



Filey Parish

St. Oswald's St. John's St. Thomas'

2023 Report and Accounts of the Parochial Church Council

Structure, governance, management & administrative information

The Anglican Parish of St Oswald's, Filey (with St John's, Filey and St Thomas', Gristhorpe) in the Diocese of York. The Parish of Filey is a registered Charity and the number is 1130668 .

The Parish of Filey consists of St Oswald's and St John's in Filey and St Thomas' in the village of Gristhorpe. It is part of the Diocese of York within the Church of England. The correspondence address is The Parish Office, St John's Church, West Avenue, Filey YO14 9AU. The Vicar's correspondence address is The Vicarage, 19 Cormorant Close, Filey YO14 0ED

Filey Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Reverend Philip Maudsley (from September 2023), promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the churches of St. Oswald's, Church Hill, Filey YO14 9ET; St John's West Avenue, Filey YO14 9AU which incorporates The Parish Centre. St Thomas', Main Street, Gristhorpe YO14 9PP has the status of a private Chapel and has its own church committee, liaising with the PCC.

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. The membership of Filey PCC consists of the incumbent Philip Maudsley, churchwardens, members elected by those members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church and the Treasurer and Secretary.

All those who attend our services/members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the Parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. The PCC had 11 meetings with an average attendance of 67.7% responsibilities the PCC has a number of committees each dealing with a particular aspect of parish life. These committees include worship, mission and outreach, fabric, finance and staffing are all responsible to the PCC and report their recommendations to the PCC for discussion and decision as required.

The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2006). The PCC is registered with the Charity Commissioners, registration number 1130668.

PCC members who served from APCM May 2023 until the date this report was approved are:
Incumbent and Chairman: Angela Burkitt (January 2023 – August 2023) Rev Philip Maudsley
from September 2023

Treasurer: Vacancy

Honorary Secretary: Janice Midwood

St Oswald's Wardens: Angela Burkitt

St John's Wardens: Vacancy

St Thomas' Wardens: Ann Sargent

Elected Representatives on the Deanery Synod: Paul Luxton & Claire Stubbs

Elected members:

John Clarke, Margaret Clarke, Anne Mead (resigned Oct 2023), Janice Midwood, Pam Roberts, Gill Wilkinson, Graham Wilkinson, Christine Wilson, David Wilson.

Co-opted members: Rev Huw Waring (Parish Curate resigned March 2024) Elizabeth Goodwill (Safeguarding Officer)

Related party transactions with PCC members are dealt with in note 4 to the financial statements.

Safeguarding

All our licensed readers, lay workers, churchwardens and PCC **must have 'due regard'** to safeguarding guidance issued by the House of Bishops. A duty to have 'due regard' to guidance means that the person under the duty is not free to disregard it but is required to follow it unless there are cogent reasons for not doing so. ('Cogent' for this purpose means clear, logical and convincing.)

Filey Parish has a safeguarding policy which is for all church groups and is expected for all those who use our buildings. All groups should have risk assessments which again need to be kept up to date and relevant for the group or 'one off' activity. All volunteers are expected to provide personal information which includes the areas that they work within our churches; this includes a Self Declaration form to state that they do not have any criminal convictions which may impede their work with the two groups stated- children and Vulnerable adults. We also expect volunteers to complete both the two foundation courses online provided by the Diocese of York. All Training and paperwork is renewable after three years of the signing date, so that Volunteer safe guarding paperwork is kept up to date.

Safeguarding continues to be an important part of how we ensure everyone who is a part of our ministry and Parish are valued and working in a safe way for themselves and those who they come into contact with. Those members in positions of leadership have been actively taking part and renewing their safeguarding training provided by the Diocese.

Liz Goodwill is the Safeguarding Officer in the Parish and has Maggie Hebden working alongside her as an administrative support, this enables the safe working practice for all volunteers and a safe environment for those who join the groups, worship and use the buildings within our Parish.

Liz Goodwill

Parish Safeguarding Officer

Aim and purposes

Filey Parish exists to further the mission of the world-wide church and of the Church of England in particular. Its chief objectives within this aim are:

- The regular worship of God: The Father, Son and Holy Spirit
- The teaching of Christian faith and doctrine to all ages
- The pastoral care of parishioners
- Evangelism and outreach
- Offering friendship and fellowship to parishioners and visitors alike
- To identify and make best use of the gifts and skills of both clergy and laity
- To co-operate as closely as possible with the other Christian churches in the town (Churches Together in Filey), seeking to live out the terms of the covenant made between them in the year 2000AD

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

When planning our activities for the year, we have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the supplementary guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. In particular, we try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

- Worship and prayer; learning about the Gospel; and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus.
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish.
- Missionary and outreach work.

To facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain the fabric of all our Churches and The Parish Centre@ St Johns.

The Parish aims to provide opportunities for regular worship at the Parish Church, and the two other Anglican church buildings within Filey and Gristhorpe. Its ministry is offered to all who live in the Parish, without distinction. We seek to work closely with the other Christian denominations within the town.

Objectives and Activities

As people of faith, our purpose is to worship and serve God both in the life of the Church and the wider community. We believe in a loving God revealed to us through the Bible and the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. We are flawed people, but ... God's grace reaches out to everyone. THEREFORE:

Our Mission is to be the family of Christ, who love and serve God, filled by the Holy Spirit, sharing God's love in word and action. We endeavour to do this in three ways:

- Deepening our faith. By developing a richness of commitment and becoming more Christ-like.
- Growing the Church. By reaching out to others with God's love, building fellowship and adding to our numbers those who believe.
- Serving the community. By having concern for the needs of others and respond in the way of Christ with compassion, kindness, humility and patience.

Legacy Policy

The policy was last reviewed in Nov 2022. The overriding aim is to use legacy gifts to further the work of the church here in Filey, including mission and outreach to the people of Filey and the development of our buildings, facilities or staff to help that happen. The overriding aim of this policy is to use every gift received to make a real and meaningful difference in the parish where it is most needed. Accordingly, the PCC encourages donors to leave their legacy gift for the general purposes of the parish.

Achievements and Performance

Vicar of Filey report.

Thank you to all who have worked so hard to keep these places of worship running smoothly during the vacancy. Recognition goes to Rev Sam Taylor who as Area Dean supported the Parish so much both before and since I started. My special thanks to Bishop Eleanor who took the time to meet the whole family and help them to feel settled in their new home.

Now is the time to move forward as a whole parish, to embrace what the future holds; to pray look for those who God has asked to step forward in their faith to ensure that our ministry here will grow and thrive.

I have spent a lot of time listening to and getting to know people at the churches, local schools, and through my chaplaincies of the RNLI, Sea Cadets, Police and Royal British Legion.

I pray the benefice services will continue beyond 2024, and become a productive pattern of services and events when we can come together in prayer, worship and fellowship. This act of joining together in worship was also highlighted through our well-attended Remembrance Day Service at St Oswald's and Filey Memorial Garden, where we welcomed members of the local community and various groups. Our Churches Together events during Advent where different denominations stood together in worship were well attended. This is something on which I want all of us to continue to work and build on together, alongside working with the Scarborough Deanery.

