

# **St. Laurence's Church, Scalby**

## **Annual Trustees Report 2023**

**(Inc. Committee Reports for the year)**



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## **PART A**

### **Annual Report**

**St. Laurence's Church, Scalby, Scarborough, YO13 0PS**

**St. Laurence's Church reg. Charity No 1131317**

**Annual Parochial Church Council Meeting, Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2024**

**The annual report covers the year 2023.**

#### **Aims and Purpose of the Parochial Church Council (PCC)**

The aims and purpose of the PCC is the promotion of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England. The PCC (Powers) Measure of 1956 states the PCC is to cooperate with the Minister in promoting in the Parish of Scalby in the Deanery of Scarborough, the whole mission of our church, pastoral, evangelical and social and ecumenical.

It is with this purpose that the PCC usually meets on 6 occasions. During the year the PCC meetings were held on: 16<sup>th</sup> January, 13<sup>th</sup> March, 23<sup>rd</sup> April (following the Annual Church Meeting), 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 17<sup>th</sup> July, 18<sup>th</sup> September and 20<sup>th</sup> November.

The PCC operates through several committees that further the mission of St. Laurence's Church and the community it serves.

#### **Membership of the Parochial Church Council April 2022-April 2023**

In accordance with the Church Representation Rules, members of the PCC are either ex-officio or elected at the APCM.

From the 2022-2023 PCC the following members finished their term of office: Tom Hill, Hilary Wallace, Lesley Newton and Val Aston.

In addition, Carolyn Scott (term of office to end 2024) and Sandra Dudley (term of office to end 2024) resigned. Those elected at the Annual Meeting

on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2023 were Christine Grimmett and Yvonne Wilson. Paul Bean was co-opted to the PCC on 23<sup>rd</sup> April after the meeting.

We thank everyone who left the PCC at this time, for their energy and commitment. Their support has been very much valued.

During 2023 the following served as members of the PCC:

Ministry Team:	Revd. Tony Hand	Chair
Churchwarden:	Mrs Sue Truefitt	PCC Secretary
	Mrs Gillian Bradley	Deputy Chair
Secretary to PCC:	Mrs Sue Truefitt	Deanery synod rep
Joint Treasurers:	Mr John Freeman	(non-voting)
	Mrs Rana Sharrock	(non-voting)
Deanery Synod Reps:	Mrs Joan Fennell	
	Mrs Sue Truefitt	
Lay Members:	Mrs Lyn Blyth	(term of office to end 2024)
	Mr Mike Pixton	(term of office to end 2024)
	Mrs Julia Bean	(term of office to end 2025)
	Mr Paul Bean	(term of office to end 2026)
	Mrs Christine Grimmett	(term of office to end 2026)
	Mrs Jenny Wray	(term of office to end 2025)
	Mrs Yvonne Wilson	(term of office to end 2026)

Through the year the PCC had the support of two Deputy Churchwardens:  
Mrs Elizabeth Anderson  
Mrs Valerie Aston

Safeguarding Officer: Mrs Pat Critchlow  
Parish Safeguarding Administrator: Mrs Jo Brown

### **Safeguarding Statement:**

The Parochial Church Council of St. Laurence, Scalby, has complied with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have regard to the House of Bishop's guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults). A full report on Safeguarding matters through the year is included in the appendix.

**The office of Charities Administrator** continues to be held by Linda Thompson. A report will be available as part of the appendix.

### **Standing Committee**

This is the only committee that is required by law. It has the power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directives by the Council. There have been 7 meetings of the Standing Committee this year at which agendas for PCC meetings were prepared and delegated business was actioned: 9<sup>th</sup> January, 6<sup>th</sup> March, 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 15<sup>th</sup> May, 10<sup>th</sup> July, 11<sup>th</sup> September and 13<sup>th</sup> November.

### **Committees**

The PCC operates through several committees which aim to meet between the PCC meetings when reports of their work are brought to the PCC. These are: Finance, Property, Discipleship and Worship, Missions, Social, Communications, Building Together and Pastoral Care.

### **The Friends of St. Laurence**

The Friends of St. Laurence is a separate charity and aims to support the church both practically and financially.

### **Church Services**

At the beginning of 2023 the services were as set out as follows offering a variety of worship for people to attend.

Sundays:	8.00am	Book of Common Prayer (BCP) Communion
	10.30am	All Age Worship! on the first Sunday of the month
	10.30am	Communion 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Sundays
	10.30am	Morning Worship 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sundays
	3.00pm	Baptism (usually 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in the afternoon)

Mondays: 10am Toddler Praise (monthly, led by Celia Hare)

Thursdays: 10.30am Book of Common Prayer (BCP) Communion and  
Prayer in the Parish  
7.30pm Café Explore (last Thursday in the month)

Saturdays: 4.00pm Messy Church (monthly)

The Thursday Communion and Prayer in the Parish attracts around 15 regular worshippers. The Revd Tony Hand, Revd Marion Wright, Revd Stephen Walker and Tony Shaw provide leadership.

Café Explore meets in the Church Rooms and offers an opportunity for information and Café Style worship which is prepared for and led by Marie Freeman, with help from a team of people.

On 12<sup>th</sup> March, 23<sup>rd</sup> July and 29<sup>th</sup> October Taize Worship has been offered, led by Revd Marion and Chris Wright.

In 2023 new outreach and worship has been developed and offered by Celia Hare, our Childrens, Families and Youth Worker in the form of Fun with Food (fortnightly on Sunday 5.00pm-6.00pm) a young people's group and Fun with Faith (monthly on Saturday 4.00pm -5.00pm) offering worship focused on young people, families and all those who connect with an informal activity-based offer of worship, with both being based in the Church Rooms.

Developed through the work of the Building Together committee a new Sunday service pattern was introduced from October 2023 in response to the challenge of connecting with families and young people post pandemic, offering a new focus to giving a welcome to new attenders and enabling the whole church to explore the Building Together vision which was agreed by the PCC at its meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> July 2023.

Sundays: 8 am BCP Communion each Sunday  
10.30am Celebrate! 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday  
3pm Baptism 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday  
10.30 am Holy Communion 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays  
10.30am Building Together (Morning Worship) 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday

The Building Together Sunday service on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday was included in the new pattern for Sunday services to help bring the Vision to the life of the whole church and wider community.

### **Church Services and Average Attendance**

The average attendance at services in **2023** was as follows:

Sundays:	8.00am	17 adults
	10.30am	73 adults 4 children
Thursday:	10.30am	14 adults
Messy Church:	4.00pm	43 attending
Café Explore:	7.30pm	9-16 adults
Christmas:	Christingle services	285 adults and 86 children
	Midnight Holy Communion	58 Adults
	8.00am	20 Adults
	10.30am Family worship	95 adults and children

Baptisms 11

Weddings 2

Funerals 11

Burial of ashes 13

In **2023** there were 192 on the Electoral Roll.

### **Our Mission Statement**

The PCC adopted our Vision statement which was prepared by the Building Together Committee following the Awayday at Wydale Hall in October 2022.

#### **VISION:**

What we hope to see

**Building together a community of faith that reaches out with God's love  
– in Jesus' name.**

#### **MISSION:**

How we are making it a reality

**Growing together as disciples and enabling others to follow Jesus.**

## **VALUES:**

How we live to bring the VISION and MISSION to life

**Being like Jesus through love that is seen in ...**

**PRAYER-CREATIVITY-INVITATION-LEARNING-JOY-SERVING**

## **STRATEGY:**

Taking our PRIORITIES and turning them into ACTIONS

**Building Together...and being seen to be**

**a church that** is ever more like Jesus

**a church that** is reaching out to and engaging with the wider community and the world around us

**a church that** is growing younger and in numbers

**a church that** offers the facilities we need, to be who God is calling us to be today

**a church where** everyone works well together – in whatever we do

The work of the PCC through the year has focused on bringing the vision to life and the following sections of this report aim to illustrate this.

## **Worship:**

Our 10.30am Sunday services continue to be live streamed via Facebook with this remaining on the Church Facebook page afterwards. This enables us to reach those who are housebound and anyone wanting to access our worship online both locally and from further afield. Use of a projector and screen in place of service sheets and hymn books, helps to enable this provision. A group of singers continue to lead our sung worship at 10.30am led by Chris Wright, our Director of Music and Church organist who also invites musicians to form instrumental groups to lead and support our worship at festivals. He has been helped by Maurice Martinson who plays the organ for some services.

Throughout the year festivals and other celebrations give the opportunity to offer worship that connects to them. Mothers' Day posies were made and given out during the Mothering Sunday service and refreshments afterwards included Simnel cake – a traditional Mothering Sunday offering.

Beginning the Easter events there was Holy Communion for Maundy Thursday. During the evening there was a Seder meal in the Church Rooms, where we remembered the Passover meal shared by Jesus and his



disciples. On Good Friday there was a walk of witness round the church and churchyard led by Celia Hare, followed by soup and activities in the church rooms. The children helped to create the Easter Garden which was then carried into church. On Easter Sunday flowers were placed on a processional cross as people arrived, and it was then carried into church to start the service. After the service the children enjoyed an egg hunt round the churchyard.

A Remembrance Day service took place as usual and a large congregation followed on to the memorial for an act of remembrance, where a list of the fallen was read and wreaths laid, including one by the Town Council.

The traditional carol service was held twice on the Sunday before Christmas, and the church was full on both occasions, attracting many new people. We held two Christingle services on Christmas Eve which were organised by Hilary Wallace and Celia Hare. They were very popular, and over £450 was raised for the Childrens' Society. The midnight mass was also well attended, as was morning worship on Christmas Day, which was led by Celia Hare.

