Jeff Brandwood (Church Warden & PCC Vice Chair); Mrs Irene Campbell (Church Warden & Deanery Synod Representative); Miss Julie Holland (Treasurer); Fr Tommy Allen (Assistant Priest), Mr Adrian Manson (Reader, Secretary & Deanery Synod Representative); Mrs Dawn Mercer (Parish Safeguarding Officer); Mr Jordan Mercer (Deanery Synod Representative); Mrs Jacqui Hale; Mr Robert Liston; Mrs Joyce Jones, Mrs Lynn Colgan, Mrs Lori Roberts, Ms Patsy Watterson and Mr Malcolm Dorr. It should be noted that Mrs Irene Taylor was co-opted as a member of the PCC by unanimous vote on 30th June 2021.
2. In 2021, the PCC met on multiple occasions throughout the year, however it should be noted that for the first half of the year substantial legal Covid 19 restrictions remained in place which prevented social gatherings, meeting and mixing. The daily running of the parish was conducted by the Vicar in light of the continuing health crisis and the PCC met when it was permitted to do so in a 'covid secure' way. The PCC met on several occasions, including 27/01/21, 12/05/21, 30/05/21, 30/06/21, 09/09/21 and 25/11/21.
3. In addition to the regular reports received at each meeting including updates and deanery developments, discussion has also taken place on the following

topics, when the PCC been permitted to meet met due to the including:

- **Safeguarding:** a safeguarding report can be seen below written jointly by the Vicar and the Parish Safeguarding Officer, Mrs Dawn Mercer.
- **Finance:** a financial report can be seen below written jointly by the Vicar and the treasurer, Miss Julie Holland.
- **Services:** The service pattern has shifted somewhat in recent months due to the Covid situation. The Sunday Masses remain unchanged at 9.00 am and 10.30 am. At present, Mass is celebrated midweek on Tuesday and Thursday at 7.00 pm and on Wednesday at 12 noon. It is hoped that the usual pattern will be able to re-established as the situation stabilises and people return to Church.
- **Support:** The PCC recognised the need to continue supporting the local parish community, particularly with food times. Food for the St Andrew's Community Foodbank was collected and remains a key aspect of our giving to people in need. Throughout 2021 in a specific effort to support local families and children attending Pinehurst Primary School, items for the children such as films and snacks have been collected – this was decided in light of the fact that families might not have enough income to spend on such items, but recognised that they would have a significant impact on the mental health of all.
- **Church & Parish Centre Buildings:** please see the fabric and ornaments report compiled by the Churchwardens.
- **Columba's Café:** During the first months of 2021 social interaction was not permitted, and social distancing remained a key discipline in helping to prevent the spread of the virus. At some moments of 2021 outdoor food service was permitted. However, in light of the practicalities involved and more importantly recognising the risk posed to staff and volunteers, the café remained closed during this period. The multiple change in restrictions over the first half of the year made re-opening possible, and then impossible as things developed. At each moment of possible re-opening we were curtailed due to changes in legislation and expectation that would not make service possible, and custom, unlikely. The café was able to re-open fully in July 2021 after the easing of all restrictions and after thorough risk assessments had taken place which provided staff and volunteers with a sense of security. Whilst custom was initially somewhat slow things began to develop and we attracted people back. For some members of the community this was

an essential part of their first steps back into society after long periods of isolation. The café is now open and is welcoming new customers.

- **Church Growth:** Whilst the pandemic has brought with it untold challenges, we have seen some instances of growth over the course of the last twelve months. People have joined the worshipping life of the Church at different points over the last year and have settled into parish life. It was a joy to see fifteen members confirmed in October and support them as they take their step of faith. Our explicit evangelism over the Christmas period has likewise paid off and new people have come back to faith. Whilst growth has not been vast, it has been steady, which is what data seems to suggest is common at this time.

Adrian Manson
PCC Secretary

Safeguarding of Children and Vulnerable Adults

Following the Safeguarding Review of the parish last year, 2020, 2021 has seen continued work in this area, ensuring that we are not only compliant with the latest guidelines and guidance, but also that we are promoting a culture of safeguarding that is everyone's responsibility. Safeguarding is a permanent item on the PCC agenda which gives credence to how important it is for us collectively and personally as leaders in the parish. Full safeguarding checks, including confidential declarations, fit and proper persons forms, code of safer working practice and DBS checks are completed for elected PCC members. The Safer Recruitment Process is followed for those working directly with adults and children. It has been necessary to begin this process with the re-structuring of Sunday School which is ongoing. At the last APCM the PCC has adopted the House of Bishops Safeguarding Policy, and this, as well as the contact details for diocesan and local safeguarding advisors feature on the 'Promoting a Safer Church' poster located around the building. Training for those who undertake work with children, as well as for those in positions of leadership (PCC) is ongoing.

Fr Daniel Howard & Dawn Mercer

Financial Report of the Parochial Church Council

As was documented in the last financial report, the Covid pandemic caused untold difficulties, in 2021 those difficulties continued, and this was largely due to the imposition and subsequent relaxation of restrictions. The cyclical nature of stop and start as the pandemic shifted made forward financial planning almost

impossible particularly in light of the fact that so much of our fundraising is subject to social interaction and social events; this being the case for the vast majority of churches, the parish was fortunate to receive some credit from the church commissioners which resulted in the parish share being slightly reduced from its normal amount. It should be noted that that parish share remains are largest single expense, and yet we have continued to pay this amount in full throughout the pandemic, and so our thanks must go to you for your continued generosity and support. On the easing of restrictions in the summer of 2021 we were able to re-open for social interaction and slowly begin to build up once again our common life together, Columba's Café re-opened for service and whilst progress initial progress was slow, things began to edge slowly towards normality as the year progressed. As has been detailed above, a usual round of building works and in the summer time, a substantial roof repair, meant that finance was expended, there are, of course, further works to be tackled all of which will have a significant impact. We were blessed at the end of 2021 by donations from St John's Walton, and from the estate of Allen Lomas, and from a member of our own congregation, which enabled us to weather the winter Covid storm and the arrival of the omicron variant which again affected our activities. The financial report below indicates the state of our accounts, but with the increased costs of living, not least the energy price increases facing us all, and uncertainty ahead yet again, at this junction we would describe our financial situation as 'stable' rather than 'secure' and as such will need careful monitoring. A financial overview will be given at the meeting.

Fr Daniel Howard & Julie Holland

The Accounts and Independent Examiner's Report can be found in the pages following these reports, and are to be read in conjunction with these statements.

Report on the Fabric, Goods and Ornaments of the Churches of the Parish Church & Community Centre

The overall stewardship of the 'Fabric, Goods and Ornaments' is an ongoing task undertaken by the Churchwardens year by year. This Fabric, Goods and Ornaments report is the process by which the Church of England oversees and ensures good management of all the Church physical assets. In 2021 the following works have been completed or undertaken:

- The smoke detectors, fitted into the ceilings around the parish centre have been tested on a six monthly basis and found to be working correctly, likewise the fire alarm for the parish centre is tested and is in good working order.

- The Church heaters were all serviced in May 2021 and found to be in good working order.
- The current light bulbs throughout the church have been replaced, like for like, with bulbs of higher lumens to try and enhance the brightness of the church.
- The lift in the foyer, leading to the first floor of the parish centre has been fully maintained and the necessary repairs undertaken.
- The gutters were cleared on the Church roof and as far as possible along the roof of the hall to ensure that water could pass through easily and drain through the pipes.
- The fire extinguishers were serviced/replaced as necessary to ensure compliance.
- The heating system located in the boiler room adjacent to the Bishop James room (which serves the whole parish centre) was serviced and found to be in good working order.
- Roof slates by the lift shaft and above the upper room had become damaged and were removed and replaced like for like.
- Major work to the roof was undertaken in the summer months of 2021. A Roofer had been contracted to clear the gutters and make holding repairs in the necessary places along the guttering at the highest levels of the Church building. On carrying out the repairs it was discovered that the base and sides of the bell cote area needed substantial repair. The wooden battens had rotted and were saturated with water which we were advised was having an adverse effect on the plastered walls inside the chancel. In collaboration with the architect and the DAC a schedule of work was agreed upon to strip away the rotten wood, re-adjust the pan tiles and make water tight the surround area with lead. The work lasted approximately three weeks.
- As is detailed in the latest Quinquennial Report in 2019, we recognise that other essential work, namely the plaster erosion in Church, the need for a new roof and the replacement of many of the doors and shutters need to be carried out. These remain priorities that will be undertaken as soon as is possible.

