

Parochial Church Council of St Mary, Standon

Report and Accounts

Year ended 31st December 2024

Parochial Church Council of St Mary, Standon

Trustees' Annual Report

For the year ended 31st December 2024

Standon PCC is a corporate body established by the Church of England which operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure. It has the responsibility of co-operating with the Rector in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelical, social and ecumenical. It also has maintenance responsibilities for the fabric of the church building, its contents and the churchyard. It is in a benefice with the parishes of The Mundens with Sacombe.

All of our services are joint ones with our benefice partners. Our average attendance was 70 at our 10.30 services and 11 at our 8.00. We offer:

- monthly choral evensong services, attracting an average of 68 worshippers
- Christmas services: Nine Lessons & Carols, Christmas Eve Christingle and Christmas Eve midnight
- an annual Remembrance Sunday service
- a service of memories in October
- a Good Friday meditation
- Wednesday morning worship and discussion; average attendance was to 11
- on Palm Sunday our benefice choir performed parts of Bach's St John's Passion
- during the year we hosted 3 services for our local church school

During the year, we conducted 10 funerals and 3 weddings in the church. We baptised 5 children in mainstream services.

Throughout the year we have unlocked our church during daylight hours, and it has been used by many for prayer and reflection. We hosted the annual local District Bell Ringers' service as well as concerts by external groups, including the local community choir, which rehearses weekly in St Mary's.

Membership

Members of the PCC are either ex-officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. Our 2024 annual meeting took place on May 12th after the morning service.

During the year, the following served as members of the PCC:

Rector	Rev John Chitham	Elected Members	Mrs Angie Adamson (from 12 th May) Mr Cliff Beeston
Wardens	Mrs Angie Adamson (until 12 th May) Mrs Marion Smith (from 12 th May) Mr Keith Plummer		Mrs Stephanie Beeston Miss Lizzy Franks Mr Richard Franks (until 12 th May) Mrs Sue Geddes (until 12 th May)
Reader	Mrs Caroline Franks		Mr Derek Goodall Mrs Margaret Goodall
Officers	Miss Lizzy Franks Hon. Secretary Mrs Caroline Franks Hon. Treasurer		Mr Mark Korczyk Mrs Marion Smith (until 12 th May) Mr Michael Smith
Deanery Synod Representatives			Mrs Angie Adamson (from 12 th May) Mrs Diane Moss (from 12 th May)
Banks	CAF Bank Ltd 25 Kings Hill Avenue Kings Hill West Malling, Kent ME19 4JQ		The CBF Church of England Deposit Fund 80 Cheapside London EC2V 6DZ
Investment Funds	The CBF C of E Investment Fund 80 Cheapside London EC2V 6DZ	Independent Examiner	Sarah Crispin ACA Stewardship 1 Lamb's Passage London EC1Y 8AB

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Financial Responsibilities of the PCC

Charity law requires us as Trustees to prepare financial statements for each accounting year which record the receipts and payments of the charity for the year.

We are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable us to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. We are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the church and taking reasonable steps to prevent fraud and other irregularities.

Policy on Reserves

The PCC recognises the need to hold reserves to allow the protection of its core activities in the event of income shortfalls and to promote balanced strategic planning. Reserves are defined as income that becomes available and which the PCC can spend at its discretion to further its objectives but which has not yet been spent, committed or designated.

At the end of 2024, the PCC held £55,165 in its unrestricted General Fund. This sum is significantly below the amount stipulated in our agreed policy to hold between 12 and 18 months' anticipated expenditure, and we are continuing actively to consider how we will reverse the dwindling of our reserves. Funds beyond our immediate needs are held on deposit with the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund, which provides us with as competitive a rate of interest as any, but with low risk and instant access.

At the end of 2024, in addition to our unrestricted general fund, we hold unrestricted designated funds of:

- £1,000 in the Transport Fund
- £41,690 in the Legacy Fund
- £3,525 in the Tithe Fund and
- £215 in a fund for the repair and replacement of streaming equipment

We have received one legacy in 2024. When we receive a legacy, we transfer 10% to the Tithe Fund, to be used for others as appropriate needs come to our attention.