Three house groups were started during the year, two during the day, led by Marion Wright and Lyn Blyth, and one on Wednesday evening led by Sue Truefitt.

**Seeing our vision come to life – Building together a church that is reaching out to and engaging with the wider community and the world around us:**  
On Mothering Sunday Church members sat at the lychgate and in the church porch after the service and offered posies to people coming to visit their mothers' graves.

The memorial service for all families who have been bereaved this year, and anyone who wants to remember their loved ones took place on 5<sup>th</sup> November, with refreshments served afterwards at the back of church, and was well attended as usual, and was a great comfort to the bereaved.

At Christmas the usual Wassail evening was held, again in the Rugby Club, ensuring that it was open to more people and not only the church community. It was very popular and great fun, plus several new people attended.

The Barnabas Group met on the first Tuesday of each month and provided support to anybody who had been bereaved. It is a place where they can have a cup of tea, a slice of cake and a friendly chat. Rosie Coles took over from Mavis Wild during the year, and is ably helped by Sally McIntyre. The numbers attending are growing.

During the winter, aware of the impact of the cost-of-living crisis, we worked in partnership with the Nag's Head pub in Scalby village to offer a Warm Space from January to March. We provided a point of contact and a welcomer and the Nag's Head kindly provided tea, coffee and biscuits. Up to a dozen attended on occasion with those coming along, either as a one off or regularly, enjoying company and warmth together. We were very grateful to the Nag's Head for their welcome.

Once a month members of the church meet for coffee at Webb Ellis house, an elderly support facility in the parish for Chat and Chuckle. Residents come and enjoy meeting and having a chat, whilst Maurice Martinson brings his keyboard and plays light music. It is becoming a very popular occasion.

The Church Rooms are used by several village groups, including Scalby Wives, Rainbows, Brownies and Guides, Pilates classes and a Morris Dancing group, plus Friends meetings and church group meetings.

At Christmas we held two pop-up nativities with carols, one in Scalby village, and one at the Rosette pub which lots of children and families attended. Chris Wright, Celia Hare, Sue Truefitt and Kate Hill all made these possible, and many church members supported them.

### **Seeing our vision come to life – Building together a church that is growing younger and in numbers:**

We continue to employ a Children and Families Worker (CFYW), Celia Hare, who is supported by a team of helpers in various ways. Messy Church has been offered once a month and is open to all while having a particular focus on families. 'Fun and Food' offers teenagers a space for social activities, learning for life and prayer on Sunday evening twice a month. Young people play in Chris Wright's occasional band. Celia and Sarah Readman host Little Steps, a toddler group for parents and tots every Monday morning in term time, and Celia leads Toddler Praise with them once a

month. Celia has also been renewing links with Newby and Scalby School, our local primary school. There were class visits to the church during the year and we hosted two carol services for the school in church in December. There is a full appendix of her work as our Children, Families and Youth Worker at the end of this report.

**Seeing our vision come to life – Building a church that offers the facilities we need to be who God is calling us to be today:**

At the moment we are very fortunate to have the use of the Church Rooms for administration and meetings. However, we are conscious that things could be improved and are exploring the development of the church and the facilities it offers to improve people's experience of both church and Church Rooms. Looking ahead to 2024 the Building Together committee will focus on exploring the possibilities they offer.

**Seeing our vision come to life – Building a church where everyone works well together in whatever we do:**

We are very fortunate to have a welcoming, active congregation, and know from remarks made by new members how quickly they feel welcome and valued. We are also fortunate that these 'new' people have willingly volunteered to fill various roles to support our life together at St. Laurence's.

**Our Ministry Team** – everyone at St Laurence's has a part to play in the ministry that is at the heart of our life together. Support for this comes from those in recognised ministries and we are grateful to those who serve and lead through these.

Following changes to the arrangements for the Recognised Parish Assistant (RPA) scheme to Authorised Lay Ministry our RPAs decided to step down from their roles and we can record our thanks to Mrs Sue Brown (Pastoral), Mrs Marie Freeman (Mission), Dr Gordon Hayes and Mrs Sally McIntyre (Pastoral) for their contributions to the life of St. Laurence's while serving as RPAs.

We have been fortunate this year to be joined by two new members of the ministry team. Revd Stephen Walker retired here and has begun to support our ministry having been given permission to officiate (PTO) from our

archbishop. This includes leading worship and teaching and taking funerals and services round the area. Kevin Boak retired here from Scotland and has now been licensed as a Reader by the Archbishop, (now known in our diocese as a Licenced Lay Ministry) and now preaches regularly here. During the year Philip Newell retired from his role as a Reader, but happily he still worships with us. We are thankful to Bishop David Wilbourne who regularly takes the 8am communion service and Rosie Coles who serves locally through the Methodist Church as a methodist minister in the role of volunteer chaplain at Scarborough Hospital, and who, having made St. Laurence's her home, assists in leading worship and preaching. We are always thankful for Revd Marion Wright, who though nominally retired, still helps by leading services. Stephen Cotterell the Most Rev and Rt Hon. the Lord Archbishop of York came to worship with us this year and preached. This was a very memorable occasion and a great encouragement to us all in our worship and discipleship.

### **Finance – caring for our financial life together**

There is a detailed financial report available but we would like to acknowledge and say thank you to our Treasurer John Freeman for all his very considerable hard work overseeing the finances of St. Laurence's, and for helping Rana Sharrock as she has taken over the not inconsiderable task of over-seeing the church's finances. Thank you, Rana. Thanks also to our Planned Giving Recorder Martin Williamson, Gift Aid Recorder Mike Pixton and to John Mills for managing the Electoral Roll. John Mills handed over the Electoral Roll to Liz Anderson at the 2023 APCM. Thank you, Liz for agreeing to help.

### **Fabric, fixtures and fittings – caring for our Church, the Church Rooms, School House and Churchyard.**

The property committee oversees these matters on a day-to-day basis and a full report from them is included in the appendix. The committee is assisted by several volunteers, our administrative team based in the Church office and contractors who work through the year to enable this work to be done as effectively and efficiently as possible. Special thanks to Maurice Martinson who oversees the church heating, and Sally McIntyre and Colin Grimmett for their work in the churchyard.

## **Other Groups**

The tower and hand bell ringers are led by Alan Grundy, Captain of the Bells. In addition to ringing the bells as a call to worship they ring at weddings and funerals when requested, and the handbell ringers perform as part of the annual carol services.

## **Thankfulness**

We have a lot to be thankful for this year. We have many church members who help in all sorts of ways, from cleaning the church, to streaming the services. They are too numerous to name, but it always strikes us what a willing and wonderful team of people we have who are so committed to St. Laurence's church.

Thank you also to Sarah Readman for her work in organising the office and to Jo Brown who has joined her there, and taken on the administration of safeguarding to help our Safeguarding Officer, Jackie Hall.

Thank you to our Deputy Churchwardens Valerie Aston and Liz Anderson for their help over the year, their knowledge, kindness and support.

Thank you to our PCC and especially to Sue Truefitt, who as well as being Churchwarden is also PCC secretary and organises pastoral visiting and social events.

Our thanks go to Revd Tony Hand our vicar and all our clergy and readers and those who have taken or added to our services, and to Rachel, Tony's wife, for both supporting Tony, and becoming an active member of our church community.

Especially thank you to our congregation, for being a friendly and welcoming church. We have lost count of the number who have visited or become members of our congregation who have said how welcome they were made to feel. Thank you all.

Gillian Bradley and Sue Truefitt (Churchwardens)

## **PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. LAURENCE'S CHURCH SCALBY**

### **FINANCIAL REVIEW FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 2023**

#### **INCOME AND EXPENDITURE OUTLINE (Figures are reported in GBP and in thousands)**

Before the year started our 2023 budget prediction was 71K deficit and it was a very encouraging result to reduce the deficit to 44K during 2023 with the help and contributions from our dedicated volunteers and staff.

Like many charities, our income is very sensitive to legacies receivable. In 2023, the legacy income was considerable less whereas the planned giving, gift aid and other similar donations remained the same year on year. Church room lettings were marginally higher.

As the interest rates started increasing, we benefited from an additional income of 11K. In conjunction with this, our investment portfolio also increased by 20K therefore cancelling the loss it sustained in 2022 which was 18K. This is an unrealised gain resulted in bringing back the portfolio value to 2021 level.

The expenditure was higher than last year's by 28K and main reasons for this were due to increase in Mission grants by 8K, Freewill offering by 6K, CFY worker's salary by 6K (2023 being full year, as 2022 was for nine months, Church expenses by 5K, Church rooms and house expenses by 7K, (mainly repairs and heating costs), Church admin by 2K (mainly printing and stationery costs). Church yard expenses were down by 4K mainly less money spend on repairs and renewals.

The properties continue to be valued at 475K as for 2021. They are governed by restrictions on the use of funds realised on their sale. The buildings need major repair works and we are awaiting for the planning application approval for the windows and the house porch replacement is an on-going issue with our insurers. One of our employees of the Church Yard team, left his employment at the year end due to moving away from Scarborough.

## **RESERVES**

PCC hold restricted and endowment funds of 121K and designated funds of 310K and unrestricted funds of 129K total of 560K excluding property. Each fund balance is listed on page 11, note 9. In monetary asset terms, the funds were made up of 200K in investments balance of 360K in liquid assets. Both asset and fund categories total to 560K.