Jeff Brandwood & Irene Campbell
Churchwardens

Report on the Proceedings of the Deanery Synod

The Deanery Synod met several times over the course of 2021, particularly in the latter half of the year with the easing of restrictions. The initial meetings were largely geared to supporting one another based on the impact of the pandemic and what practical support may be necessary. One substantial issue was covered with a Deanery away day in July. This day was focussed on the future of the deanery and what the future might look like, and whether substantial or small reorganisation needed to take place to enable a workable appointment to be made within the Walton Team. Broadly, the deanery has moved along the line of small reorganisation, but such plans have yet to be finalised. In the latter half of the year we were informed that St John's, Walton had been left a very substantial legacy of over half a million pounds. The trustees involved in the administration of this legacy generously donated two thousand pounds to each church and the PCC of St John's matched the donation.

Adrian Manson
Deanery Synod Representative

NON-STATUTORY REPORTS

Discipleship

The vision for our parish is to be a community of 'Missionary Disciples' who point people to Jesus. The key word in some ways is disciples. We cannot be missionary, that is, sharing the good news and pointing people to Jesus, if we are not first his disciples, if we are not first in friendship with him. As such, discipleship was placed at the heart of our common life together. Each of us is called to pray, read (the scriptures) and learn the Christian faith, so in the latter half of the year with the easing of restrictions, we embarked on a number of discipleship course together. We began with the scriptures and the Bible course, exploring the nature of the scriptures and the overarching story of our salvation, delving into the Old and New Testaments. Confirmation classes followed for both adults and children which gave a solid grounding in the Christian faith – exploring the person of Jesus Christ, the Mass, and how we live the Christian life. In Advent, we explored the nature of Jesus Christ through the lens of priest, prophet and king and how we, because we are united to his body by baptism, are also sharers in these three offices. Discipleship is not for the few, but for the many, in fact it is for all. We must grow as disciples if we wish to be missionary, if we truly desire to point people to Jesus Christ our redeemer. Will you do so as we move forward together?

Pinehurst Primary School

The link between the parish and Pinehurst Primary School is a longstanding one and we enjoy a good relationship. The impact of the pandemic on schools has been considerable and this is certainly the case with our local school. As has been detailed above, we have tried to support the children with the provision of more luxury items which stretched parents may not otherwise have been able to provide. The changing guidance issued has meant for a large part of 2021 I was unable to physically be present in school in my capacity as a school governor. Nearly all meetings were held on Zoom but I was able to share the Good News of Good Friday and Easter with the children in the form of a lesson during Holy Week. We have also welcome the children into Church on several occasions, during Christmas and Eastertide to enable them to enrich their understanding. It is hoped that as 2022 progresses we can do more together and further strengthen the relationship we have shared for many years.

Messy Church

As was detailed in my report above, in the Autumn we began Messy Church. The creation of Messy Church for Saint Columba's was high on my list of priorities when I was offered towards the end of 2019 and beginning in 2020 I had looked forward to establishing the group with the sole aim of attracting newcomers to Church and building relationships with the local community. These plans were, like everything else, put on hold due to the nature of the pandemic and the ban on social mixing, rendering it almost impossible to begin children's work. Eighteen months later we were in a position to begin this new venture and people were quick to sign up and volunteer to help. There were a number of sessions in 2021 covering the themes of Harvest, Christ the King and Christmas. Some of which have attracted large numbers of children with a small group of children returning to each session. This method of outreach takes time to embed, and I hope will bear fruit as we enter into 2022 when hopefully life will return to some sense of normality.

Food Pantry

During a meeting of the PCC in the summer we able to consider our vision to point people to Jesus. The idea of a food pantry to serve the local community was one again that I had presented at my interview, grounded in the reality that the catholic tradition in which we stand has food at its heart, the eucharist, and from the eucharist, we are called to be bread for world, giving of ourselves for the sake of others. The food pantry is designed to alleviate some financial pressure on by providing a reasonable quantity of good quality food at a fraction of the price of a normal supermarket shop and so help people who would otherwise struggle.

The pantry is not the same as a food bank which supplies emergency food, it is based on the personal choice and selection of the individual. It is hoped that this project spearheaded by the church will impact our community in a positive way, reducing some of the pressures of daily living. Whilst this initiative has originated with us as a church, community partners such as Plus Dane Housing have offered to provide support and assistance. It is hoped that this project will be underway by the summer of 2022.

Fr Daniel Howard

**The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of
St. Columba, Anfield**

Trustees' Report for the year ended 31st December 2021

Financial Review

Results for the year

The results for the year are set out on page 20.

The PCC has implemented the Parish Giving Scheme as a means of securing a regular, tax efficient revenue stream.

Reserves policy

The Church has one employee, a Parish Centre Manager. Our aim is to have sufficient funds to cover redundancy should this occur. In addition, the PCC aim to have an amount equal to six months worth of unrestricted expenditure in reserve. At 31st December 2021, these items would amount to a total of approximately £42,000 (2020: £43,000).

The actual free reserves at 31st December 2021 were £31,952 (2020: £28,042). In calculating reserves, the trustees have excluded from total funds restricted income funds (£7,001) and tangible fixed assets (£550,926). The trustees will continue to monitor the situation.

Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of its surplus or deficit for that year. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable Accounting Standards and Statements of Recommended Practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report was approved by the Board of Trustees on 10th May 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

Fr Daniel Howard
Chairman

**The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of
St. Columba, Anfield**

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St. Columba, Anfield**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2021 which are set out on pages 20 to 29.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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

In connection with 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 Trust as required by section 130 of the Act: or
2. the accounts do not accord with the accounting 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 order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mr P J Collins FCA
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Chartered Accountants
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L39 2AY
10th May 2022

**The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of
St. Columba, Anfield**

**Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31st December 2021**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS	
				2021 £	2020 £
INCOME FROM:					
Donations and legacies	2	33,337	1,048	34,385	32,358
Other trading activities	3	33,550	0	33,550	30,322
Investments	4	2	0	2	18
Charitable activities	5	1,005	15,530	16,535	16,491
Other income	6	0	0	0	0
TOTAL INCOME		<u>67,894</u>	<u>16,578</u>	<u>84,472</u>	<u>79,189</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Raising funds	7	4,194	800	4,994	2,507
Charitable activities	8	60,406	12,158	72,564	72,512
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		<u>64,600</u>	<u>12,958</u>	<u>77,558</u>	<u>75,019</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		3,294	3,620	6,914	4,170
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS		0	0	0	0
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		<u>3,294</u>	<u>3,620</u>	<u>6,914</u>	<u>4,170</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward at 1st January 2021		578,968	3,381	582,349	578,179
Total funds carried forward at 31st December 2021		<u>582,262</u>	<u>7,001</u>	<u>589,263</u>	<u>582,349</u>

The notes on pages 22 to 29 form part of these accounts.

**The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of
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Balance Sheet at 31st December 2021

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	11	550,926	550,926
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	12	4,700	5,286
Cash at bank and in hand		36,997	29,308
Total current assets		<u>41,697</u>	<u>34,594</u>
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	13	3,360	3,171
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>38,337</u>	<u>31,423</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		589,263	582,349
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR		0	0
TOTAL NET ASSETS		<u>589,263</u>	<u>582,349</u>
THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY	15		
Unrestricted funds		582,262	578,968
Restricted funds		7,001	3,381
Total charity funds		<u>589,263</u>	<u>582,349</u>

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 10th May 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

.....
Fr Daniel Howard

.....
Miss Julie Holland

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**The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of
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**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31st December 2021**

1 Accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the valuation of investment assets, which are shown at market value. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations together with applicable accounting standards and the with the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2015 FRS 102).

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

Funds

General funds represent the funds of the Parochial Church Council ("charity") that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the charity. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the trustees are also unrestricted.

Restricted funds are funds subject to specific conditions imposed by the donors or through the terms of an appeal.

Transfers of funds are made to recognise the release of restricted funds or to meet expenditure not covered by restricted income.

Income:

Donations, legacies and other voluntary income

Voluntary income received by way of grants, donations and gifts is included in the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which it is received by or on behalf of the charity. Grants, where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.

Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received. Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when the income is recognised. Funds raised by the seasonal fairs, fundraising events and similar events are accounted for gross. Sales of books and magazines from the church bookstall are accounted for gross.

The charity received substantial amounts of voluntary help from its supporters, but no attempt is made to place a financial value on these services and they have not been included.