As we move into 2024, we need to continue listening to each other and to the Holy Spirit – our planned prayer walks and listening events will help with this. Many have expressed a desire already for us to develop the attendance and work with families and children within our community and the local schools. I have started to create links with Filey Infant School and Filey Junior School, especially through assemblies and class visits to church, and hope to develop these links further in the coming year along with Filey High School. This has shown early promise through our carol service in December where the head girl from the High School gave us one of our readings. This and the Crib service, which was very well attended, were just two highlights out of a busy yet exciting and rewarding season. The Advent trail around the Parish was kindly hosted by businesses in Filey. This raised our profile in the Parish. Although no new families attended the Epiphany service in January, I look forward to the planning of a Christmas Tree Festival for Advent next year instead.

Part of our vision of welcome for all needs to be how we make church accessible to families who experience special needs of any kind, and how we make our church family even more accessible and inclusive, especially for those who don't attend regularly. As a start to this we began a new group – "Multiply" which is aimed at 18-30 year olds and meets fortnightly for games, chat, and food. What started with 3, has increased to 8 and I pray that this can continue to build, grow and develop.

I am encouraged by the generous attitude of the PCC, and appreciate their support, time and experience they so freely share. This way of approaching giving needs to be shared widely; to give and not expect anything in return. We will continue to support charities – local, national and international, and can also consider as individuals if there is an area we can support further with our time, talents or finances. To think about how we can continue to bless others without expecting any payback.

There have already been many examples of good stewardship since I arrived, with many people giving time, talents and resources – we need to continue to build on this to make this parish thrive and flourish and meeting more through the week.

As a PCC my hope is that we will develop a vision together in 2024, and create realistic targets to work towards; one we have started on is how we make a visit to our church buildings be one which is warm, welcoming, and memorable to everyone. A focus has to be on how we make this building and ourselves a place people leave feeling blessed, happy and uplifted – this needs to be the first impression people receive when they arrive and the last impression as they leave again – and this needs to be through our buildings and, more importantly, through the people within it, showing joy on our faces; how do we modernise our worship and outreach in the 21st Century?

“At the Helm” of all this is still Jesus Christ, our Lord, who has said “Apart from me you can do nothing”. (John 15:5) “If he is for us then who can stand against us.” Take some time to pray, and to encourage one another in all that we seek to do.

Thank you to Angela and Anne as Churchwardens and Liz as my PA for all their support, and I look forward to continuing working with them over the next year. Also to all those on the PCC and various committees who give their time, knowledge and talents to work so hard behind the scenes – thank you.

Whatever the future holds we should embrace it together and support each other and the wider community whenever and wherever we can – speaking words of love that will build up and enable our church to thrive, not words that harm, hurt and pull down. Accepting that we all look for different things, but that we all have the common thread of Jesus Christ, our risen Lord and Saviour, as central to our lives, let’s strive to build up a parish that welcomes anyone and everyone into our church family.

Rev Phil

Parochial Church Council (PCC) Secretary Report March 2024

PCC members are elected for a term of 3 years and must undergo Church of England Safeguarding Training as part of their role. They must also be members of the Electoral Role of the Parish at least six months before being elected.

Only 2 Church Wardens were elected in 2023, though there should be 5 Church Wardens, 2 for St Oswald’s, 2 for St John’s and 1 for St Thomas’.

Besides the 2 Church Wardens 10 members were elected to the PCC and 2 members co-opted as Safeguarding Officer and Curate, with Rev Phil joining, as chairman, from September 2023. This brought the total number of PCC members to 15, though a resignation in October reduced the number to 14.

2 members end their 3-yearly term of office this year.

From May 2023 to April 2024 11 PCC meetings took place with an average attendance of 67.7%.

Prior to Rev Phil’s appointment Angela Burkitt, Vice Chair, chaired PCC and Vacancy meetings and we thank Angela for her leadership as Vice-Chair during this time.

The number of PCC members is dependent on the number of people on the Electoral Roll.

Less than 50 = 6 PCC members

50 - 100 = 9 PCC members

Over 100 = a further 3 members per 100 up to maximum of 15 PCC members

Source: Church Representation Rules online - part 9 | The Church of England 22/02/2024

PCC members who are coming to the end of their 3-yearly term of office can sit for re-election if they wish. At the 2022 APCM a resolution was passed to include Licensed Lay Ministers (Readers) as ex-officio members of the PCC.

If there are more than 50 names on the Roll of the Parish, on the date on which the Annual Meeting is held, the Standing Committee should be created, consisting of Rev Phil, each

Church Warden, or, if there are more than two, such two or more of them as are appointed by the PCC by resolution and at least 2 other members of the PCC, appointed by the PCC by resolution, the number of whom must be at least equal to the number of churchwardens who are members of the committee *under paragraph (b)*. (*Church Representation Rules online - part 9 | The Church of England 22/02/2024*)

The number of Deanery Synod members per parish is also dependent on the number of people on the Electoral Roll. Once the Electoral Roll Certificate has been received by the Executive Assistant to the Diocesan Secretary, at the Diocese of York, they will be able to calculate the number of Deanery Synod representatives our parish can elect.

Deanery Synod Representatives can be co-opted onto the PCC, they do not have to be members of the PCC. Presently the length of term is 3 years, which facilitates understanding of how the Deanery Synod works, plus a further 3 years if candidates wish to stand for re-election. The term cannot be extended to more than 6 years, according to the Resolution of the 2022 APCM.

Filey Parish currently has 2 Deanery Synod Members who were elected in 2023 and so have a further 2 years in office, however 1 Deanery Synod member is resigning.

Janice Midwood

Filey PCC Secretary

St Oswald's Church Wardens Report

I have been church warden for six years now. Two years a singular warden. Being a Tertiary of the Franciscan Society of St. Francis, has helped me in my role as Church Warden, in the way of humility, being obedient to the work of the Parish, and certainly my quiet prayerful nature.

North Transept has now been completed with new storage cupboards, shelves along with new chairs. Our chapel is complete along with new chairs.

Sunday 10th September 2023, a new chapter began for us in Filey Parish as we warmly welcomed Reverend Phil Maudsley as our new vicar and shepherd and his family.

During our vacancy we worked hard and diligently to open the doors of St. Oswald's on a daily basis. This was an exciting and wonderful achievement. We opened our doors on Monday 31st July 2023. 10.00am to 2.30pm winter time and 10.00am to 4.00pm during the summer months. By opening our doors we are offering peace and quiet, a space for reflection, and a place for those visiting graves of loved ones. Looking at our visitors book, visitors from far and wide have come through our doors. A very big thank you to all our volunteers who have open and locked the church – Christine and David, Ann and Graham, Maggie and Richard, Graham and Gill, Kathy and Angela, John and Margaret C, Steve and Liz, Robin and Sue and Graham Tillotson.

Thank you to Steve Yates, our Project Coordinator, who has worked tirelessly at St. Oswald's. Steve also offers educational and very interesting tours of St. Oswald's.

Many thank you's to our retired Priest's who have helped lead us in prayers, holy worship and importantly bring us closer to God in Holy Communion. Rev'd Robert Hall, Rev'd Charles Dobbin, Rev'd Trisha Wick and Rev'd Paul Burkitt.