PCC 's liquidity reserve, current account balances were 69K and this would cover three to four months of routine payments. The general fund balance excluding debtors and creditors was 125K excluding fixed assets.

In conclusion, total worth of our balance sheet is 1,038K, down by 23K after taking into account the unrealised gain in investments.

## **PUBLIC BENEFIT**

The PCC members have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charities Commission in exercising their powers and duties, in terms of operational and safeguarding aspects.

## **ST LAURENCE'S CHURCH SCALBY**

### **PARISH CHARITIES 2023**

St Laurence's Church has 8 Parish Charities. The charities are administered through the Vicar and Churchwardens of Scalby Church apart from the Christopher Keld Charity which is independently administered by the Vicar of Scalby and 4 Trustees from the Parish and the Town Council. They are:

#### **JOHN JAMES CHARITY (1876)**

Income from investments is to be used for the benefit of the poor of Scalby and Newby and to be distributed at Christmas each year.

Overseers - Vicar of Scalby and Churchwardens.

#### **SARAH KNOWSLEY BREAD CHARITY (1714)**

Extract from the Will - "Rent to be expended in the purchase of bread, to be distributed week by week on a Sunday at the Church amongst the poorest sort of people, inhabitants within the townships of Scalby, Burniston, and Newby." The rent has long since gone but there is capital invested and the interest from the capital can be used at the discretion of the Overseers.

Overseers - Vicar of Scalby and Churchwardens.

#### **KATE HARGRAVE LONG CHARITY**

Income from investments to be distributed at the discretion of the Vicar and Churchwardens of Scalby to the poor and sick of Scalby.

Overseers - Vicar of Scalby and Churchwardens.



## **SCALBY, NEWBY, BURNISTON COAL CHARITY**

Combined Charities of

### **ADAM FARSHIDE (1700)**

Extract from the Will “to distribute to the poor within the town and constabulary of Scalby on Easter, Whit Sunday and Christmas Day.”

### **EDWARD SEDGEFIELD DONER (1848)**

Extract from the Will - “to distribute coal at Christmas amongst the poor inhabitants of Scalby, Newby, Burniston.”

The interest from a small investment can be used at the discretion of the Overseers.

Overseers - Vicar of Scalby and Churchwardens.

### **CHRISTOPHER KELD CHARITY (1780)**

To help 3 beneficiaries (men/women) who are in need and reside in Scalby, Newby or Throxenby. The income for this charity is now investments and the rent from a small grazing field (1.884 acres) at Barmoor. The Trustees are Vicar of Scalby, 2 Councillor’s appointed by the Town Council and 2 Parishioners appointed by the Vicar of Scalby. The Clerk to the Trustees is myself and I visit the beneficiaries up to 4 times a year to distribute the monies. The Trustees meet once a year at the end of November when they decide the allocation of money for the forthcoming year.

## **HAROLD AND LILIAN NEEDHAM TRUST**

The trust originally existed to enable the distribution of sacks of coal to the poor and sick of the Parish of Scalby but if that is not suitable parcels of groceries or other goods. Currently St Laurence’s Good Neighbour Committee distributes plants to the sick, housebound and bereaved twice a year on behalf of the trust.

Sole Trustee - Vicar of Scalby who has now delegated the distribution to the Chairman and members of the Good Neighbour Committee.

### **HELENA HEWITSON TRUST**

Income from investments allows grants to be given to children of 16 years and under on a “per capita” basis. The Trust is for children who attend worship at St Laurence’s Church or St Mark’s Church and are involved with children’s activities. i.e. Choir members, Bell ringers, Sunday School members, Brownies, Guides, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Children and Youth Groups.

Overseers - Vicar of Scalby and Churchwardens.

### **DEACONESS MOLLIE RICKINSON MEMORIAL TRUST**

The Trust’s objective is ‘the advancement of children and young people’s education and in particular religious education within Scalby Parish’. The Trustees are empowered to make gifts or loans with or without interest towards the provision or maintenance of school or other educational institutes within the Parish and can give towards the general and religious education of anyone residing in the Parish or who regularly attends church services at St Laurence or a member of the Sunday School.

The Trust can also contribute towards the provision of lectures and films of an educational religious nature or towards the purchase of musical instruments for the benefit of young person’s residing in the Parish. The Trust can contribute towards the furtherance of all activities promoted by the PCC in connection with general and religious education and religious welfare of the children of the Parish.

Overseers - The Churchwardens of St Laurence’s Church.

There are plaques in Church on the wall behind the Font relating to some of these Charities. There is a plaque on the house next to the paper shop in the High Street , Scalby relating to the benefactor Christopher Keld.

Other than the Christopher Keld Charity our parish charities have been inactive for some time and through the year myself, Sue Truefitt (Churchwarden) Revd Hand and Jo Brown as one of our church administrators, have been working to revitalise these charities. This has required contact and work with the Charities Commission, Barclays Bank regarding arrangements for their current accounts and the Churches, Charities and Local Authorities Investment Management Limited (CCLA) who hold funds on deposit. The aim is to review and renew these charities and get them active again.

Linda Thompson – 21<sup>st</sup> March 2024

## **DEANERY SYNOD REPORT**

Currently St. Laurence's has two Deanery Representatives, Joan Fennell and Sue Truefitt. There is one vacancy. The Synod has met three times this year in March, June and October. The March meeting was held at the Spring Café at Hunmanby, but unfortunately clashed with St. Laurence's PCC meeting. The Deanery continued to focus on the issues raised through the discussions around "Living Christ's Story". There had been further discussion at the March meeting, following which a questionnaire had been sent out with responses to be returned by the 30<sup>th</sup> May. The Deanery Leadership Team then proposed to collate the responses and base Deanery support to parishes on these.

In the past there had been a levy on parishes to support St. Martin's school. However, due to issues around Covid, the levy had been changed to a voluntary donation. As this exceeded the results from the levy it was decided to continue on the donation basis. St. Laurence's made a donation of £150, the previous levy having been £60.

The June meeting was held at Holy Nativity Church, Eastfield. There was a presentation by Julia Robertson, Diocesan Lay Ministry Adviser and Revd Canon Nick Bird, Diocesan Adviser for Vocations on the New Ministry Opportunities – Lay and Ordained. Following on from the questionnaire and the collation of the responses, the Deanery Plan was presented.

The final meeting of the year was in October and was held at St. Martin's School. It opened with a presentation about the school from the head, Mrs. Clare Barber, and some of the staff. Appreciation was expressed for the donations received from the Deanery and information given as to how this was helping the school in its literacy journey in particular.

Again, the meeting took up the progress with "Living Christ's Story". A need for resourcing training and a better network to enhance and enable those working in parish roles. An event had been arranged for the 27<sup>th</sup> October for churchwardens, secretaries and treasurers with the Venerable

John Day, and it was proposed to hold another Deanery conference on the 14<sup>th</sup> September 2024 which would include workshops.

The need for a Deanery Synod Governor was highlighted.

There is still a vacancy for another Deanery representative from the Parish. It is interesting to be part of the wider picture and to share experiences with other parishes. It give a different insight into the workings of the Church!

Sue Truefitt

## **FABRIC AND PROPERTY REPORT 2023**

### **Committee Members:**

Maurice Martinson (Chair), Sally McIntyre (Minutes) Tom Pindar, Jenny Stainthorpe, Revd. Tony Hand, Valerie Aston Paul Bean, Brian Wilson and Sue Truefitt.

#### **1. Church**

Cracks have been noticed to the left of the main altar and above the chancel arch. The church architect, Ian Hayton, has visited the church during the year and has seen both. Dynorod have been to inspect the drains to see if there is an issue with these, but have confirmed that we have soakaways which are functioning. The roof is in good repair and all gutters are cleared regularly.

Electrical work has been carried out to provide additional sockets to allow the installation of a sum-up machine for contactless giving.

Yorkshire Water have visited the church and cleared the supply to the church giving a much better flow to the church and churchyard. The annual servicing of the heating system and the organ and all PAT testing has been carried out.

#### **2. Churchyard**

The repair and replacement of the floodlights has been completed. The Community Service Team, together with Sally and George McIntyre, carried out the maintenance work in the closed part of the churchyard, during the year, and the team will return to do the same work again this year.

John Charlesworth, one of our two sextons, left as he was moving away from the area. He completed the full year. Arrangements are in hand to cover his work and assist Colin Grimmett, who is continuing. We are very grateful to both of them.

There are now two permanent grit bins in the churchyard. The water supply to the Glebe Field is still under consideration. Estimates are awaited from K. Holt and Son as to the cost of taking a supply down there now that the flow of water has improved substantially. Quotes were obtained for

the provision of a shelter with barrels to catch rain water, but the cost was such that it was felt appropriate to explore the cost of an actual supply.

Paul Bean very kindly undertook work to the soakaway at the flower shed as this was backing up badly. He has resolved the problem and is hoping to replace the gutters to the shed.

A faculty was obtained to sanction the removal of two dead elm trees and the partial removal of a hawthorn. The lighting posts, gibbet posts and wooden structure at the entrance to the Glebe Field have all been treated and the Sexton's Hut painted. Ken's Gate has been painted and the adjacent notice board repaired. Loose pavements on the long steps had been secured.

There had been a problem with puddling in heavy rain near the Lych Gate. Pea gravel has been laid to try to resolve this.

### 3. Church Rooms

It is hoped that the renewal of the windows in the office, playroom and ladies' toilet will go ahead this year. The application for planning permission was submitted last year and was delayed by the issues surrounding North Yorkshire County Council taking over. The PCC was then advised that the application was likely to be refused and advised to withdraw at this stage and re-submit with a comprehensive report by a planning consultant to justify the proposed replacement. This is now in hand and it is hoped that the revised application will go in shortly.