Grants receivable

Grants are credited to the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which they are receivable.

Other income

Rental income from the letting of the charity's premises is recognised when the rental is due.

Income from investments

Dividends and interest are accounted for when due and payable. Interest entitlements are accounted for as they accrue. Tax recoverable on such income is recognised in the same accounting period.

Gains and losses on investments

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

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1 Accounting policies (cont.)

Expenditure

Grants

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

Costs of raising funds.

All expenses relating to fundraising, publicity, public relations and investment management charges are charged to this heading.

Charitable activities

Charitable activities comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both the costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

The Diocesan Parish Share is accounted for when payable. Any Parish Share unpaid at 31st December is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not legal) liability and is shown as a creditor in the Balance Sheet.

Irrecoverable VAT

All resources expended are classified under activity headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the category of resources expended for which it was incurred.

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Consecrated property and movable church furnishings

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by section 10(2)(a) 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 accounted for as inalienable property unless consecrated. They are listed in the church's Inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For inalienable property acquired prior to 2000 there is insufficient cost information available and, therefore, such assets are not valued in the accounts. Items acquired since 1st January 2000 have been capitalised and depreciated in the accounts over their currently anticipated useful economic life (initially over 20 years) on a straight line basis. All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or benefice buildings, whether maintenance or improvement, is written off as expenditure in the SOFA and separately disclosed.

Freehold land and property is not depreciated, as in the view of the PCC they are maintained to a sufficiently high standard which ensures that the market value of the properties is not less than the carrying value shown in the accounts.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

All expenditure incurred during the year on individual items of equipment, fixtures and fittings with an original cost under £2000, are written off in the year in which the expenditure was incurred on the basis that due to the nature of the charity's activities, there is no expectation that the cost of the assets will be recovered in the way of future revenues.

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1 Accounting policies (cont.)

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Short leasehold land and buildings	-	Amortised over the period of the lease
Fixture & fittings	-	20% on cost
ICT equipment, including computers	-	33.33% on cost
Motor vehicles	-	25% reducing balance

Investments

Investments are valued at market value at 31st December. The statement of financial activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluation and disposals throughout the year.

Current Assets

Amounts owing to the charity at 31st December in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less provision for amounts that may prove uncollectible.

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at the bank.

Contingent Liabilities and Provisions

In accordance with the SORP, a contingent liability is disclosed for those grants, which do not represent liabilities, where the possible obligation, which arises from past events, will only be confirmed by the occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the trustees' control. Provisions are recognised for those grants where there is uncertainty as to the timing or amount, and any uncertainty regarding the amount is more than one of determining a basis for reasonable estimation of the liability arising from that constructive obligation.

Charitable status and taxation

As a registered charity, the charity benefits from rates' relief and is generally exempt from income tax and corporation tax. The charity is not registered for value added tax.

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2020 £
2 Donations and legacies						
Planned Giving:						
Gift Aid donations	10,712	0	10,712	12,645	0	12,645
Income Tax recoverable	4,111	0	4,111	5,308	0	5,308
Other planned giving	885	0	885	4,434	0	4,434
Collections (open plate) at all services	5,259	548	5,807	3,237	1,199	4,436
Donations	12,370	500	12,870	1,685	0	1,685
Legacies and bequests		0	0	3,850	0	3,850
	<u>33,337</u>	<u>1,048</u>	<u>34,385</u>	<u>31,159</u>	<u>1,199</u>	<u>32,358</u>
3 Other trading activities						
Room hire income	17,948	0	17,948	25,180	0	25,180
Café Income	3,534	0	3,534	1,928	0	1,928
Fundraising Income and activities	10,409	0	10,409	2,706	0	2,706
Wedding and funeral fees received	1,659	0	1,659	508	0	508
	<u>33,550</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>33,550</u>	<u>30,322</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>30,322</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements
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	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2020 £
4 Investments						
Dividends and interest (including any reclaimed tax):						
- on cash deposits	2	0	2	18	0	18
	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>18</u>
5 Charitable activities						
Bookstall	61	0	61	31	0	31
Grants:						
HMRC - Job Retention Scheme	0	6,030	6,030	0	8,307	8,307
Other grants	0	9,500	9,500	0	0	0
Walton Deanery	0	0	0	8,153	0	8,153
Walsingham trip income	944		944	0	0	0
	<u>1,005</u>	<u>15,530</u>	<u>16,535</u>	<u>8,184</u>	<u>8,307</u>	<u>16,491</u>
6 Other income						
Sale of assets	0	0	0	0	0	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
7 Raising funds						
Fundraising Costs and activities	1,411	200	1,611	100	0	100
Cafe and catering costs	2,783	600	3,383	2,407	0	2,407
	<u>4,194</u>	<u>800</u>	<u>4,994</u>	<u>2,507</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,507</u>
8 Charitable activities						
Missionary & charitable giving:						
Additional Curates' Society	0	0	0	0	0	0
Children's Society	0	280	280	0	0	0
Leprosy Mission	0	155	155	0	65	65
MacMillan Cancer Care	0	0	0	0	0	0
Walsingham Trust	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Vision	274	0	274	274	0	274
Walton Deanery	0	0	0	0	0	0
c/fwd	<u>274</u>	<u>435</u>	<u>709</u>	<u>274</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>339</u>

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		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2020 £
8 Charitable activities	Continued b/fwd	274	435	709	274	65	339
Ministry:							
Diocesan parish share		21,304	0	21,304	24,329	0	24,329
Vicarage housing costs		2,026	0	2,026	2,903	300	3,203
Vicarage telephone		653	0	653	852	0	852
Vicar's expenses			0	0	65	0	65
Church costs:							
Insurance		3,440	0	3,440	3,485	0	3,485
Heat and light		1,067	0	1,067	760	0	760
Rent and rates		305	0	305	262	0	262
Repairs and maintenance		3,654	4,624	8,278	5,172	0	5,172
Telephone & broadband		602	0	602	576	0	576
Community Centre costs:							
Rent and rates		855	0	855	518	0	518
Heat and light		6,907	0	6,907	6,906	0	6,906
Repairs, maintenance & cleaning		2,533	0	2,533	2,114	0	2,114
Wages - Centre manager		7,267	7,099	14,366	6,501	8,307	14,808
Pension - Centre manager		230	0	230	258	0	258
Organist's salary		1,900	0	1,900	1,900	0	1,900
Costs of services		1,182	0	1,182	1,126	0	1,126
Printing, postage and stationery		464	0	464	708	0	708
Hire of Equipment		817	0	817	1,130	0	1,130
Payroll, pension & grant claim costs		1,090	0	1,090	1,253	0	1,253
Walsingham trip costs		1,560	0	1,560	0	0	0
Walsingham Festival costs		308	0	308	0	0	0
Licences & Subscriptions		158	0	158	206	0	206
Accountancy and independent examination		1,320	0	1,320	1,284	0	1,284
Sundries		490	0	490	124	1,134	1,258
Depreciation on fixtures & fittings		0	0	0	0	0	0
(Profit)/loss on disposal of fixed		0	0	0	0	0	0
		<u>60,406</u>	<u>12,158</u>	<u>72,564</u>	<u>62,706</u>	<u>9,806</u>	<u>72,512</u>

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9 Net incoming resources	2021 £	2020 £
Net incoming resources is stated after charging:		
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	0	0
Profit/(loss) on disposal of fixed assets	0	0
Staff costs (see note 10)	16,496	16,966
	<u>16,496</u>	<u>16,966</u>

10 Staff Costs	2021 £	2020 £
Wages and Salaries	16,266	16,708
Social Security Costs	0	0
Pension Costs	230	258
	<u>16,496</u>	<u>16,966</u>

The average number of full-time equivalent employees (including casual and part-time staff) employed by the charity during the year was as follows:

	2021	2020
Administration	0	0
Centre manager	1	1
Organist	0	0
	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

During the year the charity employed members of staff as detailed above. None (2020: None) of whom earned more than £60,000 p.a. The trustees received £Nil remuneration (2020: £Nil) during the year. Trustees were reimbursed working expenses of £917 (2020: £756) for the year. There were no other discloseable transactions in respect of trustees, persons closely connected with them or other related parties.