My very grateful thanks to our Licensed Lay Minister's (Reader's), Sue Neilson and Janice Midwood, for their work and commitment in the community; home communions, visiting the sick and elderly at home, hospitals and nursing homes, internment of ashes, education visits to schools, leading church services, baptism preparation. Thank you to Ann Sargent in her work as Deputy Church Warden at St. Thomas' and to Anne Mead in her work as Recognised Parish Assistant at Thomas', Gristhorpe.

Thank you to Liz Goodwill for her dedication, hard work and commitment to the parish as administrator, Margaret Clarke for her work on our parish Link each month.

Thank you to Claire Stubbs who for her musical skills and talents are very much valued and appreciated. Very best wishes in your journey through Ordination training and beyond. Thank you to our choir, for your skill, your time and for helping to musically lead the congregation. Thank you also to Bryce Chatto for his musical talents and time. We are very grateful to our Flower team for their beautiful floral displays around the church, and for the beautiful Mothering Sunday posies. Thank you also goes to our Brass cleaning team.

Thank you to our sides-persons team who provide warm welcomes to all who join our services on Sunday mornings.

We would like to thank our bell ringers who call worshippers to prayer.

Thank you goes to our Vergers, Margaret Plewes and Peter Thompson who prepare our church for funerals and weddings.

Thank you very much to Steve Yates, our Project Manager and for his hard work and dedication to projects, especially the North and South Transepts, and for his commitment to the care of the building, and for his interesting educational tours.

Thank you to Sue Megginson for Co-ordinating volunteers to keep St. Oswald's open through the summer months.

Thank you also to Chris Megginson for working hard, keeping our Church Yard tidy and respectable.

Thank you to Sandra Bolton our previous church cleaner who kept St. Oswald's clean and presentable. As we say goodbye to Sandra, we say hello and thank you to our new cleaner, Jo.

We also say thank you to Gary Mobberley, David Wilson, Ann and Graham Simpson who count our service collections.

Thank you to Sue, Julie and our volunteers for providing refreshments before and after our services, bringing people together for fellowship. Thank you so much for my own cup of tea when I don't have the time to join everyone after the services.

Thank you to Monica Bartlett for looking after our school visits, providing children with historical knowledge.

Our monthly Parish Praise, Lay-led services have been well received with very positive feedback. Led by Claire Stubbs, Janice Midwood and myself.

Thank you also to Paul Luxton who keeps our website up-to-date. Christine Wilson for her commitment to the Parish Centre, and all volunteers at St. John's.

Our weekly Celtic Morning Prayer service continues, though small in numbers, is welcomed by those who attend. Thank you to Rev'd Paul Burkitt who leads us in our worship at this service.

Tuesday 12 September 2023 – Thanks-Giving Service. We said goodbye to Brenda Riley, a much-respected member of our community and choir member.

September 19 September 2023, we began a monthly series of Lunchtime concerts by Victoria Wright and Mark Gordon. These concerts are popular and much appreciated.

Thank you to Margaret and John Clark for their welcoming and hospitality.

Saturday 30th September 2023, we had a visit by the Georgian Society, a talk was given by Catherine Welsh.

Community Payback Team. Regular visits to St. Oswald's, to keep our graveyard tidy and respectable.

School Visits and thank you to Monica Bartlett. Year 3 Junior School – Wednesday 18 October.

Tertiary of the Society of Saint Francis visits

Saturday 07 October 2023 – Holy Communion and Re-newal of vows.

Saturday 13th January 2024 – Holy Communion – Epiphany reflections, silence and prayer.

Wednesday 11th October 2023. The Tower Clock was serviced. Smith of Derby
Wednesday 25th October 2023. Inspection service on the boiler and heating. Comgas.
Wednesday 01 November 2023. Steve Yates, Rev'd Phil and myself met with Chris Walker from Woodland Cemetery, Chris offered advice on how best to care for our graveyard.
Wednesday 06th December 2023, the organ was repaired following a tune up in November 2023.
Tuesday 23rd January 2024. Inspection of the Lightening Protector. Stone Technical Services.

My Safeguarding Training

DBS completed – 30 November 2023
Basic Awareness – 12 December 2023
Foundations – 13 December 2023
Domestic Abuse Awareness – 05 January 2024
Leadership Pathway session 1 – 31 January 2024
Leadership Pathway session 2 – Wednesday 06 March 2024
Angela Burkitt
Church Warden

St. Thomas' Church Warden's Report

Over the last twelve months the congregation statistics have been steady. We are averaging 25 to 30 adults each service and occasionally 2 children. Last summer 2023 we did have visitors who have been on holiday in the area. We have also had people who live in Cayton, Flixton and the surrounding areas attending.

The family that visited us for several weeks in 2022, who worked in the Circus and are originally from Iran. They applied for Asylum and are now living in Darlington while awaiting the outcome of their application. They have now received permission to stay in Britain. We have been supporting them as much as possible, while they waited. Anita their daughter is now 13 and enjoys attending school and is doing well. We wish them all the best for the future. Also, with the new caravan season starting soon this always brings the numbers of the congregation up.

I wish to thank the Lay ministry of Filey for their kind support of St. Thomas's. I am also pleased to report that I have been taking part in the new ALM course (which replaces the RPA). This course began in September for 10 months.

At St. Thomas's we often receive compliments regarding how lovely the church is and how helpful and welcoming everyone is. This reflects on all the congregation, so I wish to thank all members for their kind help over the last 12 months especially as it has now been over 2 years since I became Church Warden.

St Thomas's does require some TLC this summer, the windows at the back facing the car park are showing signs of rot, the kitchen requires painting and the outside walls need washing down due to moss etc forming on the panels. The font also requires painting.

However overall, at St Thomas's several members of the congregation pay for such things as the brown bin service charge out of their own pocket. This helps with our general finances.

Ann Sargent

Church Warden

Deanery Synod

Each church in Scarborough Deanery has a number of representatives on the Deanery Synod depending on the size of the congregation. Filey Parish has 3 representatives as well as the Vicar. I was elected as Deanery Synod Representative at the APCM in May 2023. Claire Stubbs was already a representative and there was one vacancy. Claire was the only representative at the Deanery Synod in March, at Springs Cafe in Hunmanby as it was before I

was elected and while we were still in vacancy. There was a presentation by the Venerable John Day - Diocesan Advisor for "Growing Healthy Churches". This covered the key principles behind Growing Healthy Churches; a commitment to becoming more like Christ, reaching people we currently don't, growing churches of missionary disciples and transforming our finances and structures. He also spoke about the "Revitalise" growth and/or support program and there was a discussion which explored different possible models to aid growth.

As the Parish was in vacancy and I was on holiday, Claire was the only representative at the Deanery Synod on 20th June at Holy Nativity Church in Eastfield. There was a presentation on new ministry opportunities for lay and ordained people as well as introduction to the Deanery Leadership Team.

Rev. Phil and I attended the Deanery Synod on 16th October at St. Martin's Church of England Deanery School in Scarborough. Before the meeting started the school was open to view exhibitions of work in the classrooms. Claire Barber, the head teacher, shared about the school motto "Serve one another in love" and how this influences the work of the school. The annual gifts to the school from each of the parishes in the Deanery have this year been used to transform the school's reading culture. Each of the senior team at the school was anointed with oil and prayed for.