General maintenance and some electrical work has been carried out over the year. There is an ongoing issue with some chimney maintenance which is required by the insurers following the survey report commissioned by the church. It is hoped that this issue will be resolved shortly.

### 4. School House.

A full drain survey was carried out by Auger on behalf of the insurers. The contractors then employed by the insurers have now completed the work to stitch the cracks in the walls, repaired the drains, re-decorate where work has been carried out and replace the bathroom window. The porch had to be removed to allow scaffolding to go up, and negotiations are in hand with the insurers for the replacement of this. Work was also carried

out by Rentokil to treat wood work in the property. Electrodec have upgraded the electricity supply.

My thanks once again to fellow members of the Property committee who have worked together through what has been another busy year. Particular thanks to Sally McIntyre who has overseen the work in the churchyard and carried out a substantial amount of work herself.

Maurice Martinson  
(Chair)



## **PART B**

### **Reports on Other Activities Throughout the Year**

#### **SAFEGUARDING REPORT**

Jacqui Hall was appointed as our new Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO) in January 2024, following safer recruitment guidelines.

From Jacqui: “ **As the new PSO I am currently completing training and getting myself up to speed with the role and will have a clearer picture of safeguarding within St Laurence’s for future reports.**”

Jo Brown remains as the Parish Safeguarding Administrator

#### **DBS**

The service provider for DBS remains “thirtyoneeight.org”. Seven DBS checks have been applied for and completed since March 2023. DBS checks are renewed every 3 years. Individuals are invited to start the application process online then identity and documentation checks are completed in person. A record is kept, digitally, of the certificate numbers and renewal dates.

#### **Safeguarding Training**

The Church of England House of Bishops have precise training requirements for all church members involved in Leadership roles, e.g. Clergy, Church Wardens, Readers, Authorised Lay Ministry and Parish Safeguarding Officer.

All members of the PCC are required to complete Basic, Foundation and Domestic Abuse training. There remains only 1 member to complete their Domestic Abuse training. Safer Recruitment training will be required if involved in a selection and/or an interview process.

Training courses are online and there is a record held of everyone who has completed Safeguarding training and when renewal is due. Training needs to be renewed every 3 years.

Providing access to a laptop, in the church office, for church members who lack confidence in their IT skills is now available and dates need to be arranged for a few members to update their training.

### **Safeguarding Development Plan**

This is currently being updated in preparation for adoption by the PCC at their meeting in May. It is based on the requirements of the Model Safeguarding Parish Check List, designed by the Church of England. It is our guide for progress, developing new procedures and checking those already in place, to ensure that our church is a safe place for all.

## **Children, Family and Youth Worker Report January – December 2023**

**Little Steps** takes place weekly in term time. Numbers have been fairly consistent over the year and we have had to put a waiting list in place. While we are reluctant to have a waiting list we are aware of fire regulations and need to ensure that there is room for all of the children to play safely. 19 families come to Little Steps although we don't get every family every week. **Toddler Praise** took place every month except August.

**Messy Church** has continued to meet monthly. Numbers have settled at about 30 – 40. We had a Mini Messy Easter on Good Friday. We met in the morning rather than the afternoon and finished at 12pm with soup, hot cross buns and drinks. We had 52 people join us. We also had a Messy Picnic in August. This was a low-key Messy Church; we met at the usual time but families brought a picnic and we had some craft activities and games. It was an opportunity to meet with any of the families that were in Scarborough that week. People no longer have to book places but are asked to let us know if they are planning to come; this helps with planning for catering and the activities that we do. Some families book and some just turn up on the day. While the system makes it more accessible for the families it does make it difficult for those doing the catering.

The **All Age** team continued to plan, prepare and lead the services on the first Sunday of the month. In the autumn it was decided to try a different pattern of worship on the first and third Sundays of the month. The first Sunday became a **Celebrate!** service and on the third Sunday there is a service that focuses on the 'Building Together' values that were identified in the vision. The Celebrate! services are designed to be more informal than some of the other services and accessible to anyone who comes. These services continue to be planned, prepared and led by the All Age team and we have been joined by Kevin Boak.

In October we began **Fun with Faith** which is a very informal gathering in the Church Rooms. It happens on the first Saturday of the month at 4pm. It got off to a slow start but appears to be enjoyed by the families that come.

**Baptisms** normally take place on the third Sunday of the month in the afternoon with a limited number during the All Age service. There were six baptisms in 2023. We invite families who want their children baptised to come to an All Age service, Celebrate! service or Fun with Faith before the baptism. We meet with the family to help them think about what baptism is.

**Newby and Scalby Primary School** have had several visits to St Laurence's. Year 2 classes came to visit church in March; Year 1 classes also visited in March. Year 1 visited again in May to meet some of Barnabas Group and some church members to talk about the coronation of King Charles and the coronation of the late Queen Elizabeth. Year 6 classes visited in November to mark Remembrance. The school held two carol services at St Laurence's. The CFY Worker was involved in several events in Newby School throughout the year.

The PCC said that the CFY Worker could spend some time supporting **Hackness School**. We gave every child at the school an activity bag at Easter and Christmas.

The **Sunday Youth Group** decided on a name and it is now known as **Fun and Food**. It is for those in Year 6 and above. The group continues to meet on the second and fourth Sundays of the month in term time from 5.00 – 6.30pm.

We continue to develop our relationship with **Rainbows, Brownies and Guides** and their families. The CFY worker spends an evening with all three

groups once a month. Some of the children and young people who go to Rainbows, Brownies and Guides come to other activities at St Laurence's, and this has strengthened the relationship with some of these families.

**Scalby School** were unable to be involved in the Remembrance Service at St Laurence's but said that they are hoping to be involved next year.

At Easter and Christmas we were able to put a basket of craft activities and puzzle sheets, some seasonal and some secular, in **The Plough** and at Christmas we were also able to put a basket in **The Rosette**.

At **Christmas** we arranged for Mary and Joseph to travel round the parish in Advent; all went well and they did not get lost once! We had two pop-up nativities: one in Scalby village and one in the Rosette. We had two Christingle services on Christmas Eve and a family celebration on Christmas Day. All of the different events were well-attended.

Many of the activities described above are only possible because of the support of other people. Their support, hard work and commitment to the children, young people and their families was demonstrated by their willingness to give up time to pray for all that happened, to plan the activities, to prepare craft and do an immense amount of cutting out! Thank you.

Celia Hare

## **PASTORAL CARE**

**Pastoral Care Committee** (Umbrella Committee for Good Neighbour, Barnabas and Pastoral Visiting)

The aims are to:

Ensure there is a structure in place to offer pastoral care and social contact for every church member and the wider community. Put training in place each year to support and inform the work of pastoral visitors and the Barnabas Group. Maintain a system of regular sub-committee meetings and reporting to the Pastoral Care Committee, to give accountability for the work being done.

Good Neighbour and Barnabas are the subject of separate reports.

### **The Pastoral Visiting Team Report 2023**

The Pastoral Visiting Team has approximately 12 members at present. The visitors aim to bring the love of Christ into a person's life at what may be a very difficult or vulnerable time, and to help them know that the Church is there for them and cares for them.

All those on the visiting list are visited regularly by visitors who keep in touch with them and offer prayer and home communion if this is appropriate. These are people who are unable to come to church for whatever reason but who wish to keep in touch with the church family. The list is updated regularly and any information about anyone who would like a visitor is always welcome.

The team usually meets twice a year to share any issues and review what is being done. We are trying to expand our activities to ensure that everyone on the Electoral Roll has some contact with the church, but are having to explore exactly what that would mean in safeguarding terms. At one of the meetings we aim to have some form of training. Last year a session with someone from the drugs and alcohol team was planned in the Autumn but in the event had to be cancelled. The team met twice in 2023 in February and April.

## **Barnabas Group**

The Barnabas Group continues to meet on the first Tuesday of every month from 2.30 until 4pm in St. Laurence's Church rooms. The aim is to provide a safe and welcoming space for people who are bereaved to meet together.

In the last year we have welcomed several new people, and we are grateful for the support we receive from St. Laurence's (for the space to meet), from members of the congregation who generously provide transport, cakes, refreshments and practical help, and from Tony our vicar who attends most meetings.

The gatherings are varied and always aim to include time for informal conversation. During the last year we have had quizzes and seasonal activities, and several interesting talks by visiting speakers. Last July we enjoyed an afternoon tea provided by Evelyn Laidlaw, and at Christmas we had a delicious Christmas lunch at Plaxton Court in very comfortable surroundings.

During the year I have been very grateful for Sally McIntyre's support with running the Barnabas Group, and for Mavis Wild's wisdom and experience, and we are always delighted when she is able to attend our meetings.

There is an open invitation to anyone who might find this group helpful.

Rosie Coles

### **Good Neighbour Committee**

We are a small committee who meet twice a year at Easter and Harvest to update the lists of the sick, housebound and bereaved in our parish and to arrange delivery of plants and flowers.

At Easter, with the help of the Lilian Needham Trust, we purchase approximately 40 small plants to deliver on Palm Sunday.

At Harvest the flowers and produce are divided up and approximately 40 small posies are delivered, the larger arrangements to the Rambler Nursing Home, Orchard House and Danes Dyke Community Centre. The produce being shared between the Rainbow Centre and Westway House in Eastfield.

At Christmas Lin Blyth and the flower ladies arrange for small posies to be taken out.