11 Tangible Fixed Assets

	Freehold land & buildings £	Fixtures, fittings & equipment £	Total £
COST OR VALUATION			
At 1st January 2021	550,925	12,440	563,365
Additions	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0
At 31st December 2021	<u>550,925</u>	<u>12,440</u>	<u>563,365</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1st January 2021	0	12,439	12,439
Charge for the year	0	0	0
Depreciation on disposals	0	0	0
At 31st December 2021	<u>0</u>	<u>12,439</u>	<u>12,439</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31st December 2021	<u>550,925</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>550,926</u>
At 31st December, 2020	<u>550,925</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>550,926</u>

The freehold and leasehold buildings comprises the Community Centre located adjacent to the church. Equipment relates to various computers and a Flat Screen TV

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12 Debtors	2021	2020
	£	£
Income Tax recoverable	4,700	2,800
Prepayments and accrued income	0	2,486
	<u>4,700</u>	<u>5,286</u>

13 Liabilities: Amounts falling due within one year	2021	2020
	£	£
Trade creditors	0	854
Accruals and deferred income	3,360	2,317
	<u>3,360</u>	<u>3,171</u>

14 Analysis of Net Assets by Fund	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total
	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	550,926	0	550,926
Current Assets	34,696	7,001	41,697
Current Liabilities	(3,360)	0	(3,360)
Liabilities after more than one year	0	0	0
Fund Balance	<u>582,262</u>	<u>7,001</u>	<u>589,263</u>

15 Movement on funds	At 1st January 2021	Incoming Resources (inc. gains)	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	At 31st December 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
<u>Unrestricted funds</u>					
Capital Asset Fund	550,926	0	0	0	550,926
General fund	28,042	67,894	64,600		31,336
Total unrestricted funds	<u>578,968</u>	<u>67,894</u>	<u>64,600</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>582,262</u>
<u>Restricted funds</u>					
Café Fund	0	8,300	1,868	0	6,432
Charity Funds	0	548	436	0	112
Job Retention Scheme	0	6,030	6,030	0	0
Loop Hearing System	100	0	0	0	100
Roof Fund	0	1,700	4,624	2,924	0
School Mass Fund	357	0	0	0	357
Walsingham Festival	2,924	0	0	(2,924)	0
Total restricted funds	<u>3,381</u>	<u>16,578</u>	<u>12,958</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>7,001</u>
Total funds	<u>582,349</u>	<u>84,472</u>	<u>77,558</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>589,263</u>

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16 Fund Details

Details of the various funds held by the charity are as follows:

Name of fund	Description, nature and purposes of the fund
<u>Unrestricted funds</u>	
Capital Asset Fund	This fund represents the net book value of fixed assets.
General fund	Any monies not included in any other fund.
<u>Restricted funds</u>	
Café Fund	This fund was for monies received towards the costs of running the cafe.
Charity Funds	This fund was set up (as and when required) to collect monies to be given to other Charities.
Job Retention Scheme	These grants are received towards the costs of furloughing staff during the Covid 19 pandemic.
Loop Hearing System	This fund was set up many years ago to provide for a new loop hearing sound
Roof Fund	This fund was set up for monies received towards work on the church roof.
School Mass Fund	This grant was received towards the costs of setting up a mass group to work in schools.
Walsingham Festival	This fund was set up to receive monies towards the costs of attending the Walsingham Festival. Following contact with the charity, funds were allowed to be transferred to the roof fund.

17 Taxation

As a charity, the The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St. Columba, Anfield is exempt from tax on income and gains to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects. No tax charges have arisen in the Charity.

18 Contingent liabilities

The charity had no contingent liabilities at 31st December 2021 (2020: None).

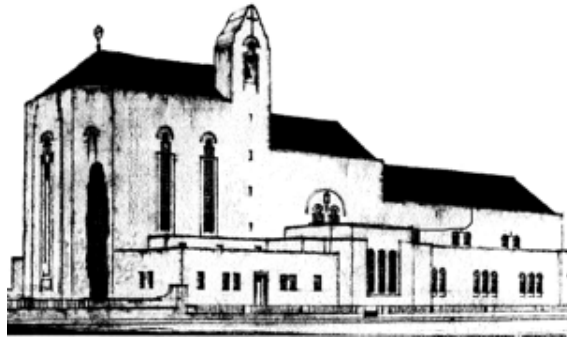
19 Capital commitments

The charity had no capital commitments at 31st December 2021 (2020: None) either contracted for or authorised by the trustees but not contracted for.

20 Related parties

The Parish Centre Manager, who is employed by the charity, is related to one of the trustees.

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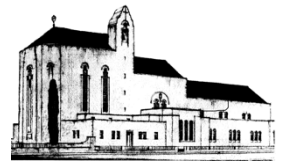
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Chairman's Report for the year ended 2020

Easter 2021

Dear Friends,

The Annual Meeting is a chance for us to take stock and look back at the past year. Needless to say, 2020 will be etched in our minds forever. Just three weeks after my induction as Vicar of the parish, we were all ordered to stay at home, and churches closed their doors for a period of four months. Last year was, for so many, one of the most difficult in living memory, and I would agree with that statement. Things have been extremely challenging for the Church, and in some ways, in this first quarter of 2021, we are still experiencing the effects and trying to overcome those challenges.

What happened to us as a parish last year? Despite the immeasurable damage caused by Covid-19, not least in the tragic loss of human life, Saint Columba's remained active and present in this community. During the first few months of the pandemic we undertook a number of funerals in the parish, and were able to offer the hope that was so desperately needed in such hopeless times. For many, there was a natural sadness that funerals could not take place in Church, but they were nevertheless conducted with the same dignity and grace, that we have become well respected for in Anfield and beyond.

Whilst our doors were closed, the round of prayer continued for the people of the parish, and resources were made available for all those on the electoral roll and those who requested them. These included packs for Lent, Easter and the immediate months following, comprising of orders for morning, evening and night prayer, and devotions such as the rosary, the stations of the cross and spiritual communion prayers and scripture reading plans. All of these things were designed to enable us to be spiritually fed whilst away from the sacrament. This was underpinned by the offering, privately, of the Mass on all Sundays and holy days.

In the early summer we were able to open our doors, initially for private prayer, and then, public worship once again; this was a great source of hope and comfort to those who came, others continued to shield to protect their health and those of their families. A long period of time was spent, prior to re-opening, working out how we could do so safely, adapting the building and our practices to those deemed 'Covid Secure', ensuring that social distancing, hand sanitization, thorough cleaning and clear rules were put in place. I am deeply grateful for those who assisted in any way in facilitating the commencement of public worship once again.

During this time we were able to have installed a new, largely wireless sound system; the previous installation had largely given up after a period of many years, and so, the money was used from the legacies of Edward Franklin and Rene Eve to install a new system which has substantially improved the sound within the Church, allowing everything to be heard clearly and affording us other options for recording and such in the future.

I was particularly pleased that Saint Columba's began the round of public worship as soon as it was legally possible, particularly when many, many churches remained closed; it was a joy to welcome Christians from other parishes to join in our worship. Whilst it was a joy to re-open, the worship was necessarily different, the absence of communal singing was a source of pain for many, and that has continued to be the case during these months of 2021, but we do take joy in the fact that the Mass is able to be celebrated, for it is the 'source and summit of the Christian life'.

Finance was, for so many people, a great cause of concern during the pandemic; people were anxious about their jobs and of course the maintenance of business. At the beginning of the pandemic I made the decision on behalf of the PCC to take advantage of the government's furlough scheme. This scheme has enabled us to look to the future with confidence and re-open Columba's Community Café as soon as it is safe to do so. I am likewise indebted to you, as the people of God, for your faithfulness during that most difficult year, for your continued generosity and the maintenance of your regular giving to the life of the church; this has enabled us to continue the work of Christian ministry – thank you! I must also formally thank Rosie & Jim's Nursery who have continued to pay rent for their use of the building throughout this last year. All of these things in combination have ensured that we have been able to meet all our financial commitments. However, moving forward we will need to keep this under constant review.

The PCC met in 2020 when it was safe and permitted to do so, particularly in the summer months and in October; however, with the second national lockdown, our physical meetings were somewhat frustrated, the main business of the PCC

was moved forward by the Churchwardens and I during that period. Since the last APCM there have been changes to the standing committee, Tony Oulton has stepped down as warden after several years in post – I am very grateful to Tony for his diligence and commitment over many years and I am delighted that he remains a PCC member. Carolyn Swash now fulfils the role of Churchwarden, along with Jeff Brandwood who was duly re-elected and my thanks go to them both for being willing to fulfil this role.