The restricted restoration fund has received donations from individuals and grants from the Friends of St Mary's and other charitable trusts to fund capital work, including the preliminaries for the remedial work on our tower, highlighted in our latest Quinquennial report. An application has been submitted in February 2025 to the Listed Places of Worship scheme, to recover VAT paid on capital projects.

Risk Management

Any charity, in carrying out its objectives, must have an eye to the risks involved. We are responsible for an ancient building, designed with no thought for the needs of frail or disabled people. We deal frequently with people who are vulnerable. We work with children. Our income is by donation and often some of the PCC have access to confidential information.

We try to guard against risk without letting risk-limiting measures get in the way of our ministry.

Where we can, we insure against financial loss.

Where this is not practical, we try to minimise risk in other ways. For example, we have treated the lead on our church roof with Smart Water and installed an alarm system; we have also asked our neighbours in the High Street to report any suspicious activity around the church, and we leave the flood lights on until after the pub opposite has closed and the High Street is quiet.

We have installed a CCTV system to monitor activity at our main doors.

We hold a comprehensive set of risk assessments which are reviewed regularly.

We have an appointed Health and Safety Officer and there is a Health and Safety Policy in place.

We have installed handrails where they are needed.

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We have a care to the qualifications and integrity of those to whom we entrust sensitive information or access to our funds and take sensible precautions to protect them and those with whom they interact, including safer recruitment procedures and the use of encryption or other security systems on the appropriate computers.

The PCC has complied with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (which sets out the PCC's obligations to safeguard children and vulnerable adults).

We make sure that all trustees of the charity (which works regularly with children and vulnerable adults), as well as those working regularly with children and vulnerable adults are subjected to DBS checks in line with Thirtyone:eight guidelines and are conversant with our Safeguarding Policy and Good Practice Guidelines.

We ensure that all involved in the work of our church have the required level of safeguarding training and DBS checks, according to Church of England best practice guidelines. Our benefice Safeguarding Officer, who advises the PCC, has extensive experience of child protection and safeguarding issues in relation to her role as Designated Senior Person at school and her work as Safeguarding Officer at CPAS summer camps.

The financial functions of the PCC are shared between three people, working independently.

All work undertaken by volunteers is subject to review.

Committee Structure and Review of the Year

The PCC operates through a number of committees, which meet between meetings of the full PCC. Other than the Standing Committee, the PCC committees do not have delegated decision making powers; they make recommendations to the PCC, which is responsible for all decision making.

Standing Committee

This, the only committee required by law, has power to transact PCC business between its meetings, subject to directions given by the council. It is comprised of the Rector, our Reader, Churchwardens, Secretary and Treasurer and meets when necessary. The Benefice Administrator also attends these meetings.

Electoral Roll

At the end of 2024, there were 107 members on the electoral roll. 31 of these live outside the parish.

Public Benefit

The Trustees have complied with the duty to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

Highlights of the work of our benefice

All of the services in our benefice are joint ones of St Mary's, Standon, All Saints, Little Munden and St Catherine's, Sacombe. We continue to stream our main Sunday services online, as people find this useful if they're unable to attend in person. We also lead a monthly service in a local care home for adults with learning difficulties.

We offer friendship, practical help and pastoral care to any in our community who need it. Our home groups and Bible study groups have mixed online and in-person meetings, and participants have continued to find them helpful. We have continued with our, 'Midweek Music' recitals and time of social interaction monthly on Wednesday lunchtimes.

Our groups all prepare reports for the annual meeting and those contain more detail about our work than is included here.

World Mission Group

This committee is benefice-wide and considers matters to do with world-wide mission, including the way we support our missionary partners overseas, primarily, through prayer and encouragement. It considers which charities and organisations might be supported through appeals, special collections or specific donations and has organised fundraising events for specific missionary projects.

Special Appeals

Once again, special appeals were well supported during 2024.