Paul Luxton

Worship and Prayer

All are welcome to attend our regular services. At present there are 127 parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll, 12 of whom are not resident within the parish.

The average weekly attendance (adults and children), counted during October 2023:

64 at St Oswald's,

28 at St John's

25 at St Thomas'.

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

During 2023 There has been:

- Baptisms – 1
- Weddings - 3
- Funeral Services in Church – 17
- Crematoria only Funerals – 5
- Cemetery burials (the Lawns) – 6
- Burial of ashes in St Oswald's Churchyard – 12

Parish Zoom Services

Zoom Worship Services, which started during the Pandemic, continue to provide a quiet and safe space for morning and evening on-line worship services, supporting parishioners who wish to worship together who are not always able to get to a church service.

Zoom services happen at 9am Wednesday and Thursday mornings and 6pm on Sunday evenings. On average 4 or 5 people meet to worship together at the morning services using the Church of England Daily Prayer App, with an average of 3 to 4 people meeting Sunday evenings for Compline, again using the App.

Of all the three days, it is Sunday that is for the most part the least attended, though notice is usually given to tell of non-attendance.

It is true to say that attendance to the zoom services is no longer as high as they once were during the pandemic. However, feedback from one of the people attending shows how important these services are when they say,

"It does not in any way whatever impair its excellence of presence. It is never short of guidance, never failing in its help and is to be recommended to all for its blessings".

As Matthew writes in chapter 18, verse 20:

"For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them."

The Parish Zoom Account is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4216335851> with the password Oswald.

Janice Midwood

Celtic Prayer.

Each Tuesday at 10.00, a small group of souls gather to pray in the fashion handed down to us through the Celtic Monastic Tradition. Simply put: we recite a psalm, read scripture, listen to a daily reflection and, importantly, pray for others. Simplicity, with some silence are the key notes. It is a short time, just half an hour, to reconnect with our ancestors, giving thanks for their heritage. It is also a time when pilgrims can be welcomed as they tread the ways of our Northern Saints. Strangely, Celtic themes are extremely relevant in our warrior world beset by climatic disruption. In true Celtic fashion, all are welcome and 'no stranger is left at the gate'.

Revd. Paul Burkitt.

Together Time 2023

Our all age interactive service was launched on Advent Sunday 2022. A loyal team of volunteers have continued to provide a monthly service on most 4th Sundays. Much of our material comes from Roots service guidelines which follows the Lectionary. The style is certainly different but each time we try to include all that is needed to worship our Lord together and help each other to explore our own faith journey. There is always an atmosphere of fellowship and friendship. We set ourselves to review things in June and we as a team felt it was worthwhile continuing (to be reviewed June 2024). Many thanks to all who have worked for and supported Together Time.

Pam Roberts (Hope St.)

Prayer For The Parish

This started as a Vacancy Prayer Meeting when Nigel left and met monthly. Once Phil arrived it changed to Prayer for the Parish. There is a nucleus of about 8 people who meet monthly on a Thursday for 30 minutes. A written list of 12 prayer topics is provided for each meeting with latest prayer needs reflected. However, the group is led by the Holy Spirit as we pray and we cover all sorts of topics. We meet at my house and all are welcome to join us.

Trisha Wick

Open the Book

Open the Book operates under the guidance of The Bible Society and aims to bring Bible stories to every Primary School in the country. Our small team have been taking dramatised versions of Bible stories in to Filey Infant and Nursery Academy since 2014. This year we have visited the school roughly once a month to share a range of Bible stories with the children and staff. We are made very welcome and enjoy sharing the good news of the Bible. It is an important outreach within our community made possible by a loyal band of story tellers. I have been leader of the group for a few years and decided to step back but remain as a team member. Ann Simpson has kindly taken on the role of leader As with most areas of Church activity we rely on volunteers and occasionally pressed folk. Long may it continue. New recruits always welcome.

Pam Roberts (Hope St.)

Wonder Time

Wonder Time', based on 'Godly Play', a Christian movement centred on childhood spirituality, was created to tell Bible stories on a Monday lunchtime to twelve children from years one and two at Filey Church of England Primary School.

The school organise consent forms for parents to sign agreeing their child can attend Wonder Time sessions.

The 'Wonder Time' story-telling team consists of Claire Stubbs, Chris Turner (Mr) and Janice Midwood, all of whom have completed the necessary church and school safeguarding training. Claire will be Ordained Deacon in June after which she will be serving her curacy at The Priory, Bridlington and, though we will miss Claire, we wish her the very best for her time at The Priory.

The resources for each Wonder Time story, made by the 'Parish Stitchers' and 'Wonder Time' team, are used to tell a bible story, after which the children are invited to reflect on the story through "I wonder ..." questions to encourage their own spiritual journeys. The children can then choose between an activity sheet based on the story or use the resources to tell the story themselves.

There are usually five stories each half-term told to a group of 12 children from year one with the same five stories told to year two children the following half-term.

The team are very grateful to Christine Wilson, Pam Roberts and Chris Turner (Mrs) for their support.

Janice Midwood

Pastoral Committee Annual Report

The Pastoral Team regularly visit eight parishioners with Home Communion in their own homes, who are no longer able to attend church. There are currently five members of the Pastoral Team making these visits, though it would be good to have more members join the team. If you would like to know more about what we do, please talk to Rev Phil, Sue Neilson or Janice Midwood for further information.

A team of seven to eight volunteers continue to develop connections with Filey Fields residents with a monthly service, alternating between a Worship Service with communion at the end for those who wish to stay, and a Communion Service, both with hymns. These services happen on the third Thursday of the month in the lounge area and some of the residents now attend our Sunday Services.

Pastoral Afternoon Tea for the bereaved and/or lonely are held four times a year at St John's Parish Centre, with the support of 10 volunteers, without whom these afternoons would not happen. Volunteers offer their support by baking, waiting tables, help with the game of Bingo and provide musical entertainment.

Unfortunately, because the Little Community Bus is no longer running guests are asked to make their own way to and from the Parish Centre, and we are very lucky that some guests are able to car-share.

If you would like a member of the pastoral team to visit you, or you know someone who does, please let us know by contacting the Parish Office or Janice Midwood. Also, if you would like to volunteer with the Pastoral Team please speak to Rev Phil or Janice.

Janice Midwood

Filey Mothers' Union

As always, we started the year with our A.G.M. in January when we said Au revoir to Nigel and thanked him for his support over the years with us.

February, we welcomed Rev Canon Chris Humphries who delighted us with his stories and songs and a service. We also welcomed Catherine Welch back with some more historical insights into Filey Gardens.

Our first service in March was led by Rev Nancy Ecclesley who talked about St. David. Our second meeting was a talk on the origins of the Filey Bay Today magazines by its Author and creator Natalie Bosomworth.

April first service was led by Rev. Paul and Angela Burkitt who took us through their lives as members of the 3rd order of St. Francis. Our second meeting this month was a talk from Margaret Walker on her working life.