We were able to celebrate Advent and Christmas albeit differently last year, and whilst we missed much of the communal aspect and the socializing with one another, we nevertheless proclaimed with confidence once again that the Word became flesh: Christ Jesus came to save us. That is at the heart of what we believe, it is what we proclaim and it the rule by which we live. As we pray for an end to this pandemic it is my hope that we can come to realise this more deeply as Christian people and flowing from this renewed understanding seek to share it with others as ‘Missionary Disciples: Pointing People to Jesus’. One of my great inspirations in the recent period of the Church’s life is the French theologian, Fr Yves Congar, in his words: ‘if the Church boldly throws herself open to lay activity, she will experience such as springtime as we cannot imagine’. When the pandemic abates, we will move forward by God’s grace, in making this vision a reality – we will do it together.

Yours in Christ,

Fr Daniel

The Parish of Saint Columba's is a well-established Christian community, located in the suburb of Anfield and Deanery of Walton, within the Diocese of Liverpool.

Since the early incumbencies of Fr Norman Alcock and Fr James Howard Foy the parish has been firmly rooted in the Catholic tradition of the Church of England, and displays all its hallmarks both liturgically and doctrinally. The parish is led by Fr Daniel Howard, who was instituted as Vicar in February 2020. Fr Daniel is supported by two Churchwardens, Mr Jeff Brandwood and Mrs Carolyn Swash, and a Reader, Mr Adrian Manson, who holds the Bishop's License.

AIMS & PURPOSES

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) of the Parish of St Columba, Anfield has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent, Fr Daniel Howard, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the Church of St Columba, Anfield.

OBJECTIVES & ACTIVITIES

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship in our church and to become part of our community. Our vision is detailed below (this is not an exhaustive list):

- To be a community of 'Missionary Disciples: Pointing people to Jesus'.
- To allow people to worship God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, through regular attendance at mass and other public worship, and through daily personal prayer.
- To nurture a strong, welcoming Christian community, whose values are underpinned by the teaching of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- For all members of our church to grow in their Christian discipleship – praying, reading and learning.
- To reach out to the local community.
- To engage with our local school.
- To make a bigger difference in this community – telling, serving and giving.

- To providing pastoral care through baptism, wedding and funeral ministry as well as the visitation of the sick and dying.
- To offering teaching to children and young people and providing opportunity for them to explore matters of faith.
- To deliver catechetical and formational programmes.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

The Parochial Church Council is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2020), and is registered with the Charity Commission, number: 1129512 under the name 'The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St. Columba, Anfield'.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE & MANAGEMENT

The structure, governance and management of the parish is determined by the rules of the Church of England, in particular the Church Representation Rules 2020. This sets out the membership of the PCC, which consists of the incumbent (Vicar), other clergy licensed to the parish, and the reader (all *ex-officio*), together with the two churchwardens (elected at the Annual Meeting of Parishioners) and members of the laity elected to serve on the Deanery Synod or Parochial Church Council (both of which are elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting).

Governance of the parish is provided by the Vicar, Churchwardens and PCC, whilst day-to-day management is the responsibility of the Vicar, Churchwardens and Officers of the Parochial Church Council. Whether *ex-officio* or elected, together, all 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.

VICAR & CHAIRMAN:

Fr Daniel Howard SSC BA (Hons), M.St (Oxon)

HONORARY ASSISTANT PRIEST:

Fr Tom Allen

READER:

Mr Adrian Manson

CHURCHWARDENS:

Mr Jeffery Brandwood & Mrs Carolyn Swash

DEANERY SYNOD REPRESENTATIVES:

Mr Adrian Manson, Mrs Irene Campbell & Mr Jordan Mercer

STANDING COMMITTEE:

Fr Daniel Howard, Jeff Brandwood (Warden), Carolyn Swash (Warden), Irene Campbell (Secretary), Julie Holland (Treasurer).

The existence of the Standing Committee is required under the Church Representation Rules. It meets prior to PCC meetings to set the agenda for the meeting and transact delegated business.

The full membership list of the PCC is detailed below in the PCC report.

HEALTH & SAFETY OFFICER:

Mrs Carolyn Swash

PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICER:

Mrs Dawn Mercer

ELECTORAL ROLL OFFICER:

Mrs Marj Allen

DEPUTY CHURCHWARDENS:

Mrs Irene Campbell & Mr Tony Oulton

PARISH CENTRE MANAGER:

Mrs Sharon Oulton

STATUTORY REPORTS

REPORT ON THE ELECTORAL ROLL SINCE THE LAST AGM

Throughout the year we have maintained our register of names on the Electoral Roll, though sadly, since the last APCM we have suffered bereavement as a Church family, particularly through the loss of Harry Molton, a dedicated and loved former churchwarden.

The church has seen a number of new parishioners arrive who are settling in nicely. This year we are adding new names to the roll: Donna Forsyth, Stephen Forsyth, Andrew McDonald and David Singleton.

The total number on the roll therefore stands at 83, of whom 41 live within the parish and 42 live outside our boundaries.

Marj Allen
Electoral Roll Officer

Report on the Proceedings of the Parochial Church Council (2020)

It should be noted that this PCC report deals with 2020 as a whole, which, unusually, and as a result of the pandemic, meant that the APCM took place in October 2020 rather than in the first quarter of the year. The Diocesan Bishop extended the period in which the APCM could take place. The membership list of the PCC was, until the October APCM, the same as that listed in the 2019 annual report.

1. The membership of the PCC since October 2020 comprises Father Daniel Howard (Vicar & PCC Chair); Mr Jeff Brandwood (Church Warden & PCC Vice Chair); Mrs Carolyn Swash (Church Warden); Miss Julie Holland (Treasurer); Fr Tommy Allen (Assistant Priest), Mrs Irene Campbell (Deputy Church Warden, PCC Secretary and Deanery Synod Representative); Mr Adrian Manson (Reader & Deanery Representative); Mrs Dawn Mercer (Parish Safeguarding Officer); Mr Jordan Mercer (Deanery Representative); Mrs Jacqui Hale; Mr Tony Oulton; Mrs Irene Taylor, Mrs Lynn Colgan, Mrs Lori Roberts, Mr Robert Liston, Ms Patsy Watterson and Mr Malcolm Dorr.
2. In 2020, the PCC met on multiple occasions, prior to the arrival of the new incumbent, Fr Daniel Howard, on: 30/01/20 and since his induction on 18th February 2020, namely on: 09/03/20, 15/03/20, 28/06/20, 09/08/20, 30/08/20, 01/10/20 and 08/10/20. After the first PCC meeting chaired by the new incumbent, the country was placed into national lockdown measures by order of the government, and all Churches were closed for public worship

by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York. Once measures were eased, the PCC was able to meet in a socially distanced way to transact important business and make decisions pertaining to the parish. The APCM for the year ending 2019 thus had to take place on Sunday 18th October 2020. Since then, PCC had to meet infrequently due to the City of Liverpool suffering a further local lockdown and then national lockdown as a result of the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic. Up to this current APCM the PCC met on several occasions, including 27/01/21,

It should be noted, that these meetings, which take place in 2021, are noted here for reference in order to give a clearer picture of the impact of Covid-19 and the measures imposed by the government. Online platforms were utilised in these instances in order to transact essential PCC business, but the daily running of the parish was fulfilled by the Vicar in light of the continuing crisis with the support of the Churchwardens. Places of worship were closed for public worship from 5th November, public worship at Saint Columba's recommenced on 6th December, the Second Sunday of Advent. No major decisions were made during this period that required PCC consultation; priority was given to the ongoing pastoral care of the people, the resumption of public worship, ensuring the premises were kept 'Covid secure' and preparation duly made for Advent and Christmas.