All the deliveries are made with help of the congregation to whom we are extremely grateful and could not manage without. Very many thanks.  
If anyone would like to join our committee they would be very welcome.

Yvette Drabble.

Linda Thompson.

Sandra Dudley.



## **SOCIAL COMMITTEE REPORT 2023**

Social Committee members are Sue Truefitt, Val Aston, Jenny Wray, Helen Arnold, Kirsten Mac, Joan Fennell, Carol Brewer, Liz Anderson, Claire Dodd-Storey Julia Bean and Hilary Wallace. We are a team, and everyone is involved in the planning of each event and in the work to put the plans into effect.

Our terms of reference are: "To foster friendship and communication within the church and the wider community through:

1. Facilitating the social aspect of church events such as carol services
2. Organising social events for church members and members of the community during the year

Our year opened with a Beetle Drive in February. This is always a fun event; very hectic and full of excitement. At the end, everyone was also very full of pancakes!

There was a variation to Good Friday this year. Celia Hare, CFYW, provided hot cross buns at the start of family event, and although soup was provided at lunch time by the social committee, not many people stayed on for that as well. However, the previous evening, the committee were involved with the Seder Meal. This was very well attended and a meaningful and enjoyable evening.

The Coronation was celebrated with a bring and share lunch after a special service in church. The committed directed this and provided some of the substantial items including prosecco for the toast. The hall was suitably decorated and everyone enjoyed the event.

In July we held a BBQ at the home of Liz Anderson. The weather was absolutely glorious and the garden beautiful. Liz was most generous making her garden available and in providing appropriate facilities to enable us to hold the event. She has invited us to hold this event there again this year.

Harvest was celebrated with a traditional supper in the Church Rooms. David and Rosemary Oliver very kindly provided entertainment.

Mulled wine and mince pies were provided for both Carol Services on the 17<sup>th</sup> December and our year culminated with the Wassail Evening, again held at the Rugby Club. Our thanks go to the club for the use of the room and for the mince pies. We would also like to thank Sharon and Graham for their help with the arrangements and the staff on the night.

Scalby Tours, organised by Val Aston, Helen Arnold and Linda Thompson, have run two tours this year, both fully sold out. This first was to the Yorkshire Show in July and the second to Castle Howard in November for the Christmas decorations.

Last year was busy! We always welcome any help from outside the committee and fortunately people are ready to offer it. Many thanks to Heather Bird and Jill Bradley and others who step in where needed.

We are well underway with this year's planning. There is to be a concert in church on the 18<sup>th</sup> May 2024 at which Raven will perform and we hope that as many people as possible will come. We usually run events on a non profit making basis, but when we do find we have funds we make charitable donations. On this occasion, if when we have cleared overheads we have a surplus, we would like to make a donation to Christian Aid.

## **COMMUNICATIONS REPORT**

### **1. CONNECT – THE MAGAZINE FOR ST. LAURENCE’S, SCALBY, ST. PETER’S, HACKNESS AND ST. MARGARET’S, HARWOOD DALE**

It has been a real pleasure to work with Helen Hartley to produce the magazine during the past year. I just send her the articles and she does the difficult bit, setting them on the page and finding suitable artwork. The cost of the magazine for 2023 has remained at £1 although printing costs have risen. To offset this we agreed with the suggestion made by its printers, Basics Plus, to have it printed on recycled paper. It doesn’t look quite as good as white paper but is cheaper and helps to save the planet! During the year we lost two full-page advertisers who both said they didn’t feel they got many customers via the magazine. This underlines the importance of telling a business if you contact them because of an advert you saw in Connect. We also gained new advertisers U3A, Companionship with Care (Kirsty Cole), Tipple Underwood Estate Agents and Wrea Head. 270 copies are printed every other month but this will drop to 250 from April 2024 owing to subscribers going into care, moving away or dying, and having a surplus that can be reduced.

I continue to be grateful to all our contributors; regular and occasional. Anyone is invited to submit an article for publication. As we are a bi-monthly production some thinking ahead is often required and it is not always easy to, for example, have plans for Pentecost at the end of May ready for magazine printing at the start of March, so thanks to all who do! There are plans to have regular news from different classes at Hackness School, which is an exciting development. It would be good if this leads to more subscribers.

Our printers, Basics Plus, provide sheltered work for adults with learning disabilities through community programmes and it was good to know that its popular café recently reopened following a major fire, and the premises has been improved.

Thanks are due to our faithful team who distribute the magazine and especially to Hilary Wallace who looks after the magazine's advertisers, distribution and finances, and to Helen Hartley.

## **2. NOTICE BOARDS AND POSTERS**

Hilary Wallace has created some attractive and informative displays on the work of our church in its porch and Helen Hartley's posters are extremely eye-catching and helpful. Her forward thinking keeps the team on its toes!

## **3. NOTICE SHEETS AND EMAILED NEWS**

Sarah and Jo in the office produce informative notice sheets each Sunday which they email to anyone who asks for one. I also send out Church Family News from time to time to a list of subscribers created during lockdown. If you know of anyone who would like to join this list please let me know.

## **4. FACEBOOK AND WEBSITE**

We continue to stream the 10.30am Sunday service live on Facebook and it is watched by members of our church family who can't be with us for a variety of reasons. Jean Bogie, a faithful member of the church who died aged 96, was able to watch and worship with us via her iPad until a few months before her death. A typical Sunday service receives 175 'post reaches' and a glance at the page overview for the 28 days before 19 March 2024 shows 977 post reaches, which is the number of people who saw any of the posts on the page at least once. This does not include multiple views of a post by the same people. 468 of these people engaged with the posts and 11 new followers were added. The page has 757 regular followers, made up as follows -



Perhaps the age imbalance is not as bad as might have been expected! Facebook remains a very good way of letting people know what is going on and what we are doing in the community. NB it will be seen by many who are not regular 'followers'.

The website is operated by John Freeman and is a vital tool for sharing documents that give a lot of information, as well as being accessible to people who don't 'do' Facebook.

## 5. CHRISTMAS SERVICES LEAFLET

Once again a leaflet detailing Christmas services for our 3 churches plus Scalby Methodist Church was delivered in the run-up to Christmas. Just over 3,000 were printed. Organising this important part of our community outreach is a mammoth task for Helen and her 56 deliverers at a busy time of year so many thanks to all.

## 6. UPDATED GUIDEBOOK FOR ST LAURENCE'S NEW LEAFLET ABOUT THE CWGC GRAVES IN THE CHURCHYARD

Thanks to the Friends of St. Laurence's for funding a print run of 500 updated guide books to the church which are now on sale at £2 each. Helen and I have also created a new leaflet about the 5 Commonwealth War Graves in the churchyard that is available inside the church for visitors to take. A donation is suggested.

Lesley Newton

## **MISSION REPORT 2023**

The Mission Team continues with its work supporting the 7 charities ~ **Bible Society, Children in Distress, Children's Society, Church Army, Church Missionary Society, Sidewalk and Westway Open Arms** ~ sponsored by St. Laurence's.

The Church weekly news sheet, Facebook, website, noticeboard displays, articles in Connect as well as on the Church News email are all used to raise awareness of the work of the charities, their initiatives and campaigns.

Whilst **Christian Aid** and the **Rainbow Centre** are not designated charities, St. Laurence's is fully supportive of their work.

### **Christian Aid (Chris Wright)**

Christian Aid Week 2023 featured the needs of Malawian pea farmers, suffering through the severity of the current climate. Nationally £5 million was raised, impacting 350 associations, 544 households and 1077 new diverse businesses started by women.

We were pleased to welcome Michael Faulkner from W Yorkshire to speak to us in our Christian Aid service. He was able to highlight the importance of CA's campaigning work alongside its funding of partner projects to bring long-term solutions for the world's poorest.

Through our efforts across May and June, £3000 was raised. Over 30 people joined in the various tasks involving promoting the week, baking, counting and banking, envelope delivery, donating plants and collecting at Proudfoots. It was great that Yvonne and Joan organised such successful social events to invite others to. Chris and Marion joined the annual sponsored inter-church 5 mile walk on the Sunday afternoon. Many folk responded by making generous donations.

Christian Aid has of course been highly active in bringing relief for stricken people in both Ukraine and the Middle East, both in the fallout from the Turkey and Syrian earthquake and with the terrible Gaza conflict of recent months. A PCC emergency donation was sent before Christmas to support the earthquake response.

**Church Mission Society (Julia Bean)** Julia took over the role of CMS link during 2023 and is regular contact with Azaria. Her blog and newsletters are shared with the congregation. Rev Marion Wright organised a collection for a wedding gift for Azaria's wedding to David on 12th Nov 2023 and along with Julia and both their husbands attended the blessing of the marriage in Bramcote, Nottinghamshire on 12th February this year.

**Annual donation £2946**

**Bible Society (Christine Grimmett)** Supported by an annual donation.

**Annual donation £2964**

**Children's Society (Hilary Wallace)** A team of willing volunteers spent a morning preparing some 300 Christingles for the two Christmas Eve services which were very well attended. The collection raised £492.43

**Annual donation £2189**

**Children in Distress (Yvette Drabble)** This year several members of the congregation found it easier to donate money instead of making up the shoeboxes for the Christmas Appeal. In all, £140 was donated allowing us to purchase winter coats and shoes for one adult and one child and a medium sized Christmas Hamper. 28 boxes were sent to Romania for the Love in a Box Appeal.

**Annual donation £2189**

**Westway Open Arms** Whilst we support the charity with an annual donation, St. Laurence's main support is given by individual members of the congregation as volunteers. Many of the congregation also support their food bank and other appeals.