May was the month of King Charles' coronation and Rev Robert Hall centred his service round Majesty.

Rev Canon Trish Wick joined us also in May and told us all about her work as a pioneer vicar in Hull.

In June Ann led a service on The Trinity and the second meeting welcomed Ema from the Church Army's Chocolate Box charity which we have supported for many years.

We had to change the advertised meeting in July and so Margaret and John Clarke came and told us all about C.A.P. {Christians Against Poverty}. Then Sue Neilson was unwell, so Ann read some of her poems and entertained everyone.

On Thursday 27th we were able to take some of our over 80s to Filey Fields for afternoon tea and scones.

After the summer break we had our welcome back service on 20th September.

Audrey led out service on 3rd October and the next meeting Ann told everyone about her time working in an off license in London.

We had a remembrance service in November and the second meeting welcomed Nina Miles from IDAS {Independent Domestic Abuse Service} in Scarborough. We were able to make a good donation to their funds to help families in desperate circumstances.

We finished the year with our usual Christmas Party.

During the year we met our new Vicar Phil.

Sadly, after Anne and Peter Platt celebrated a significant wedding anniversary, Peter passed away. We also lost Eileen Butler during the Christmas holidays; Eileen had received her 55year membership certificate during the year.

Other members receiving recognition of their time with Mothers' Union were, Pat Metcalfe, 25years [although she had done 27 now] Sue Stevens, 45 years, Margaret West 50 years, Betty Midgley 35 years and Anne Platt 55years.

One new member joined us having transferred from another branch.

Next year as you will see from your list, we are changing the format slightly and there will be meeting where we will have a social time rather than a service or speaker.

We need to think how we progress in 2025 as we are not getting any younger and keeping 2 meetings a month might be too much.

Here's to 2024 God Bless take care and spread the love.

Ann Simpson

Secretary.

Parish Baby and Toddler Group

The group continued during 2023 welcoming around 20 babies and Toddlers every week during term time together with their parents and more often grandparents. The group offers a space for children to play with each other while giving space for adults to talk to each other and to ourselves. We aim to offer a variety of activities and one that can be messy! Thanks to Filey Lions soft play activities are used for the Christmas Party.

Without the help of a group of dedicated volunteers we would be unable to welcome these families. All the volunteers are very willing but are getting older which puts the long term survival of the group in doubt which after over 30 years would be a loss to the Toddlers and their carers in Filey.

Christine Wilson -Toddler Group Coordinator

Parish Centre

The Parish Centre continues to be used extensively. Every day there are bookings covering every age and numerous different activities.

A social care group meets every Monday and Friday and the Ukrainian mums use the centre to meet together to name 2 of the new groups. There is no doubt that the extensive use means there is an ongoing need for maintenance. With this in mind the St John's Care and Growth team meet regularly to discuss the everyday maintenance issues and fundraising for the longer term maintenance. However we see the fundraising as a way of also opening our doors and reaching out to the community. We are grateful to the Parish Stitchers for their help in doing this also.

2023 we started to look for grants and ways of raising the money to resurface the car park. It was becoming very much a hazard. We are indebted to 4 people who gave significant donations and a grant which covered the cost of work carried out in August. We are delighted with the impression this gives to the general public.

Thanks must go to Sandra who was our cleaner but after an accident needed surgery our hope was she would return but sadly this is not possible. We now have Jo who is doing St Oswald's, St John's and the Centre and we are delighted to have her as part of the team. The garden at St John's takes a lot of upkeep and thanks to Neville for doing the grass and the small group of volunteers meeting on a Tuesday to maintain the garden Please do join us!

Christine Wilson- Parish Centre Coordinator

Community Lunch

'We feast on the abundant food you provide; you let us drink from the river of goodness'
Psalm 36.8 Eating together is a blessing and is a symbol of shared life.

The community lunches have been taking place in the Parish Centre on a Friday frequently throughout the year. It is a time of reaching out to those who would like fellowship over a meal, who perhaps would be otherwise on their own. We welcome many from the community as well as our church family to enjoy a two course meal together. There is no price list just a plate by the door for donations.

Any money raised after church expenses, is given to charities. We have a super team that prepares, cooks, serves, washes up but most importantly, welcomes everyone!

Liz Goodwill- on behalf of the Lunch team.

Bell Ringers

St. Oswald's bellringers have ticked along during 2023. There were a few weddings for us to ring for, including Chris and Barbara Humphries' younger daughter Suzanne, which looked lovely, looking down from above. We have done our best to ring on most Sunday mornings. Sadly, we could not ring for Remembrance or Christmas as there were potential problems with the tower. We have since had the all clear from a structural engineer, who came and wanted us to ring all the bells at the same time in the same direction, which would push more force through the tower. We managed this for him whilst he checked walls inside and out, up and down the steps and crawled around the bells. He proclaimed everything safe and, happily, we are able to ring again.

Many thanks to the faithful ringing team for your enthusiastic support.

Kathy Carter -St. Oswald's Tower Captain.

St Oswalds' Church, Filey Building Activities for 2023

1. Introduction

This has been a year for consolidation of repair works, graveyard maintenance and new project activities. Activities have been focused on the re-ordering of the Transepts which is now complete.

2. Repair Works

Internal Guttering in the Tower.

Work Undertaken

Following a survey highlighting the poor state of repair of the internal guttering in the tower, a project to re-line the existing guttering has been given Faculty approval. Funding (50%) will be applied for via the National Churches Trust Grant system.

When Completed

On-going – the NCT grant system has been updated and our previous grant application was “archived”. We will have to apply for a new grant with updated quotes.

3. Graveyard Maintenance

Following discussions with Scarborough Borough Council and the Probation Service, the Community Payback team restarted their activities in the graveyard during the autumn period. Bushes have been cut back, paths trimmed and general grass cutting undertaken. Focus for the new year will be to maintain the grass cutting and strimming but where possible also look to investigate grave surrounds to see if they can be lifted slightly so as to prevent issues when strimming.

Following a short break the team will resume in Spring 2024.

4. Projects

The project for re-ordering of the two transepts is now complete and the relevant faculty application has been closed. No grant was identified, so, full funding came from the sale of pews, donations, and church funds.

Following discussions with NY Parks and Gardens and Woodlands Cemetery, there is still some uncertainty on who is responsible for the care and maintenance of our paths. The only thing both parties could suggest was to put in a work order (not identified how) and ask for the paths to be re-surfaced. This might identify the relevant section that are responsible.

5. Future Projects

I will continue to work with the churchwarden and PCC on items identified in the 2019 QI. Please note that the 2019 QI did not take place until 2021 so I do not expect there will be a QI this year.

Currently underway are surveys on the bells and bells frame and an associated tower structural survey. Both surveys are because of a movement sensor at the bottom of the tower showing that there had been some movement in the tower. The first survey on the bells is currently with Diocese for approval. The second survey on the tower structure is awaited.

Please note that following discussions with Diocese amendments have been made to the Faculty system that allows changes on a “like for like” basis to be approved by the Archdeacon. Full Faculty will only be required for “new” items or where the Project is of increased risk or complexity.

Steve Yates- Projects Co-ordinator

Parish Crafters

Parish Crafters meet on the second and fourth Wednesday afternoon of the month, 2:30-4:30 for a time of fun, laughter and crafting.