3. Prior to the first national lockdown, the first PCC meeting with the new incumbent was well attended. We gave thanks to God for the life of Tracy Waddington, a member of the PCC who had recently died, her outstanding contribution to the life of the parish was acknowledged. Fr Daniel set out his vision for the future of the parish, as a community of 'Missionary Disciples: Pointing people to Jesus'. It was noted that the interregnum had been an extremely challenging time and over the course of the month since beginning as Vicar the situation had stabilised and Mass attendance was increasing. Plans for the future were discussed, and the PCC agreed to the purchasing of a new PA system. Fr Daniel noted that safeguarding was an immediate priority and the Diocese had placed the parish under review - this would be urgently carried out. Tracy Waddington had been the safeguarding officer for the parish, and it was agreed that Dawn Mercer should take over these responsibilities.
4. In addition to the regular reports received at each meeting including general updates, Deanery developments, discussion has also taken place on the following topics, when the PCC been permitted to meet due to the pandemic, including:

- **Safeguarding:** a safeguarding report can be seen below written jointly by the Vicar and the Parish Safeguarding Officer, Mrs Dawn Mercer.
- **Finance:** a financial report can be seen below written jointly by the Vicar and the treasurer, Miss Julie Holland.
- **Services:** Prior to the lockdown, the service pattern at Saint Columba's was revised. This was decided by the Vicar, in the hope that new and existing members of the Church may benefit from a change in timings. The Daily Office times are 9am and 5pm respectively, for Morning and Evening Prayer, said publicly Tuesday to Friday. The Mass times have also undergone slight revision, namely, Tuesday and Thursday at 7.00 pm, Wednesday at 12 noon and Friday at 10.00 am.
- **Support:** Once the pandemic had begun, the PCC recognised the need for further supporting the local parish community. Once we were permitted to open, food for the St Andrew's Community Foodbank was collected once again. And, in a specific effort to support local families and children attending Pinehurst Primary School, items for the children such as films and snacks have been collected – this was decided in light of the fact that families might not have enough income to spend on such items, but recognised that they would have a significant impact on the mental health of all.
- **Church & Parish Centre Buildings:** please see the fabric and ornaments report compiled by the Churchwardens.
- **Columba's Café:** with the onset of the pandemic in March 2020, all businesses, save essential retail were ordered to close, this included Columba's Café. At several points during the year reopening was considered and plans put in place, particularly detailed risk assessments, to ensure that we could do so in a safe manner. However, with each proposed opening, further restrictions were put in place that would either curtail custom (such as not being allowed to sit with different households) or further lockdowns imposed (tier 3) that prevented opening altogether. We look forward to the point in time when we can open safely that does not put staff or volunteers at risk.
- **Church Growth:** The PCC have understood the need to engage in missionary activity; once again, it must be the essential function of the parish. Every effort will be given to realising church growth after the pandemic has past. At the start of his incumbency, Fr Daniel outlined plans to attract new members to our worshipping community, this was

prevented with the onset of the pandemic, but remains a firm focus when we are able to function normally. Indeed, Church growth has been something that has experienced during the pandemic. The fact that the Church building has been open and the Mass offered has seen new members join our congregation – it is hoped that there will be a confirmation service when appropriate.

Irene Campbell
PCC Secretary

Safeguarding of Children and Vulnerable Adults

On 10th March 2020 the Archdeacon of Liverpool instigated a Safeguarding Review of the parish. Work began immediately to review all safeguarding procedures and policies to ensure that the parish was compliant with the latest safeguarding protocols. A substantial amount of work was undertaken in the days following 10th March. All those engaged in work with children or vulnerable adults were contacted and paperwork completed which collated personal information, relevant qualifications and contact details. Likewise, with this new system in place, confidential declaration forms were completed, code of safer working practices issued and copies of the 'Promoting a Safer Church' handbook from the House of Bishops were distributed. DBS checks were completed for eligible persons. This was also completed for all PCC members, to ensure that they understood the collective responsibility for safeguarding as trustees of the parish. With this review, the lead recruiter position had been vacant since Fr Ray's retirement and was fulfilled by the new Incumbent. Following the sad death of Tracy Waddington, who had acted as Safeguarding Officer, as has been detailed in the PCC report, Dawn Mercer was appointed to that position. Dawn underwent Safer Recruitment as she was new to this post; this included the taking up of references, a clear role description as well as the other items noted above. The PCC has adopted the House of Bishops Safeguarding Policy, and this, as well as the contact details for diocesan and local safeguarding advisors feature on the 'Promoting a Safer Church' poster located around the building. The Vicar ensured that Rosie & Jim's Nursery, as well as other user groups have signed the declaration to comply with the parish safeguarding policy. Training for those who undertake work with children, as well as for those in positions of leadership (PCC) is ongoing.

Fr Daniel Howard & Dawn Mercer

Financial Report of the Parochial Church Council

Finance was, for so many people, a great cause of concern during the crisis; people were anxious about their jobs and of course the maintenance of business. At the beginning of the pandemic the decision was made on behalf of the PCC to take advantage of the government's furlough scheme. This scheme has enabled us to look to the future with confidence and re-open Columba's Community Café as soon as it is safe to do so. We would like to record our most heartfelt thanks to you, as the people of God, for your faithfulness during that most difficult year. Your continued generosity and the maintenance of your regular giving to the life of the church has enabled us to continue the work of Christian ministry – thank you! We must also formally thank Rosie & Jim's Nursery who continued to pay rent for their use of the building throughout this last year. All of these things in combination have ensured that we have been able to meet all our financial commitments. However, moving forward we will need to keep this under constant review for the road ahead is uncertain, and we must soon turn our attention to major building work projects in order to restore our building to its former glory. A financial overview will be given at the meeting.

Fr Daniel Howard & Julie Holland

The Accounts and Independent Examiner's Report can be found in the pages following these reports, and are to be read in conjunction with these statements.

Report on the Fabric, Goods and Ornaments of the Churches of the Parish Church & Community Centre

The overall stewardship of the 'Fabric, Goods and Ornaments' is an ongoing task undertaken by the Churchwardens year by year. This Fabric, Goods and Ornaments report is the process by which the Church of England oversees and ensures good management of all the Church physical assets. In 2020 the following works have been completed or undertaken:

- A proportion of the grounds outside the Vicarage have been reflagged – this was at the expense of the Diocese. The flags had lifted due to the roots of the tree located by the gate protruding. This has greatly increased evenness of the path, however we note that there are other parts of the grounds that need substantial work.

- The lightening conductor was inspected in July 2020 and found to be in good condition.
- The smoke detectors, fitted into the ceilings around the parish centre were all tested in July 2020 and found to be working correctly
- A safe located in the sacristy was repaired after issues with the locking mechanism resulted in the safe not being able to be secured appropriately.
- The Church heaters were all serviced and one problem was discovered, the heater in the Lady Chapel has been disconnected from the gas mains as it is beyond repair.
- The light in the Spooner Porch (the door adjacent to the Vicarage) was replaced by an electrician.
- Some electrical rewiring has taken place within the Church and parish centre that had become faulty, it was replaced in a like for like manner.
- The door leading into the Church foyer has been repaired as it was deemed unsafe and could cause serious injury.
- The lift in the foyer, leading to the first floor of the parish centre had substantial safety issues, namely the rollers needed replacing, these were replaced to ensure future safety.
- The gutters were cleared on the Church roof and as far as possible along the roof of the hall to ensure that water could pass through easily and drain through the pipes.
- The cooker hood located in the kitchen in the Bishop James room of the nursery now occupied by Rosie & Jim's was broken and was therefore replaced with a new fan and fixtures.
- The roller shutters leading to the outside play area in the Bishop James section of the nursery were broken and were thus repaired.
- A bees nest was lodged in the upper region of the roof of the Bishop James room and was treated by a pest control expert
- The fire extinguishers were serviced/replaced as necessary to ensure compliance.

- The heating system located in the boiler room adjacent to the Bishop James room (which serves the whole parish centre) was serviced and found to be in good working order.
- A new sound system was installed into Church during the summer months, replacing the older one which had become defective, this was on a like for like basis, with wires being laid under the carpet by the nave altar and wireless functionality installed.
- The locking mechanism was replaced on the door to the basement of the Church after access had become problematic due to the warping of the metal fixtures in the door.

As is detailed in the latest Quinquennial Report in 2019, we recognise that other essential work, namely the plaster erosion in Church, the need for a new roof and the replacement of many of the doors and shutters need to be carried out. These remain priorities that will be undertaken as soon as is possible.

Jeff Brandwood & Carolyn Swash
Churchwardens

NON-STATUTORY REPORTS

Report on the Proceedings of the Deanery Synod

2020 was an unprecedented year for the Deanery in two respects. Firstly, all Deaneries became responsible for allocation and calculation of Parish Share. This had to be significantly higher this year, in order for the Diocese to achieve a break even budget, meaning more money for parishes within the Deanery to find. Secondly, the Coronavirus pandemic meant that none of the usual quarterly meetings of the Deanery Synod could go ahead.