**Annual donation £2189**

**Church Army** At the present time, we are not supporting a particular project. Our annual donation goes into their general funds

**Annual donation £2189**

**Sidewalk** Supported by an annual donation.

**Annual donation £2189**

**Stepping Stones Ministry (Lin Blyth)**

St. Laurence's continues to sponsor 2 children at a cost of £40 per child per month. Sabitri Marandi, now 15 years old, has been supported by us for 8 years and Surjo Adibasi, about 9 years old, supported now for just over 3 years.

**May 18th, 2023**, St. Laurence's held a **coffee morning** to welcome Richard Pashby, founder of the charity, and Pastor Sanjoy Mondal, who runs both Homes for the Charity. Pastor Sanjoy had finally obtained a visa enabling him to meet with the churches and individuals who support the children. The coffee morning was quite well attended for a midweek event and we all found Sanjoy's work with the charity both in the homes and the wider community both inspiring and humbling. Their most pressing need is to raise the money to purchase a plot of land adjacent to the girls' home to provide more outdoor space and to also become a barrier to nearby activities run by mafia type gangs.

Other donations recommended by the Mission Team were:

<b>Stepping Stones Ministry</b>	towards the purchase of the land.	<b>£1000</b>
<b>Christian Aid</b>	Turkey/Syria earthquake Appeal	<b>£500</b>
<b>Christian Aid</b>	Lybia Floods Appeal	<b>£500</b>
<b>Westway Toddler Group</b>	for children with diverse needs, supported by Senses	<b>£500</b>
<b>Rainbow Centre</b>	General Funds	<b>£500</b>

**Mission Team:** Julia Bean, Lin Blyth, Yvette Drabble, Christine Grimmett, Hilary Wallace, Chris Wright



PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST LAURENCE'S SCALBY

ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST OF DECEMBER 2023

St Laurence`s Church  
Scalby  
Scarborough

Bankers

Barclays Bank Plc  
St Nicholas Street  
Scarborough

Independent Examiner

Ashby Berry Coulsons  
Chartered Accountants  
2 Belgrave Crescent Scarborough  
North Yorkshire  
YO11 1UB

## **PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST LAURENCE'S SCALBY**

### **FINANCIAL REVIEW FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2023**

#### **1 INCOME AND EXPENDITURE OUTLINE (Figures are reported in GBP and in thousands)**

Before the year started our 2023 budget prediction was 71K deficit and it was a very encouraging result to reduce the deficit to 44K during 2023 with the help and contributions from our dedicated volunteers and staff.

Like many charities, our income is very sensitive to legacies receivable. In 2023, the legacy income was considerable less whereas the planned giving, gift aid and other similar donations remained the same year on year. Church room lettings were marginally higher.

As the interest rates started increasing, we benefited from an additional income of 11K. In conjunction with this, our investment portfolio also increased by 20K therefore cancelling the loss it sustained in 2022 which was 18K. This is an unrealised gain resulted in bringing back the portfolio value to 2021 level.

The expenditure was higher than last year's by 28K and main reasons for this were due to increase in Mission grants by 8K, Freewill offering by 6K, CFY worker's salary by 6K (2023 being full year, as 2022 was for nine months, Church expenses by 5K, Church rooms and house expenses by 7K, (mainly repairs and heating costs), Church admin by 2K (mainly printing and stationery costs). Church yard expenses were down by 4K mainly less money spend on repairs and renewals.

The properties continue to be valued at 475K as for 2021. They are governed by restrictions on the use of funds realised on their sale. The buildings need major repair works and we are awaiting for the planning application approval for the windows and the house porch replacement is an on going issue with our insurers. One of our employees of the Church Yard team, left his employment at the year end due to moving away from Scarborough.

#### **2 RESERVES**

PCC hold restricted and endowment funds of 121K and designated funds of 310K and unrestricted funds of 129K total of 560K excluding property. Each fund balance is listed on page 11, note 9. In monetary asset terms, the funds were made up of 200K in investments balance of 360K in liquid assets. Both asset and fund categories total to 560K.

PCC's liquidity reserve, current account balances were 69K and this would cover three to four months of routine payments. The general fund balance excluding debtors and creditors was 125K excluding fixed assets.

In conclusion, total worth of our balance sheet is 1,038K, down by 23K after taking into account the unrealised gain in investments.

#### **3 PUBLIC BENEFIT**

The PCC members have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charities Commission in exercising their powers and duties, in terms of operational and safeguarding aspects.

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES****FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2023**


		Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total Funds	
	Note	Funds	Funds	Funds	2023	2022
<b><u>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</u></b>						
Voluntary income	2a	101,986	26,424	0	128,410	220,238
Activities for generating funds	2b	8,539	0	0	8,539	10,732
Income from investments	2c	18,418	3,747	0	22,165	11,645
Church activities	2d	9,301	0	0	9,301	12,103
<b><u>TOTAL INCOME</u></b>		<b>138,244</b>	<b>30,171</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>168,415</b>	<b>254,718</b>
<b><u>EXPENDITURE</u></b>						
Church Activities	3a	204,187	4,402	0	208,589	178,891
Raising Funds	3b	2,602	0	0	2,602	4,531
Governance	3c	1,170	0	0	1,170	1,110
<b><u>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</u></b>		<b>207,959</b>	<b>4,402</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>212,361</b>	<b>184,532</b>
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) BEFORE INVESTMENT GAINS</b>		<b>-69,715</b>	<b>25,769</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-43,946</b>	<b>70,186</b>
<b>NET GAINS/LOSSES ON INVESTMENTS</b>	6b	17,295	2,308	0	19,604	-18,379
<b>CHANGE IN PROPERTY VALUATION</b>	6a	0			0	0
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>		<b>-52,420</b>	<b>28,077</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-24,343</b>	<b>51,807</b>
<b>TRANSFER BETWEEN FUNDS</b>	5	0	0	0	0	0
<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>		<b>-52,420</b>	<b>28,077</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-24,343</b>	<b>51,807</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD</b>		<b>965,452</b>	<b>93,348</b>	<b>2,990</b>	<b>1,061,789</b>	<b>1,009,982</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<b>913,032</b>	<b>121,425</b>	<b>2,990</b>	<b>1,037,447</b>	<b>1,061,789</b>

BALANCE SHEETFOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2023

	Note	2023	2022
<b><u>FIXED ASSETS</u></b>			
Tangible	6a	478,933	479,965
Investments	6b	199,237	179,634
		<u>678,170</u>	<u>659,598</u>
<b><u>CURRENT ASSETS</u></b>			
Stock		0	0
Investments	7a	0	0
Debtors and prepayments	8	17,860	11,851
Short term deposits	7b	302,695	324,525
Cash at bank and in hand	7c	43,781	69,401
		<u>364,336</u>	<u>405,776</u>
<b><u>LIABILITIES</u></b>			
Creditors – amounts falling due within one year	8	5,060	3,586
NET CURRENT ASSETS / (LIABILITIES)		<u>359,276</u>	<u>402,190</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		1,037,446	1,061,789
Creditors – amounts falling due after one year	8	0	0
<b><u>TOTAL NET ASSETS</u></b>		<u>1,037,446</u>	<u>1,061,789</u>
<b><u>PARISH FUNDS</u></b>			
Unrestricted - Excluding Property	9&10	127,566	189,900
Unrestricted - Property	9&10	475,000	475,000
Designated	9&10	310,465	300,552
Restricted	9&10	121,425	93,348
Endowment	9&10	2,990	2,990
		<u>1,037,446</u>	<u>1,061,789</u>

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on ... March 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Name / Position

HUNTREY SUSAN TRUSTEE / CHURCHWARDEN 

Name / Position

ELIZABETH ANDERSON PCC MEMBER 

The notes on pages 3 to 12 form part of these accounts

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2023

**1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of preparation**

The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of FRS102. 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, together with FRS102 as the applicable accounting standards and the 2019 version of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP(FRS102)).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the valuation of investment assets, which are shown at market value, and property which is per the note on "Tangible fixed assets for use by charity" under "Assets" below.

***Statement of compliance with prevailing laws and regulations***

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (effective 1 January 2019) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

**Income and Endowments**

**Recognition of income and endowments**

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the PCC becomes legally entitled to the use of the resources and inflow of economic benefit is probable and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

**Fundraising costs**

Funds raised from events are reported gross in the SOFA – i.e., before any related costs that may have been deducted from the gross proceeds.

**Restricted Collections**

Collections at services for specific causes (e.g. funerals) are not included in the accounts. They are listed under Note 3e.

**Grants and donations**

Grants and donations are included in the SOFA when any pre-conditions preventing their use by the PCC have been met. For collections and planned giving this is when the funds are received.

**Gift Aid Tax claims, etc., on cash donations**

Gift Aid and other tax claims are included in the SOFA in the same year as the donations to which they relate.

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2023**

**1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

**Income and Endowments (continued)**

**Volunteer help**

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the PCC annual report.

**Rental income**

Rental income from the letting of the house and Church Rooms is recognised when the rental is received.

**Investment income**

This is included in the accounts when receivable and projected to the year end.

**Investment gains and losses**

This includes any gain or loss on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.

**Legacies**

Entitlement to legacies is taken as the date on which a distribution is received from the estate.

**Expenditure**

**Liability recognition**

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation and settlement is probable and quantifiable.

**Governance costs**

Include costs of the preparation and examination of statutory accounts.