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- Regular giving for our mission partners in Burundi amounted to £1,302 including gift aid tax recovered. During the year, we sent £1,518, collected in 2023 and early 2024. The balance of the amount collected in 2024 will be sent in 2025.
- We also support the Ellis family, who run a church in Zimbabwe. A total of £4,472 was sent from our sister churches, including £50 received through our account.
- In addition, each of these partners received £500 from the Tithe Fund.
- £1,237 was received in donations and gift aid tax for the 2024 harvest appeal, to help fund a minibus for the Place of Grace, where our mission partners John and Gillian Robinson work with children from the slums of Bangkok, Thailand.
- £90 was received for 2024 Operation Christmas Child.
- £630 was given at our Remembrance service for the Royal British Legion.
- In December 2024, our appeal was again for our local food bank. £5,718 was raised by the benefice in 2024, and another £1,401 was received in January 2025. Gift aid tax of £407 has been claimed in January 2025. The amount raised is being spent on grocery deliveries directly to the distribution centre, as and when they are needed. We collect items for the local food bank in all of our churches, but we have also continued to organise online supermarket deliveries directly, and £4,201 was donated by our benefice for this purpose.
- We have run a monthly Pop-Up Shop after our family service, its profits contributing to the Foodbank total.

The total of the amounts collected through the Standon PCC account in 2024 in response to appeals to help others totalled £12,462, including the amount given for our regular missionary partners.

Members took part in Operation Christmas Child, filling shoe boxes to be sent to parts of the world where children affected by war or disaster have no other hope of receiving a gift at Christmas. 124 boxes were sent in November, bound for Ukraine and Malawi.

Youth and Children's Work

Our youth work has continued to provide a wide range of activities for young people.

- Our children's and youth work has continued on Wednesday afternoons after school in term time
- Our after school club at Roger de Clare School continues to meet on Thursdays
- Little Angels, our toddler and carer group in St Mary's on Friday mornings continues to thrive and grow
- The Little Munden School choir rehearses in All Saints under the direction of our benefice Director of Music, and has taken part in our main Sunday services in the summer and at Christmas.
- In the summer we offered our annual Holiday Bible Club for children aged 4 to 11. Over four days, we considered stories of various kings and queens of the Bible, culminating on the final day in a royal banquet for the King of Kings. 60 children attended over the week, with more than 40 each day, and it was appreciated by both the children and their parents. We hope to continue to build on this work in 2025.
- We have provided Collective Worship weekly for both of our church schools.
- Lizzy continues to be an overall leader of Orwell 3, a CPAS Pathfinder Holiday, and in August we helped fund several youngsters from our benefice who attended the week long camp organised and run by a team of trained volunteers.

Finance Committee

This committee of representatives of PCC, church members and the other benefice treasurers considers all aspects of PCC finances. It is responsible for the preparation and monitoring of budgets, review of the current financial position and for advising the PCC on financial matters.

Our financial results for this year show a deficit on our unrestricted general fund of £19,693. £78,706 was spent during the year on providing Christian ministry from St Mary's. This includes parish share payments to the Diocese of £62,653 to support diocesan costs such as clergy stipends and housing, training for clergy and readers and the many support services we have available to us in our parish ministry, and costs of £5,522 to support our youth work.

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In addition, we spent £22,615, including £2,209 from the restricted Friends of Standon Churchyard Fund, on the running and maintenance of the church and churchyard, and £6,979 on administrative and other costs. We have spent £14,596 from the restricted Restoration Fund on capital projects, wholly funded by grants and donations for that purpose.

Other High Points of the Year

Our aim is the promotion of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the practices of the Church of England. All our activities are organised against this background. Our stated aim, with which all our service materials are badged, is 'Being witnesses to Jesus, making disciples of Jesus, growing leaders for Jesus'. This aim permeates all that we do.

Being witnesses to Jesus includes being his presence in our community. We have continued to provide pastoral support, events and opportunities for people to gather together, practical help through our support of the local foodbank and taking every opportunity we see to express our faith in a way that demonstrated God's love for all, and what he offers to any who come to him. Our pastoral team has worked to offer support to those who need it. Our funeral ministry has been particularly important, a source of hope and comfort for grieving families, and our community has appreciated the church building, as we've used it for pastoral services and community events as well as welcoming visitors for whatever reason they come. Our toddler group continues to thrive, as do our monthly concerts with time to get together beforehand over a cup of coffee or tea. A group of bereaved spouses meet monthly to offer each other support, and a group of people who are on their own meets monthly for lunch at a local pub. Members of our churches continue to be involved in many of the organisations in our parishes.