Adrian Manson
Deanery Synod Representative

Pinehurst Primary School

The link between St Columba's and Pinehurst Primary School has been strengthened in recent months, particularly through the pandemic. From the summer of 2020 I have served once again on the governing body and which has, collectively, tried to support the new Headteacher in unprecedented circumstances. Whilst access to the school for governors was not permitted due to the Covid regulations, we were able as a parish to engage in a very important missional activity during this time. The marks of mission of the Anglican Communion notes the importance of responding to human need with loving kindness. Whilst we continue to support the Foodbank located at St Andrew's, the PCC supported the initiative to provide films and snacks for local children. We are all too aware of the financial pressure that the pandemic has caused and the impact that has had on parents in particular; we have seen in the news that often money would stretch only to the essentials. The offering of snacks and films from the parish has meant that we have contributed to the wellbeing of children within our boundaries and beyond which has been generously supported and gratefully received.

Fr Daniel

**The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of
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Trustees' Report for the year ended 31st December 2020 (continued)

Financial Review

Results for the year

The results for the year are set out on page 20.

The PCC has implemented the Parish Giving Scheme as a means of securing a regular, tax efficient revenue stream.

Reserves policy

The Church has one employee, a Parish Centre Manager. Our aim is to have sufficient funds to cover redundancy should this occur. In addition, the PCC aim to have an amount equal to six months worth of unrestricted expenditure in reserve. At 31st December 2020, these items would amount to a total of approximately £43,000 (2019: £44,000).

The actual free reserves at 31st December 2020 were £28,042 (2019: £23,572). In calculating reserves, the trustees have excluded from total funds restricted income funds (£3,381) and tangible fixed assets (£550,926). The trustees will continue to monitor the situation.

Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of its surplus or deficit for that year. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable Accounting Standards and Statements of Recommended Practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report was approved by the Board of Trustees on 12th May 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

Fr Daniel Howard
Chairman

**The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of
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**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St. Columba, Anfield**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2020 which are set out on pages 20 to 29.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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

In connection with 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 Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with the accounting 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 order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**Mr P J Collins FCA
Collins & Co
Chartered Accountants
Suite 13 Hattersley House
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L39 2AY
12th May 2021**

**The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of
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**Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31st December 2020**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS	
				2020 £	2019 £
INCOME FROM:					
Donations and legacies	2	31,159	1,199	32,358	29,708
Other trading activities	3	30,322	0	30,322	29,380
Investments	4	18	0	18	65
Charitable activities	5	8,184	8,307	16,491	388
Other income	6	0	0	0	0
TOTAL INCOME		<u>69,683</u>	<u>9,506</u>	<u>79,189</u>	<u>59,541</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Raising funds	7	2,507	0	2,507	8,332
Charitable activities	8	62,706	9,806	72,512	69,454
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		<u>65,213</u>	<u>9,806</u>	<u>75,019</u>	<u>77,786</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		4,470	(300)	4,170	(18,245)
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS		0	0	0	0
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		<u>4,470</u>	<u>(300)</u>	<u>4,170</u>	<u>(18,245)</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward at 1st January 2020		574,498	3,681	578,179	596,209
Total funds carried forward at 31st December 2020		<u>578,968</u>	<u>3,381</u>	<u>582,349</u>	<u>577,964</u>

The notes on pages 22 to 29 form part of these accounts.

**The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of
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Balance Sheet at 31st December 2020

	Note	2020 £	2019 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	11	550,926	550,926
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	12	5,286	4,904
Cash at bank and in hand		29,308	26,433
Total current assets		<u>34,594</u>	<u>31,337</u>
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	13	3,171	4,084
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>31,423</u>	<u>27,253</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		582,349	578,179
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR		0	0
TOTAL NET ASSETS		<u><u>582,349</u></u>	<u><u>578,179</u></u>
THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY	15		
Unrestricted funds		578,968	574,498
Restricted funds		3,381	3,681
Total charity funds		<u><u>582,349</u></u>	<u><u>578,179</u></u>

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 12th May 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

.....
Fr Daniel Howard

.....
Miss Julie Holland

The notes on pages 22 to 29 form part of these accounts.

**The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of
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**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31st December 2020**

1 Accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the valuation of investment assets, which are shown at market value. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations together with applicable accounting standards and the with the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2015 FRS 102).

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

Funds

General funds represent the funds of the Parochial Church Council ("charity") that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the charity. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the trustees are also unrestricted.

Restricted funds are funds subject to specific conditions imposed by the donors or through the terms of an appeal.

Transfers of funds are made to recognise the release of restricted funds or to meet expenditure not covered by restricted income.

Income:

Donations, legacies and other voluntary income

Voluntary income received by way of grants, donations and gifts is included in the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which it is received by or on behalf of the charity. Grants, where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.

Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received. Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when the income is recognised. Funds raised by the seasonal fairs, fundraising events and similar events are accounted for gross. Sales of books and magazines from the church bookstall are accounted for gross.

The charity received substantial amounts of voluntary help from its supporters, but no attempt is made to place a financial value on these services and they have not been included.

Grants receivable

Grants are credited to the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which they are receivable.

Other income

Rental income from the letting of the charity's premises is recognised when the rental is due.

Income from investments

Dividends and interest are accounted for when due and payable. Interest entitlements are accounted for as they accrue. Tax recoverable on such income is recognised in the same accounting period.

Gains and losses on investments

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

**The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of
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**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31st December 2020 (continued)**

1 Accounting policies (cont.)

Expenditure

Grants

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

Costs of raising funds.

All expenses relating to fundraising, publicity, public relations and investment management charges are charged to this heading.

Charitable activities

Charitable activities comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both the costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

The Diocesan Parish Share is accounted for when payable. Any Parish Share unpaid at 31st December is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not legal) liability and is shown as a creditor in the Balance Sheet.

Irrecoverable VAT

All resources expended are classified under activity headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the category of resources expended for which it was incurred.

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Consecrated property and movable church furnishings

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by section 10(2)(a) 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 accounted for as inalienable property unless consecrated. They are listed in the church's Inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For inalienable property acquired prior to 2000 there is insufficient cost information available and, therefore, such assets are not valued in the accounts. Items acquired since 1st January 2000 have been capitalised and depreciated in the accounts over their currently anticipated useful economic life (initially over 20 years) on a straight line basis. All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or benefice buildings, whether maintenance or improvement, is written off as expenditure in the SOFA and separately disclosed.

Freehold land and property is not depreciated, as in the view of the PCC they are maintained to a sufficiently high standard which ensures that the market value of the properties is not less than the carrying value shown in the accounts.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

All expenditure incurred during the year on individual items of equipment, fixtures and fittings with an original cost under £2000, are written off in the year in which the expenditure was incurred on the basis that due to the nature of the charity's activities, there is no expectation that the cost of the assets will be recovered in the way of future revenues.

**The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of
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**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31st December 2020 (continued)**

1 Accounting policies (cont.)

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Short leasehold land and buildings	-	Amortised over the period of the lease
Fixture & fittings	-	20% on cost
ICT equipment, including computers	-	33.33% on cost
Motor vehicles	-	25% reducing balance

Investments

Investments are valued at market value at 31st December. The statement of financial activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluation and disposals throughout the year.

Current Assets

Amounts owing to the charity at 31st December in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less provision for amounts that may prove uncollectible.

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at the bank.

Contingent Liabilities and Provisions

In accordance with the SORP, a contingent liability is disclosed for those grants, which do not represent liabilities, where the possible obligation, which arises from past events, will only be confirmed by the occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the trustees' control. Provisions are recognised for those grants where there is uncertainty as to the timing or amount, and any uncertainty regarding the amount is more than one of determining a basis for reasonable estimation of the liability arising from that constructive obligation.

Charitable status and taxation

As a registered charity, the charity benefits from rates' relief and is generally exempt from income tax and corporation tax. The charity is not registered for value added tax.