Crafters can bring their own craft or join in with the various planned projects and demonstrations, such as card making, wreaths, quilting, felt work, tote bags, knitting, sewing and much more, sharing skills and enjoying each other's company.

The Crafters raise funds for St John's Fabric Fund by making and selling items at the Christmas Fayre in November. In 2023 there was an amazing array of gifts to suit all pockets and the Crafters raised well over £800.00.

The crafters continue to grow in number.

If you might be interested in coming along please telephone Christine Turner on 07951 090711. It is not limited to members of the congregation, everyone is welcome.

Janice Midwood

Flower Team at St Oswald's Church

The Flower Ladies are a group of ladies who try to enhance the beauty of St. Oswald's Church with flowers. This is usually done on Friday mornings, so the flowers are in place for Sunday services.

With the advent of the church being open during daylight hours, things have had to change slightly, with some of the more valuable/breakable vases having to be put away.

Unfortunately, donations to the flower fund have not been forthcoming this year, even though we have put a calendar on the window sill for anyone who would like to have a floral memorial for someone or a special occasion. The cost of living is hitting everyone very hard, but it will soon reflect on the number of arrangements in church, especially when it comes to the major festivals such as Easter and Christmas – where the flower bill regularly comes in at over £70, and that is sourcing them at local supermarkets. The days where we ordered what we needed at the local florist are long-gone. Nowadays we have to take what we can get and work from there, and all the greenery is begged or purloined from local gardens by the flower ladies themselves.

Nevertheless, the ladies are a talented and resourceful group, usually with a good sense of humour, who I am extremely honoured to work with. We encourage anyone who would like to, to join us and if anyone would like more information please contact Jo Ward on 01723 512690 or speak to any of the Flower Ladies.

Jo Ward -on behalf of St Oswald's Flower Ladies

Children's Society

A decision was made to stop using the collection boxes as a way of raising money for the Society but we will continue to donate money from the envelopes and cardboard candles at the Christingle Service.

Maggie Hebden

Ecumenical Relationships

Filey Parish is a member of Churches Together in Filey (CTiF) in which a covenant was signed in 2000AD between Filey Methodist Church, St Mary's Roman Catholic Church and the Salvation Army in Filey. The Chairman during 2023 was Major David Ellison of The Salvation Army.

Mission and Evangelism

The Monthly Link edited by Margret Clarke to whom we give thanks, provides a valuable opportunity to include a Monthly reflection, personal stories of faith, articles from the diocese, prayer requests and useful diary dates, it is another communication source for the Parish. This is available by email and also hard copies are available in the churches.

The Website is edited and refreshed by Paul Luxton which makes it up to date and information is readily available, so many thanks to Paul. The Parish Facebook page also continues to be a good way of advertising information on services and events that we hold within our Parish. Many thanks for those who have posted over 2023 and kept the Parish relevant within the community of Filey.

Financial Review

The annual financial statements for the 12 months ended 31st December 2023 are prepared on the accruals accounting basis.

Charitable Giving 2023

The following donations were made in 2023:

£500 Rainbow Centre

£1075 Christians Against Poverty

£500 Westway

£1000 SAMS -South American Missionary Society

£100 St Martin's School

£810 Childrens Society

The collection at the Remembrance Service was split 3 ways- £150 Royal British Legion, £150 Combat Stress (Mental Health for veterans) and £152 St Oswald's Church.

Maggie Hebden & the Charity giving team

Unrestricted Funds

Total income in relation to unrestricted funds was £159,072 (2022: £159,072) of which £41,404 (26% of the total) came from planned giving. Gift Aid is still to be recovered for 2022 & 2023. Further unrestricted income was received from sources including donations and grants, parish fees (for marriages and funerals), Parish Centre rents and investment income.

Unrestricted expenditure relates mainly to the day-to-day running costs of our two church buildings and includes a contribution to York Diocese, utilities costs, insurance, the costs of Sunday and mid-week services, clergy expenses and administration costs. In 2023, total unrestricted expenditure was £131,507 (2022: £153,798). Of this, £1,214 was a contribution from general funds to the work at the Parish Centre at St John's and £1,776 towards work at St Oswald's. The surplus of income over expenditure was £13,889 (2022: £5,274) before a gain on revaluation of investments of £28. (2022: £950 transferred to the St John's 2020 Vision project). Unrestricted reserves at 31st December 2023 amounted to £222,041 (2022: £208,124), of which £1,791 relate to the designated fund for the St John's Mother and Toddler group.

The PCC monitors the financial situation of the Parish at PCC meetings. Major cost areas have been, and continue to be, reviewed for value for money, taking advantage of fixed-term deals, for example. It should also be noted that many of the running costs of mission and buildings are fixed in the medium-term.

Restricted Funds

Restricted income, in the form of donations and grants, together with income from the sale of pews from St Oswald's and annual car parking spaces at St John's, amounted to £60,291 (2022: £23,581). Donations and legacies are recognised only when received. Pledges, promises and similar intentions are not included in the PCC's accounts until received. Where donations are received under a valid Gift Aid declaration, the amount of income tax is allocated to the respective donation/fund.

Restricted expenditure amounted to £85,554 (2022: £16,813). The majority of this was spent on major works at St Oswald's and the Parish Centre at St John's.

As at 31st December 2023, the balance of restricted funds for St Oswald's was £5,918 (2022: £36,239) and for St John's (2020Vision) the balance was £9,838 (2022: £4,431). Including other historical restricted reserves, total restricted reserves at 31st December 2023 amounted to £15,756 (2022: £43,923). Note 10 of the financial statements provide further detail.

Endowment Funds

In line with the general economic environment, the Fund's investments showed a revaluation gain of £20,306 at 31st December 2023. However, the investments are held for the long term and the movement in value should be seen as just a spot check between two specific points in time.

Reserves policy

It is PCC policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds which equates to at least three months unrestricted payments. For the year ended 31st December 2023, this is equivalent to approximately £32,000. It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet unforeseen day-to-day expenditure.

Available unrestricted reserves at 31st December 2023 stood at £221,250 (2022: £206,552), which is more than required. The PCC continues to give consideration to the management and utilisation of unrestricted reserves over and above the amount to be retained in accordance its reserves policy.