Making disciples of Jesus includes nurturing new Christians and developing our existing congregations. We aim to run entry level courses whenever they are needed. We have followed several Biblical teaching series in our mainstream services, particularly at our midweek services, where we have followed the traditional sermon with a period of discussion. In 2024 we explored a diverse selection of Biblical books from Lamentations to Hebrews, as well as discussing such topics as what the Kingdom of God means for our lives now. Our home groups continue to stretch participants, as well as providing mutual support and encouragement. We seek to encourage and develop a desire among our members continually to be learning and growing as Christians.

We have worked closely with our two benefice church schools, continuing the strong ties between church and school and working to draw some of the children and, with them, their parents into church family life. We have welcomed our church schools to our churches for their harvest, Easter and end of year services. Most of the Little Munden School pupils attend our Wednesday café in All Saints, taking part in the activities and teaching provided, and often involving their parents too.

We try to organise worship that will draw in members of our community. Our benefice choir is highly admired in our area, and enhances our worship, particularly at our monthly choral evensong services. We continue to offer Book of Common Prayer services as well as Common Worship ones, and on the fourth Sunday of each month we hold an informal service where families are encouraged to come and join in activities as well as more traditional worship.

Our monthly churchyard working party continues to draw in people not otherwise associated with the church as well as keeping our churchyard looking attractive and tidy.

Growing leaders for Jesus focusses more on our own people. We encourage and offer help to any in our congregation who are hearing God's call, to explore what that might mean. There is funding available for any for whom structured training is appropriate.

Our beautiful, ancient, grade 1 listed building presents us with real challenges as we strive to be the living church in these villages. The Friends of St Mary's continue to raise funds to finance restoration projects, and following our quinquennial inspection in 2022, we are planning significant work to the tower. Tenders have been received, and we hope that, after several delays, the work will start in the spring of 2025.

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The Friends of Standon Churchyard team manages the churchyard for conservation and the protection of wildlife as well as for the benefit of the bereaved, forming a working party on the first Saturday morning of each month, which anyone interested is welcome to join.

Much has been achieved during 2024, but, as ever, there is much still to do as we shape our vision for the next years. We are ready and eager to carry our work forward, and, with God's help, plan to be instrumental in spreading his gospel ever wider in this community and abroad.

Looking forward

In March 2025, the scaffolding has been erected and we are embarking on the long-planned restoration work on the tower. This is an extensive project, for which the Friends have been fundraising for more than 20 years. The work will take several months, and will be funded by FOSM and other grants.

Limitations of this report

Because we strive to operate in everything as part of a united benefice this report, from just one parish of the three, does not provide a complete or fully accurate picture of our work. It should be read in conjunction with reports of what is happening in our sister parishes of The Mundens and Sacombe.

This report was approved by the PCC and signed on their behalf by Rev John Chitham (Incumbent).

John Chitham

John Chitham (Apr 23, 2025 19:04 GMT+1)

Apr 23, 2025

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE TRUSTEES OF
Parochial Church Council of St Mary, Standon

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Parochial Church Council of St Mary, Standon ('the charity') for the year ended 31st December 2024 on pages 8 to 12 following.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the charity'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 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

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.


Sarah Crispin (May 1, 2025 08:05 GMT+1)

Sarah Crispin ACA

Stewardship
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Date: May 1, 2025

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Receipts and Payments Account
for the year ended 31st December 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
		£	£	£	£	£
Receipts						
Voluntary income	2a	71,245	6,050	34,457	111,752	156,515
Income from investments	2b	5,592		1,104	6,696	4,530
Church activities		6,699		1,991	8,690	7,025
Other incoming resources		1,009			1,009	140
Total Receipts		<u>84,545</u>	<u>6,050</u>	<u>37,552</u>	<u>128,147</u>	<u>168,210</u>
Payments						
Church activities	3	105,126	1,275	30,772	137,173	136,993
Governance costs	4	1,080			1,080	1,062
Total Payments		<u>106,206</u>	<u>1,275</u>	<u>30,772</u>	<u>138,253</u>	<u>138,055</u>
Net Receipts / (Payments)		(21,661)	4,775	6,780	(10,106)	30,155
Transfers between funds		1,968	(1,968)		0	
		<u>(19,693)</u>	<u>2,807</u>	<u>6,780</u>	<u>(10,106)</u>	<u>30,155</u>
Balance as at 1st January 2024		74,858	43,623	25,046	143,527	113,372
Balance as at 31st December 2024		<u>55,165</u>	<u>46,430</u>	<u>31,826</u>	<u>133,421</u>	<u>143,527</u>