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2020 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2019 £
2 Donations and legacies						
Planned Giving:						
Gift Aid donations	12,645	0	12,645	10,589	0	10,589
Income Tax recoverable	5,308	0	5,308	5,608	0	5,608
Other planned giving	4,434	0	4,434	1,645	0	1,645
Collections (open plate) at all services	3,237	1,199	4,436	4,667	2,451	7,118
Donations	1,685	0	1,685	4,748	0	4,748
Legacies and bequests	3,850	0	3,850	0	0	0
	<u>31,159</u>	<u>1,199</u>	<u>32,358</u>	<u>27,257</u>	<u>2,451</u>	<u>29,708</u>
3 Other trading activities						
Room hire income	25,180	0	25,180	11,000	0	11,000
Café Income	1,928	0	1,928	9,450	0	9,450
Fundraising Income and activities	2,706	0	2,706	6,516	0	6,516
Wedding and funeral fees received	508	0	508	2,414	0	2,414
	<u>30,322</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>30,322</u>	<u>29,380</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>29,380</u>

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	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2020 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2019 £
4 Investments						
Dividends and interest (including any reclaimed tax):						
- on cash deposits	18	0	18	65	0	65
	<u>18</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>65</u>
5 Charitable activities						
Bookstall	31	0	31	88	0	88
Grants:						0
HMRC - Job Retention Scheme	0	8,307	8,307	0	0	0
Liverpool Diocese	0	0	0	0	300	300
Walton Deanery	8,153	0	8,153	0	0	0
Walsingham trip income	0	0	0	0	0	0
	<u>8,184</u>	<u>8,307</u>	<u>16,491</u>	<u>88</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>388</u>
6 Other income						
Sale of assets	0	0	0	0	0	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
7 Raising funds						
Fundraising Costs and activities	100	0	100	401	0	401
Cafe and catering costs	2,407	0	2,407	7,931	0	7,931
	<u>2,507</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,507</u>	<u>8,332</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>8,332</u>
8 Charitable activities						
Missionary & charitable giving:						
Additional Curates' Society	0	0	0	86	414	500
Children's Society	0	0	0	0	290	290
Leprosy Mission	0	65	65	0	242	242
MacMillan Cancer Care	0	0	0	59	545	604
Walsingham Trust	0	0	0	40	0	40
World Vision	274	0	274	274	0	274
Walton Deanery		0	0	60	0	60
c/fwd	<u>274</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>339</u>	<u>519</u>	<u>1,491</u>	<u>2,010</u>

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		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2020 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2019 £
8 Charitable activities	Continued b/fwd	274	65	339	519	1,491	2,010
Ministry:							
Diocesan parish share		24,329	0	24,329	21,165	0	21,165
Vicarage housing costs		2,903	300	3,203	2,316	0	2,316
Vicarage telephone		852	0	852	756	0	756
Vicar's expenses		65	0	65	0	0	0
Church costs:							
Insurance		3,485	0	3,485	3,553	0	3,553
Heat and light		760	0	760	904	0	904
Rent and rates		262	0	262	238	0	238
Repairs and maintenance		5,172	0	5,172	2,076	0	2,076
Telephone & broadband		576	0	576	870	0	870
Community Centre costs:							
Rent and rates		518	0	518	811	0	811
Heat and light		6,906	0	6,906	6,852	0	6,852
Repairs, maintenance & cleaning		2,114	0	2,114	3,053	0	3,053
Wages - Centre manager		6,501	8,307	14,808	14,672	0	14,672
Pension - Centre manager		258	0	258	215	0	215
Organist's salary		1,900	0	1,900	1,400	0	1,400
Costs of services		1,126	0	1,126	2,655	0	2,655
Printing, postage and stationery		708	0	708	932	0	932
Hire of Equipment		1,130	0	1,130	1,130	0	1,130
Payroll, pension & grant claim costs		1,253	0	1,253	722	0	722
Walsingham trip costs		0	0	0	0	0	0
Walsingham Festival costs		0	0	0	0	80	80
Licences & Subscriptions		206	0	206	128	0	128
Accountancy and independent examination		1,284	0	1,284	1,236	0	1,236
Sundries		124	1,134	1,258	419	1,261	1,680
Depreciation on fixtures & fittings		0	0	0	0	0	0
(Profit)/loss on disposal of fixed		0	0	0	0	0	0
		<u>62,706</u>	<u>9,806</u>	<u>72,512</u>	<u>66,622</u>	<u>2,832</u>	<u>69,454</u>

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9 Net incoming resources	2020 £	2019 £
Net incoming resources is stated after charging:		
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	0	0
Profit/(loss) on disposal of fixed assets	0	0
Staff costs (see note 10)	16,966	16,287
	<u>16,966</u>	<u>16,287</u>

10 Staff Costs	2020 £	2019 £
Wages and Salaries	16,708	16,072
Social Security Costs	0	0
Pension Costs	258	215
	<u>16,966</u>	<u>16,287</u>

The average number of full-time equivalent employees (including casual and part-time staff) employed by the charity during the year was as follows:

	2020	2019
Administration	0	0
Centre manager	1	1
Organist	0	0
	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

During the year the charity employed members of staff as detailed above. None (2019: None) of whom earned more than £60,000 p.a. The trustees received £Nil remuneration (2019: £Nil) during the year. Trustees were reimbursed working expenses of £917 (2019: £756) for the year. There were no other discloseable transactions in respect of trustees, persons closely connected with them or other related parties.

11 Tangible Fixed Assets

	Freehold land & buildings £	Fixtures, fittings & equipment £	Total £
COST OR VALUATION			
At 1st January 2020	550,925	12,440	563,365
Additions	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0
At 31st December 2020	<u>550,925</u>	<u>12,440</u>	<u>563,365</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1st January 2020	0	12,439	12,439
Charge for the year	0	0	0
Depreciation on disposals	0	0	0
At 31st December 2020	<u>0</u>	<u>12,439</u>	<u>12,439</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31st December 2020	<u>550,925</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>550,926</u>
At 31st December, 2019	<u>550,925</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>550,926</u>

The freehold and leasehold buildings comprises the Community Centre located adjacent to the church. Equipment relates to various computers and a Flat Screen TV

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12 Debtors	2020	2019
	£	£
Income Tax recoverable	2,800	2,000
Prepayments and accrued income	2,486	2,904
	<u>5,286</u>	<u>4,904</u>

13 Liabilities: Amounts falling due within one year	2020	2019
	£	£
Trade creditors	854	1,991
Accruals and deferred income	2,317	2,093
	<u>3,171</u>	<u>4,084</u>

14 Analysis of Net Assets by Fund	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total
	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	550,926	0	550,926
Current Assets	31,213	3,381	34,594
Current Liabilities	(3,171)	0	(3,171)
Liabilities after more than one year	0	0	0
Fund Balance	<u>578,968</u>	<u>3,381</u>	<u>582,349</u>

15 Movement on funds	At 1st January 2020 £	Incoming Resources (inc. gains) £	Outgoing Resources £	Transfers £	At 31st December 2020 £
<u>Unrestricted funds</u>					
Capital Asset Fund	550,926	0	0	0	550,926
General fund	23,572	69,683	65,213	0	28,042
Total unrestricted funds	<u>574,498</u>	<u>69,683</u>	<u>65,213</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>578,968</u>
<u>Restricted funds</u>					
Decorating fund	300	0	300	0	0
Gifts fund	0	1,134	1,134	0	0
Job Retention Scheme	0	8,307	8,307	0	0
Leprosy Mission fund	0	65	65	0	0
Loop Hearing System	100	0	0	0	100
School Mass Fund	357	0	0	0	357
Walsingham Festival	2,924	0	0	0	2,924
Total restricted funds	<u>3,681</u>	<u>9,506</u>	<u>9,806</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,381</u>
Total funds	<u>578,179</u>	<u>79,189</u>	<u>75,019</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>582,349</u>

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16 Fund Details

Details of the various funds held by the charity are as follows:

Name of fund	Description, nature and purposes of the fund
<u>Unrestricted funds</u>	
Capital Asset Fund	This fund represents the net book value of fixed assets.
General fund	Any monies not included in any other fund.
<u>Restricted funds</u>	
Decorating fund	This fund was a grant received towards decorating the vicarage.
Gifts fund	This fund was set up (as and when required) to collect monies to be given as gifts to individuals.
Job Retention Scheme	These grants are received towards the costs of furloughing staff during the Covid 19 pandemic.
Leprosy Mission fund	This fund was set up (as and when required) to collect monies to be forwarded onto this Christian missionary society.
Loop Hearing System	This fund was set up many years ago to provide for a new loop hearing sound
School Mass Fund	This grant was received towards the costs of setting up a mass group to work in schools.
Walsingham Festival	This fund was set up to receive monies towards the costs of attending the Walsingham Festival.

17 Taxation

As a charity, the The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St. Columba, Anfield is exempt from tax on income and gains to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects. No tax charges have arisen in the Charity.

18 Contingent liabilities

The charity had no contingent liabilities at 31st December 2020 (2019: None).

19 Capital commitments

The charity had no capital commitments at 31st December 2020 (2019: None) either contracted for or authorised by the trustees but not contracted for.

20 Related parties

The Parish Centre Manager, who is employed by the charity, is related to one of the trustees.