**Filey Parochial Church Council
Independent Examiner's Report
To the Trustees of Filey Parochial Church Council**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Filey Parochial Church Council (the charity) for the year ended 31st December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. The financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. The financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Emma Cage ACA CTA
Assured Accountancy

23, Exchange Street
Driffield
East Yorkshire
YO25 6LF

Dated 09 May 2024

**Filey Parochial Church
Council
Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31st December 2023**

Statement of Financial Activities

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
		£	£	£	£	£
Incoming Resources						
Income and Endowments from:						
Donations and Legacies	2a	71,374	54,035	0	125,409	111,672
Activities for Generating Funds	2b	0	0	0	0	3,405
Income from Investments	2c	37,716	0	0	37,716	36,106
Church Activities	2d	31,931	6,256	0	38,187	27,720
Other income	2e	4,375	0	0	4,375	3,750
Total	2	145,396	60,291	0	205,687	182,653
Resources Expended						
Expenditure on:						
Raising Funds	3a	0	0	0	0	4,003
Church Activities	3b	131,507	88,554	0	220,061	170,611
Total	3	131,507	88,554	0	220,061	174,614
Net Income/(Expenditure) before investment gains/(losses)		13,889	(28,263)	0	(14,374)	8,039
Net gain/(losses) on investments	6b & 7a	28	96	20,306	20,430	(108,311)
Net Income/(Expenditure)		13,917	(28,167)	20,306	6,056	(100,272)
Transfer between Funds	5				0	0
Net Movement in Funds		13,917	(28,167)	20,306	6,056	(100,272)
Total Funds brought forward	10	208,124	43,923	966,602	1,218,649	1,318,921
Total Funds carried forward	10	222,041	15,756	986,908	1,224,705	1,218,649

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Balance Sheet

		2023		2022	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Tangible Assets	6a		0		0
Investment Assets	6b		986,908		966,602
Total Fixed Assets			986,908		966,602
Current Assets					
Current Investments	7a	518		3,742	
Debtors and prepayments	7b	31,614		11,907	
Cash at bank and in hand	7c	217,012		250,548	
Total Current Assets		249,144		266,197	
Current Liabilities - due within 1 year					
Creditors and accruals		(7,347)		(6,150)	
Net Current Assets			241,797		260,047
Liabilities due after one year					
Diocesan loan	8b		(4,000)		(8,000)
Total Net Assets	9		1,224,705		1,218,649
Funds of the PCC					
			£		£
Unrestricted Funds					
Designated funds			791		1,572
General fund			221,250		206,552
Total unrestricted funds			222,041		208,124
Restricted Funds			15,756		43,923
Endowment Funds			986,908		966,602
Total Funds	9 & 10		1,224,705		1,218,649

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 14 May 2024 and signed on its behalf by

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Angela Burkitt
Church Warden

Filey Parochial Church Council

Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31st December 2023

Accounting Policies

The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCCs, and with the 'Regulations' "true and fair view" provisions. They have also been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102)

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members.

Cashflow Statement

The Charity has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS102 from the requirement to produce a Cash flow statement on the grounds that the income does not exceed £500,000.

Going Concern

There are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Accounting Estimates and Prior Year Errors

No changes to accounting estimates have occurred in the reporting period.

Description of Funds

Unrestricted funds are income funds of the PCC that are available for spending on the general purposes of the PCC, including amounts designated by the PCC for its own use or for spending on a future project and which are therefore not included in its "free reserves" as disclosed in the trustees' annual report.

Restricted funds comprise of two elements:

- a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest
- b) donations or grants received for a specific object or invited by the PCC for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund. The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund. Where there is no separate investment, interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

Endowment funds are restricted funds that must be retained as trust capital either permanently or subject to a discretionary power to spend capital as income, and where the use of any income

or other benefit derived from the capital may be restricted or unrestricted. Full details of all their restrictions are shown in the notes to the accounts.

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Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31st December 2023

Accounting Policies - continued

Income

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received or when the PCC becomes entitled to the resource and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and Legacies are accounted for when the PCC is legally entitled to the amounts due and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability. Dividends are accounted for when receivable, interest is accrued. All other income is recognised when it is receivable. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

Expenditure

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. The diocesan parish share is accounted for when due. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Governance and Support Costs

Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the PCC and its compliance with regulation and good practice. Support costs include central functions and have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Fixed Assets

Consecrated and benefice property is not included from the accounts by s.10(2)(a)&(c) of the Charities Act 2011. Moveable church furnishings held by the Vicar and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal are inalienable property, listed in the Church's inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time).

No depreciation is provided on buildings as the currently estimated residual value of the properties is not less than their carrying value and the remaining useful life of these assets exceeds 50 years, so that any depreciation charges would be immaterial.

Other tangible fixed assets are valued at cost less depreciation to date. The depreciation rates and methods used are:

- Freehold property – nil
- Other fixed assets & equipment – 15% pa on a reducing balance basis.

Assets acquired with an individual cost of £10,000 or less are not capitalised and written off in the year of acquisition.

Investments

Investments in quoted shares, traded bonds and similar investments are valued initially at cost and subsequently at market value at the year end. Investments held for re-sale are treated as current asset investments

Debtors

Debtors are recorded at the actual amount receivable.

Creditors and Accruals

Creditors are measured at settlement amounts less any applicable discounts. Accruals are measured on best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date.

Taxation

The church is an excepted charity within the meaning of the Taxes Acts. Accordingly, it is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income and capital gains received to the extent that such income and gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes. No provision for taxation has been made in these financial statements.

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2023

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
2 Income and Endowments					
2a Donations and Legacies					
Planned giving	41,404	25		41,429	51,081
Collections at services	10,270	740		11,010	9,328
Other voluntary giving	5,976	43,760		49,736	30,314
Gift Aid Recoverable	13,624	3,849		17,473	6,581
Legacies				0	0
Grants	100	5,661		5,761	14,368
Total donations and legacies	71,374	54,035	0	125,409	111,672
2b Activities for Generating Funds					
Sale of pews and kneelers	0	0		0	3,405
2c Income from investments					
Dividends	37,748			37,748	35,597
Bank interest	(32)			(32)	509
Total investment income	37,716	0	0	37,716	36,106
Charitable Activities					
2d Income from Church Activities					
Statutory Fees (retained by PCC)	11,977			11,977	6,796
Hire of Parish centre & Car Park	17,993	2,532		20,525	17,731
Other activities	1,961	3,724		5,685	3,193
Total income from church activities	31,931	6,256	0	38,187	27,720
2e Other Income					
War graves commission	375			375	750
Contribution from St Thomas'	4,000			4,000	3,000
	4,375	0	0	4,375	3,750
Total income	145,396	60,291	0	205,687	182,653

	£	£	£	£	£
3 Expenditure					
3a Raising Funds – cost of generating funds					
Investment management charges				0	4,003
	0	0	0	0	4,003
3b Charitable Activities					
<i>Church Activities</i>					
Mission Giving and Donations	4,673			4,673	7,000
Diocesan Generous Giving	69,450			69,450	65,000
Salaries (inc. pension)	13,285			13,285	17,664
Clergy and Staff Expenses	676			676	1,308
<i>Church Expenses</i>				0	
Mission and Evangelism	7,170			7,170	10,447
Church Running Expenses*	20,275	4,505		24,780	13,941
Church Utility Bills	12,988	3,533		16,521	12,981
Cost of Trading				0	0
				0	
Major Capital Expenditure				0	
Major Repairs to the Church	1,214	1,044		2,258	11,526
Major Repairs to Church Hall	1,776	8,558		10,334	30,744
Major Repairs to St Oswalds		35,770		35,770	
Major Repairs to Car Park		35,144		35,144	
	131,507	88,554	0	220,061	170,611
Total Expenditure	131,507	88,554	0	220,061	174,614

* including governance costs

4(a) Staff Costs	2023	2022
	£	£
Wages & Salaries	13,285	17,664
Average number of employees	2	3

During the year the PCC employed a Parish Administrator & a cleaner (all part-time).