The notes on pages 10 to 12 form part of these accounts

Parochial Church Council of St Mary, Standon
Statement of Assets and Liabilities
as at 31st December 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Bank Balances and Cash		
Short term deposits	86,250	81,903
Cash at bank and in hand	47,171	61,622
	<u>133,421</u>	<u>143,525</u>
Of the total cash, £25,046 is restricted.		
Other Assets and Liabilities		
Assets:		
CBF interest received 04.01.25 for 2024	969	1,098
Gift aid tax recovery not yet received	4,447	3,594
VAT recoverable (Listed Places of Worship Scheme)	1,021	2,495
Grants to be received for capital work completed		3,474
Bookstall stock at cost	167	
Other monetary assets	3,175	5,535
	<u>9,779</u>	<u>16,196</u>
Liabilities:		
Unbilled fee for independent examination	1,128	1,100
Money donated for missionary partners and appeals not yet sent	10,651	10,544
Other amounts due	1,410	1,280
	<u>13,189</u>	<u>12,924</u>
Investments		
Market value 01.01.24	39,763	36,344
Unrealised gain/(loss) in the year	910	3,419
Market value 31.12.24	<u>40,673</u>	<u>39,763</u>
The investment comprises shares in the Central Board of Finance, as follows:		
	No. of shares	No. of shares
Chancel Fund	286	286
Chapman Bequest	292	292
Sadleir Bequest (Grave Trust)	134	134
Standon Church Charities	1,047	1,047
	<u>1,759</u>	<u>1,759</u>

The notes on pages 10-12 form part of these accounts

These accounts were approved by the Parochial Church Council and signed on its behalf.

John Chitham
John Chitham (Apr 23, 2025 19:04 GMT+1)

Apr 23, 2025

Rev John Chitham (Incumbent)

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Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31st December 2024

1 Accounting Policies

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis and comprise a statement that shows the charity's receipts and payments, a statement that summarises the charity's assets and liabilities and related notes. The accountancy profession have determined that only accounts prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards present a 'true and fair' view and, as these receipts and payments accounts have not (and cannot) be prepared in accordance with accounting standards, these accounts do not present (and are not intended to present) a 'true and fair' view of the charity's financial activities and state of affairs.

Funds

Endowment funds are funds the capital of which must be maintained; only income arising from investment of the endowment may be used either as restricted or unrestricted funds, depending upon the purpose for which the endowment was established.

The value of the PCC's endowment funds at 31st December is £16,463 (2023 £16,095).

Restricted funds represent (a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest, and (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.

The value of the PCC's restricted funds at 31st December is £31,826 (2023 £25,046).

Another £24,209 of restricted funds are invested in CBF Investment Fund Income Shares.

Designated funds represent income set aside by the PCC for payment of specific expenses.

The value of the PCC's designated funds at 31st December is £46,430 (2023 £43,623).

Unrestricted funds are general funds which may be used for PCC ordinary purposes.

The value of the PCC's general fund at 31st December is £55,165 (2023 £74,857).