**Assets**

**Consecrated and benefice property**

In so far as consecrated and benefice property of any kind is excluded from the statutory definition of "charity" by Section 10(2) (a) and (c) of the Charities Act 2011 such assets are not capitalised in the financial statements.

**Moveable church furnishings**

These item are not capitalised, but all items are included in the Church's inventory in any case.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2022**

**1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

**Assets (continued)**

**Tangible fixed assets for use by charity**

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year. They are valued at cost or else, at a reasonable estimate of their open market value.

Depreciation is calculated to write off the capitalised cost of fixed assets less their currently anticipated residual fair value over their estimated useful lives as follows:

- Land Nil
- Buildings\* Nil
- Fixtures, Fittings and Equipment 4 years

\*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 currently exceeds 50 years, so that any depreciation charges would be immaterial.

Properties were valued in early 2022 and included in these accounts. The properties are governed by restriction on the use of any funds realised on their sale.

**Investments**

Investments quoted on a recognised stock exchange or whose value derives from them are valued at market value at the year end.

**Short term deposits**

Include cash held on deposit with various institutions per Note 7.

**Going concern**

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the PCCs believes that no material uncertainties exist. The PCC has considered the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for 12 months from authorising these financial statements. In their view the budgeted income and expenditure is sufficient with the level of reserves for the church to be able to continue as a going concern.

**Funds**

**Unrestricted Funds**

These represent the remaining income funds of the PCC that are available for spending on the general purposes of the PCC.

**Restricted Funds**

These are income funds that must be spent on restricted purposes and details of the funds held and restrictions provided are shown in the notes to the accounts.

**Endowment Funds**

These 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.

**Designated Funds**

These are general funds set aside by the PCC for specific use in the future. They remain unrestricted and the PCC may move any funds to other general funds.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTSFOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2023**2 INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS**

		RPF	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
<b>2a Voluntary income</b>							
Planned Giving	Donations with Gift Aid	1	57,630			57,630	57,247
	Tax recoverable	6	15,031			15,031	13,403
	Other	2	8,593			8,593	5,427
Collections	Open Plate, Appeals	3	6,645			6,645	6,557
Grants	Churchyard Model Agreement	8	0	4,224		4,224	3,110
Donations, appeals etc	CAF, One-off Gift Aid	4	26			26	601
	Sundry Donations	4	857			857	1,824
	Coffee after church	4	750			750	644
	Donations (Restricted)	4		0		0	154
	Donations For Flowers	4		2,200		2,200	2,517
	Children's Activities	4	0			0	672
	Tax recoverable GASDS & GA	6	1,954	0		1,954	2,081
Legacies		7	10,500	20,000		30,500	126,000
			101,986	26,424	0	128,410	220,238
<b>2b Activities for generating funds</b>							
Church Rooms Lettings		12	4,861			4,861	4,337
Magazine Advertisers		12	796			796	1,638
Social Events		9	2,883			2,883	4,758
			8,539	0	0	8,539	10,732
<b>2c Income From Investment</b>							
Bank & CBF Interest, Dividends and Tax Recovery		10	10,018	3,747		13,765	3,245
House Lettings		10	8,400			8,400	8,400
			18,418	3,747	0	22,165	11,645
<b>2d Income From Church Activities</b>							
Magazine Sales		12	1,311			1,311	1,441
Fees		11	7,990			7,990	10,518
Copier Charges		12	0			0	2
Sundry Receipts - Non Recurring		13				0	142
			9,301	0	0	9,301	12,103
<b>Total Income</b>			138,244	30,171	0	168,415	254,718



NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTSFOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2023**3 EXPENDITURE**

			Unrestricted RPF Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
<b>3a Church Activities</b>							
Mission Giving & Donations	Mission, relief and development	18	20,797	0		20,797	13,039
			20,797	0		20,797	13,039
Ministry Expenses	Diocese - Freewill Offering	19	80,000			80,000	74,076
	Vicarage Water *	21	629			629	490
	Vicar's Expenses *	21	719			719	454
	Vicar's Telephone/Broadband *	21	396			396	383
	Salaries - CFY Worker	20	24,979	0		24,979	18,986
	Expenses - CFY Worker	21	161			161	452
	<i>* after contribution from Hackness</i>		106,884	0		106,884	94,841
Church Expenses	Salaries (Administrator, Organist)	20	18,939			18,939	17,671
	Insurance	23	2,072			2,072	1,916
	Heat & Light & Water	24	3,597			3,597	2,014
	Repairs & Renewals	23	2,768	706		3,474	3,010
	Major Repairs	27	0			0	0
	Magazine costs	25	2,477			2,477	2,264
	Upkeep Of Services	23	581			581	810
	Church Flowers	23		2,192		2,192	2,368
	Support Costs - Childrens Activities	23	1,522	0		1,522	1,166
	Support Costs - General	23	7,096	0		7,096	6,133
			39,052	2,898		41,950	37,352
Church Rooms & House Expenses	Wages	20	3,609			3,609	3,198
	Rates & Water	25	518			518	143
	Insurances	25	2,750			2,750	2,487
	Heat & Light	25	4,111			4,111	2,085
	Repairs & Renewals	25	7,779	0		7,779	3,966
	Major Church Rooms Repairs	28	0			0	0
	Incidentals	25	422			422	209
	Depreciation	25	40			40	0
			19,229	0		19,229	12,089
Churchyard Maintenance	Wages & Contract Work	20	11,477			11,477	10,683
	Repairs & Renewals	23	985	1,504		2,489	6,284
	Fuel	23	142			142	180
	Incidentals	23	342			342	686
	Depreciation	23	152			152	202
			13,098	1,504		14,602	18,035
Church Management And Administration	Printing, Postage, Stationery, Adverts	23	3,156			3,156	1,506
	Bank Charges	23	210			210	223
	Telephone	23	419			419	465
	Church Equipment Depreciation	23	1,342			1,342	1,342
			5,127	0		5,127	3,535
<b>Total Church Activities</b>			204,187	4,402	0	208,589	178,891
<b>3b Fund Raising</b>							
	Social Events	17	2,602	0	0	2,602	4,531
			2,602	0	0	2,602	4,531
<b>3c Governance</b>							
	Independent Examiner	23	1,170	0	0	1,170	1,110
<b>Total Expenditure</b>			207,959	4,402	0	212,361	184,532

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2023**

**3 EXPENDITURE (continued)**

**3d Grants Payable**

	2023	2022
SENSES-Toddler Group/Mother's Union	500	70
Bible Society	2,946	1,171
Children in Distress	2,189	1,171
Childrens Society	2,189	1,171
Christian Aid (East Africa Appeal)	0	1,000
Christian Aid - Turkey-Syria Earthquake Appeal	500	0
Christian Aid - Libya Flood Appeal	500	0
Church Army	2,189	1,577
Church Mission Society	2,946	1,577
Sidewalk	2,189	1,171
Stepping Stones	1,960	960
Westway Open Arms	2,189	1,671
Rainbow Centre	500	500
DEC Pakistan Floods Appeal	0	1,000
	<u>20,797</u>	<u>13,039</u>

**3e Other Collections**

Throughout the year St Laurence`s has acted as a collecting agent for funds received for other charities (e.g. at funerals or special services and events) these cover;  
 Feed The Minds - £84; St Catherine`s Hospice - £180;  
 The Children`s Society - £1247; Field Studies Council - £419;  
 Turn2us - £175; Alzheimers Society - £277;  
 Motor Neurone Disease Ass. - £448; Rainbow Centre - £48;  
 Scarborough & District Mencap - £1293  
 FISS-Scarborough Schools Christian Workers - £227; UNICEF UK - £472;  
 Children In Distress - £140; Woodland Trust - £271;  
 Embrace Middle East - £277; JMECA - £277;

**Total £5,835**

**4 STAFF COSTS**

	<b>Correction 2023</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
Gross Pay	<b>Gross Pay - £56,257</b>	0	49,611
Employers National Insurance		2,091	1,662
Pension (Employers Contributions)	<b>Pension - £1,077</b>	0	885
Less			
Employers National Insurance Allowance		2,091	1,662
	<b>Total - £57,335</b>	<u>0</u>	<u>50,496</u>
Average Number Of Employees	<b>Number - 7</b>	6	5

There were no employees who received more than £60,000 during the year.  
 There are no employees as members of the PCC.  
 No remuneration or benefit was paid to any trustee (2022: £Nil).  
 No expenses were reimbursed to any trustee (2022: £Nil).