4(b) Related Parties

2023

There was no related parties transaction in the year ended 31 December 2023

2022

Mrs C Stubbs, a member of the PCC part of the year, was paid fees for playing the organ at various services.

Mrs L Prince, a member of the PCC (for part of the year), was paid a salary in relation to young adults' 'Multiply' work.

4© Fees for the examination of the accounts

	2023	2022
	£	£
Independent Examiner's fees, including payroll services	<u>1,200</u>	<u>1,416</u>

5 Analysis of Transfer between Funds

During the year, a net £NIL was transferred to unrestricted funds from restricted funds (2022: £950 net transferred from unrestricted to restricted funds) as follows.

	2023	2022
	£	£
Diocesan loan repayment from St John's fabric fund	0	4,000
From unrestricted funds to St John's fabric fund	0	(270)
Diocesan loan received to St John's fabric fund	0	0
From unrestricted funds to St Oswald's fabric fund	0	(2,780)
	<u>0</u>	<u>950</u>

6a Tangible Fixed Assets

	Church Equipment	Total
	£	£
Cost		
Brought forward and carried forward	<u>35,417</u>	<u>35,417</u>
Accumulated Depreciation		
Brought forward and carried forward	<u>35,417</u>	<u>35,417</u>
Net Book Value at 31st Dec 2023 and 1st January 2023	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

Church equipment relates to IT and sound equipment, which is fully depreciated.

6b Fixed Asset Investments
Endowment fund investments

	£
Market value brought forward	966,602
Additions	0
Disposals	0
Revaluations	20,306
Market value carried forward	<u>986,908</u>

These investments are professionally managed on behalf of the PCC.

7a Current Asset Investments

	£
Market value brought forward	3,742
Additions	0
Disposals	(3,349)
Gain/Loss	125
Market value carried forward	<u>518</u>

7(b) Debtors

	2023	2022
	£	£
Gift Aid recoverable	26,806	10,000
Other debtors	2,481	1,907
Prepayments	2,327	0
	<u>31,614</u>	<u>11,907</u>

7(c) Cash at Bank and in hand

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Current accounts	<u>207,770</u>	<u>791</u>	<u>8,451</u>	<u>217,012</u>	<u>250,548</u>

8 Liabilities

	2023	2022
	£	£
8(a) Amounts falling due in one year		
Diocesan loan	4,000	4,000
Accruals	3,347	2,150
	<u>7,347</u>	<u>6,150</u>
	2023	2022
	£	£
8(b) Amounts falling due in more than one year		
Diocesan loan	<u>4,000</u>	<u>8,000</u>

The Diocesan loan is unsecured and re-payable over 5 years (£4,000 per year) commencing in October 2021 and is interest-free. As at 31st December 2023, three repayments of £4,000 had been made, leaving £8,000 to be repaid over the next 2 years.

9 Summary of Assets by Fund

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets	-	-	-	-	-
Fixed Asset	-	-	-	986,908	986,908
Investments	-	-	-	-	-
Current Assets	232,598	791	15,755	-	249,144
Total Liabilities	(11,347)	-	-	-	(11,347)
Total Net Assets	<u>221,251</u>	<u>791</u>	<u>15,755</u>	<u>986,908</u>	<u>1,224,705</u>

10 Summary of Fund Movements

	Reserves at 1 st Jan 2023	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Investment Gains/ Losses	Transfers	Reserves at 31st Dec 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds						
General Fund	206,552	143,910	(129,240)	28		221,250
Designated Fund - Baby & Toddler Group	1,572	1,486	(2,267)			791
Total unrestricted funds	208,124	145,396	(131,507)	28	0	222,041
Restricted Funds:						
Machin	3,253			96	(3,349)	0
St Oswald's Fabric Fund	36,239	9,323	(41,318)		1,674	5,918
St John's Fabric Fund*	4,431	50,968	(47,236)		1,675	9,838
Multiply worker						0
St Oswald's clock repair						0
NYCC - breakfasts						0
SBC - summer adventure						0
Total restricted funds	43,923	60,291	(88,554)	96	0	15,756
Endowment Funds	966,602			20,306		986,908
Total Funds	1,218,649	205,687	(220,061)	20,430	0	1,224,705

* The St John's Fabric Fund relates wholly to the St John's 2020 Vision project, details of which are given elsewhere in this report.

11 Statement of Financial Activities:
Comparatives for the year ended 31 December 2022

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds
	£	£	£	£
Income and Endowments				
Donations and Legacies	92,669	19,003	-	111,672
Activities for Generating Funds	150	3,255	-	3,405
Income from Investments	36,106	0	-	36,106
Church Activities	26,397	1,323	-	27,720
Other	3,750	0	-	3,750
Total Income	159,072	23,581	0	182,653
Expenditure				
Church Activities	153,798	16,813	-	170,611
Raising Funds	-	-	4,003	4,003
Other	-	-	-	0
Total Expenditure	153,798	16,813	4,003	174,614
Net income/(expenditure)	5,274	6,768	(4,003)	8,039
Net gain/(losses) on investment	(78)	(423)	(107,810)	(108,311)
Net Income/(Expenditure)	5,196	6,345	(111,813)	(100,272)
Transfer between Funds	950	(950)	-	0
Net Movement in Funds	6,146	5,395	(111,813)	(100,272)
Total Funds b/f 1st January 2022	201,978	38,528	1,078,415	1,318,921
Total Funds c/f 31st December 2022	208,124	43,923	966,602	1,218,649

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Receipts and Payments Account	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£
Receipts				
Collections and direct giving	6,004	185	6,189	4,486
Donations	894		894	701
Legacy	500		500	0
Gift Aid			0	773
Funeral fees			0	47
Total voluntary & fees receipts	7,398	185	7,583	6,007
Income from investments				
Bank interest	33		33	13
Total receipts	7,431	185	7,616	6,020
Payments				
Contribution to Filey Parish	4,000		4,000	3,000
Worship & outreach expenses	308		308	170
Building	1,505		1,505	3,802
Administration	60		60	
Donations	470		470	500
Total payments	6,343	0	6,343	7,472
Net receipts/(payments) for year	1,088	185	1,273	(1,452)
	31 December 2023			2022
Statement of balances	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	
Total balances brought forward	20,379	0	20,379	21,831
Net surplus/(deficit) for year	1,088	185	1,273	(1,452)
Total funds carried forward	21,467	185	21,652	20,379
Represented by				
Bank current account	5,355	185	5,540	4,335
Deposit account	1,049		1,049	1,016
Cash in hand	63		63	28
CCLA investment fund	15,000		15,000	15,000
	21,467	185	21,652	20,379

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Notes

- 1 St Thomas' accounts are prepared on the receipts and payments basis
- 2 Our thanks go to members of the congregation who incur expenses on behalf of St Thomas' for which no reimbursement is claimed.
- 3 The deposit account and investments have been funded from historic reserves plus a £10,000 legacy. There are no formal restrictions on use of these funds within St Thomas' but they are currently held as a reserve against future major repairs.
- 4 The CLA investment is held in accumulation units, so income generated is automatically reinvested. The market value of the investment at 31 December 2023 was £17,350 (2022: £15,413).