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
2 Receipts					
2a Voluntary income					
Planned giving	47,612		1,100	48,712	55,220
Income tax	11,997		1,207	13,204	15,535
Collections and donations	10,035		2,841	12,876	21,082
Legacies		6,000		6,000	38,748
Grants and appeals	138		29,309	29,447	21,446
Contributions	1,463	50		1,513	4,484
	<u>71,245</u>	<u>6,050</u>	<u>34,457</u>	<u>111,752</u>	<u>156,515</u>
2b Income from investments					
Dividends			1,104	1,104	1,087
Interest	5,592			5,592	3,443
	<u>5,592</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,104</u>	<u>6,696</u>	<u>4,530</u>

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3 Payments	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Church activities					
Missionary and charitable giving:					
Overseas Missionary Societies	363	1,000	2,970	4,333	5,612
Overseas relief and development agencies			175	175	50
Home missions and other Church societies	50		504	554	1,474
Secular agencies			9,215	9,215	5,523
	<u>413</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>12,864</u>	<u>14,277</u>	<u>12,659</u>
Parish share	62,653			62,653	60,141
Other ministry expenses	14,675	275	1,103	16,053	17,366
Church running expenses & maintenance	20,406		2,209	22,615	22,980
Other expenses	101			101	249
Administrator	4,579			4,579	4,356
Other administrative expenses	2,299			2,299	2,149
Capital projects			14,596	14,596	17,093
	<u>105,126</u>	<u>1,275</u>	<u>30,772</u>	<u>137,173</u>	<u>136,993</u>

Capital Projects

The project to repair the stonework on the tower continues. After the prework completed in 2023, the work has gone out to tender but various delays have meant that winter has delayed the start of the work. It's now hoped that builders will be appointed and work will start in the spring of 2025. FOSM still plans to fund the work, and the promise of a top-up grant has been received, which will enable us to complete more of the work in one go. £6,313 plus vat (reclaimed through the LPW scheme) has been spent on the tower project in 2024.

The work to locate and rectify damage to the Victorian drainage under the tower, started in 2023, has been completed, costing £5,850 plus vat (reclaimed through the LPW scheme).

£287.35 of the vat on capital work is yet to be claimed from LPW. A claim will be submitted in February 2025.

4 Governance costs

	2024 £	2023 £
Independent examination fee	<u>1,080</u>	<u>1,062</u>

5 Staff and Trustees

The PCC has no employed members of staff. Other than the Rector, who is not employed by us, its activities are generally carried out by volunteers.

Michael Smith, a Trustee, received £6,624 during the year in his capacity as Benefice Director of Music (2023 £6,525). This amount is permitted by the governing document of the charity, and the cost is shared with our other benefice churches. No remuneration was paid to any other trustee during the year nor to any person connected to them.

The fees of the organist are included in ministry expenses.

PCC members and officers were reimbursed for any PCC expenses they incurred.

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6 Movement in Funds

	Balance 01.01.24	Income	Transfers between funds	Expenses	Balance 31.12.24
Unrestricted Funds					
General Fund	74,858	84,545	1,968	(106,206)	55,165
Unrestricted Funds - Designated					
The Centre	1,243		(968)	(275)	0
Legacy Fund	36,290	5,400			41,690
Tithe Fund	3,925	600		(1,000)	3,525
Transport Fund	1,000				1,000
Streaming equipment Fund	165	50			215
For replacement communion linen	1,000		(1,000)		0
	<u>118,481</u>	<u>90,595</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(107,481)</u>	<u>101,595</u>
Restricted Funds					
Restoration Fund	(3,653)	19,538		(14,595)	1,290
Appeals	9,081	11,876		(10,843)	10,114
Leadership Training Fund	1,500				1,500
Bells Appeal	7,097				7,097
Friends of Standon Churchyard	1,470	2,463		(2,209)	1,724
Piano Fund	100				100
Choir Fund	945	1,715		(1,103)	1,557
Standon Church Charities	6,503	657		(503)	6,657
Overseas Mission Partners	1,468	1,302		(1,518)	1,252
Pastoral Fund	535				535
	<u>25,046</u>	<u>37,551</u>		<u>(30,771)</u>	<u>31,826</u>
Total Funds	143,527	128,146		(138,252)	133,421

Legacies received are allocated to the Legacy Fund (90%) and the Tithe Fund (10%).

7 Connected Charities

The Friends of St Mary's Church, Standon Charity Commission No. 1088516

Main objects: The preservation, beautification and improvement of the fabric of the church.

These are pursued by raising funds and making donations to Standon PCC towards the cost of the work it supports.

The charity is run by a committee made up of 6 people appointed by Standon PCC and 6 people elected by its annual general meeting.