**5 ANALYSIS OF TRANSFER BETWEEN FUNDS**

Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
0.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTSFOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2023**6 FIXED ASSETS****6a Tangible Assets**

		<u>Church Rooms &amp; House</u>	<u>Office and Church Equipment</u>	<u>C Yard</u>	<u>C Rooms</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b>Cost</b>	At 1 January 2023	475,000	10,286	2,238	5,134	492,658
	Revaluation of Property	-				-
	Additions	-	503	-	0	503
	Disposals		-	-	-	-
	At 31 December 2023	475,000	10,789	2,238	5,134	493,161
<b>Depreciation</b>	At 1 January 2023	0	6,194	1,835	4,664	12,693
	Charge for Year		1,342	152	40	1,535
	On Disposals			-	-	-
	At 31 December 2023	0	7,536	1,988	4,704	14,228
<b>Net Book Value</b>	At 31 December 2023	475,000	3,253	250	430	478,933
	At 31st December 2022	475,000	4,093	402	470	479,965

**6b Investments**

		<u>1 January 2023 Value</u>	<u>Disposals</u>	<u>Purchases</u>	<u>Transfers</u>	<u>Net Gain</u>	<u>31 December 2023 Value</u>
Restricted	Fabric - CBF 643031002S	20,447				1,924	22,370
	Organ - CBF 643031003S	4,089				385	4,474
		24,536	0	0	0	2,308	26,844
Endowment	Fabric - CBF143002466D - Ann Salt	1,397				0	1,397
	Churchyard - CBF143002467D - EM White	1,593				0	1,593
		2,990	0	0	0	0	2,990
Designated	Fabric - CBF 643031001J	59,137				7,431	66,568
	Fabric - CBF 643031002J (2)	44,480				5,589	50,069
	CFY Worker - CBF 643031001S (1)	20,164				1,897	22,061
	CFY Worker - CBF 643031002J (1)	14,657				1,842	16,498
	Ministry Reserve - CBF 643031001S (2)	1,158				109	1,267
	Ministry Reserve - M&G Charifund	1,602				-38	1,564
	Ministry Reserve - CBF 643031004S	6,134				577	6,711
	Ministry Reserve - M&G Charifund	4,776				-112	4,664
		152,108	0	0	0	17,295	169,403
Unrestricted	None	0					0
		0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>179,634</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>19,604</b>	<b>199,237</b>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTSFOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2023**7 CURRENT ASSETS****7a Investments**

	1 January 2023 Value	Disposals	Purchases	Net Gain	31 December 2023 Value
None	0				0
	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>0.00</b>				<b>0.00</b>

**7b Short Term Deposits**

	1 January 2023 Value	31 December 2023 Value
CBF Deposit - CBF2	123	190
CBF Deposit - CBF7	3,546	3,870
CBF Deposit - CBF10	1,309	1,484
CBF Deposit - CBF11	6,564	7,493
CBF Deposit - CBF12	91,654	95,044
Deposit Protection Service	685	685
United Trust Bank (60 Days Notice)	81,663	83,408
Hodge Bank (90 Day Notice)	0	0
Skipton Building Society (30 Day Notice)	73,923	74,995
Monmouthshire B S (30 Day Notice)	65,058	35,525
	<u>324,525</u>	<u>302,695</u>

**7c Cash At Bank**

	1 January 2023 Value	31 December 2023 Value
General Barclays	33,791	24,932
Stewardship Barclays	29,029	12,683
CAF Bank	2,001	1,447
Magazine Account	2,954	2,799
Flower Account	976	984
Cash Floats	650	936
Stripe transaction platform for QR code donations	0	0
	<u>69,401</u>	<u>43,781</u>

**8 DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

	1 January 2023 Value	31 December 2023 Value
Debtors - Unrestricted	11,148	12,010
Debtors - Unrestricted - Estimated Interest	468	3,747
Debtors - Unrestricted - Magazine	922	707
Debtors - Restricted	-783	0
Debtors - Restricted - Estimated Interest	96	1,396
Prepaid Expenses	0	0
<b>Debtors and prepayments</b>	<u><b>11,851</b></u>	<u><b>17,860</b></u>
Creditors - Unrestricted	3,586	5,060
Creditors - Restricted	0	0
Advance Fees for following year	0	0
<b>Creditors – amount falling due within 1 year</b>	<u><b>3,586</b></u>	<u><b>5,060</b></u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTSFOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 20239 SUMMARY OF FUND MOVEMENTS

		1 January 2023 Value	2023 Debtors and Creditors	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Investment Gains	Transfer Between Funds	31 December 2023 Value
<b>Designated</b>	Charitable Link - Designated	24,159		780	960			23,979
	Children Worker - Designated	22,572	-65	543	25,885		27,000	24,166
	CFY Worker - Investments	34,821				3,739	0	38,560
	Fabric - Designated	22,954		763	0		0	23,717
	Fabric - Investments	103,617				13,020	0	116,637
	Ministry Reserve - Designated	51,018		1,302	0		-27,000	25,320
	Ministry Reserve - Investments	13,670				536	0	14,206
	Church Rooms Roof-Designated	27,740		922	0			28,662
	Churchyard - Designated	0		219	0		15,000	15,219
		300,552	-65	4,529	26,845	17,295	15,000	310,465
<b>Unrestricted</b>	General - Unrestricted	181,744	-3,513	133,289	173,129		-15,000	120,812
	General - Investments	0				0	0	0
	<b>Magazine Account</b>	3,876	-215	2,321	2,477		0	3,506
	Deposit Protection Service	-685						-685
	<b>Fixed Assets</b>	4,965			1,032			3,933
	<b>Property</b>	475,000						475,000
		664,900	-3,728	135,610	176,637	0	-15,000	602,566
<b>Restricted</b>	Fabric - Restricted	38,460		1,852	510			39,802
	Fabric - Investments	20,447				1,924		22,370
	Churchyard - Restricted	6,434		4,577	1,504			9,506
	Choir - Restricted	451		15	0			466
	Organ - Restricted	22,492	0	920	196			23,216
	Organ - Investments	4,089				385		4,474
	Childrens Work - Restricted	0		20,607	0			20,607
	Restricted - spare line	0		0	0			0
	<b>Flower Fund</b>	976		2,200	2,192			984
		93,348	0	30,171	4,402	2,308	0	121,425
<b>Endowments</b>	Fabric - Endowment	1,397						1,397
	Churchyard - Endowment	1,593						1,593
		2,990	0	0	0	0	0	2,990
		1,061,789	-3,793	170,310	207,884	19,604	0	1,037,446

10 SUMMARY OF ASSETS BY FUND

559,456

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Designated Funds	Endowments	Total 2023	Total 2022
Property	475,000	0	0	0	475,000	475,000
Tangible fixed assets	3,933				3,933	4,965
Investment fixed assets	0	26,844	169,403	2,990	199,237	179,634
Current assets	123,633	94,581	141,062	0	359,276	402,190
(incl Debtors & Creditors)	602,566	121,425	310,465	2,990	1,037,446	1,061,789

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST LAURENCE'S SCALBY

ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST OF DECEMBER 2023

St Laurence`s Church  
Scalby  
Scarborough

Bankers

Barclays Bank Plc  
St Nicholas Street  
Scarborough

Independent Examiner

Ashby Berry Coulsons  
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PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST LAURENCE'S SCALBY

ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2023

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

I report to the Parochial Church Council on my examination of the accounts of St Laurence's Church Scalby for the year ended 31 December 2023.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

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


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

**Independent examiner's statement**

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

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

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



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Date: 18 April 2024

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Dear Sirs

The following representations are made on the basis of enquiries of management and staff with relevant knowledge and experience such as we consider necessary in connection with your independent examination of the church's financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023. These enquiries have included inspection of supporting documentation where appropriate and are sufficient to satisfy ourselves that we can make each of the following representations. All representations are made to the best of our knowledge and belief.

**General**

- 1 We acknowledge that the work performed by you is substantially less in scope than an audit performed in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) and that you do not express an audit opinion.
- 2 We confirm that the church was entitled to exemption under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 from the requirement to have its financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2023 audited.
- 3 We have fulfilled our responsibilities as trustees as set out in the terms of your engagement letter dated 14 December 2020, under the Charities Act 2011 for preparing financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view and for making accurate representations to you.
- 4 All the transactions undertaken by the church have been properly reflected and recorded in the accounting records.
- 5 All the accounting records have been made available to you for the purpose of your independent examination. We have provided you with unrestricted access to all appropriate persons within the church, and with all other records and related information requested, including minutes of all management and trustee meetings and correspondence with The Charity Commission.
- 6 The financial statements are free of material misstatements, including omissions. There are no uncorrected misstatements.

**Assets and liabilities**

- 7 The church has satisfactory title to all assets and there are no liens or encumbrances on the church's assets, except for those that are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.
- 8 All actual liabilities, contingent liabilities and guarantees given to third parties have been recorded or disclosed as appropriate.
- 9 We have no plans or intentions that may materially alter the carrying value and where relevant the fair value measurements or classification of assets and liabilities reflected in the financial statements.



**Accounting estimates**

- 10 The methods, data and significant assumptions used by us in making accounting estimates, and their related disclosures, are appropriate to achieve recognition, measurement and disclosure that is reasonable in the context of the applicable financial reporting framework.

**Legal claims**

- 11 We are not aware of any claims in connection with litigation that have been, or are expected to be, received

**Laws and regulations**

- 12 We are not aware of any instances of non-compliance or suspected non-compliance with laws and regulations whose effects should be considered when preparing the financial statements.

**Related parties**

- 13 We have disclosed to you all relevant information concerning related party relationships and transactions and are not aware of any other matters which require disclosure in order to comply with legislative and accounting standards requirements.

**Subsequent events**

- 14 All events subsequent to the date of the financial statements which require adjustment or disclosure have been properly accounted for and disclosed.

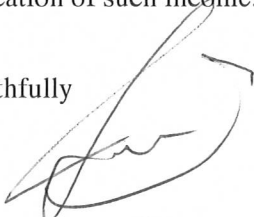
**Going concern**

- 15 We believe that the church's financial statements should be prepared on a going concern basis on the grounds that current and future sources of funding or support will be more than adequate for the church's needs. We have considered a period of twelve months from the date of approval of the financial statements. We believe that no further disclosures relating to the church's ability to continue as a going concern need to be made in the financial statements.

**Grants and donations**

- 16 All grants, donations and other income, the receipt of which is subject to specific terms or conditions, have been notified to you. There have been no breaches of terms or conditions in the application of such income.

Yours faithfully



..... MRS. R. SHARROCK, TREASURER

Signed on behalf of the PCC of St Laurence's Scalby

Date 19 April 2.24.