THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PAULS, THROOP, BOURNEMOUTH

England & Wales · Charity number 1131699

Details

Other names	ST PAULS PCC BOURNEMOUTH
Status	Registered
Legal form	Previously excepted
Registered	2009-09-18
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

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

Activities: Preaching and witnessing to the Gospel of the risen Lord Jesus Christ. Church services on Sunday and midweek. Childrens activities on Sunday, pre-school groups during week, youth groups Friday evening, older adults group with lunch fortnightly, bible study groups, prayer groups, ad hoc social events. Giving to missionary societies and other Christian charity appeals. Coffee mornings, Alpha etc.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

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Geography

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

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£187,221	£188,754	-	-
2024-12-31	£186,300	£165,977	-	-
2023-12-31	£162,830	£163,771	-	-
2022-12-31	£201,796	£212,088	-	-
2021-12-31	£133,196	£167,681	-	-
2020-12-31	£130,190	£189,517	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
REV JAMES FINDLAY	Chair	2017-09-06
Andrew Renton		2025-07-17
CHRISTOPHER MICHAEL DODGSON		2022-04-24
DAVID JOHN WILLIAMS		2025-05-11
Daniel Harry Austin		2026-05-10
Fiona Lynn Thompson		2025-05-11
Janette Marilyn Biggin		2026-05-10
Jennifer Susan Powell		2026-05-10
Katherine Ruth Blake		2023-04-30
Kathlyn Stephanie Page		2025-07-17
Kerry Louise Lawford		2022-04-24
Nicholas James Auger		2026-05-10
Simone Nicola Penfold		2026-05-10
Stephen John Bendell		2023-04-30

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Accounts

ST PAUL'S CHURCH, THROOP

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2025

Administrative Information

St Paul's Church is situated in Landford Way, Throop, Bournemouth. It is part of the Diocese of Winchester within the Church of England. The correspondence address is St Paul's Vicarage, Chesildene Avenue, Bournemouth, BH8 0AZ

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a charity registered with the Charity Commission. Our Charity Number is 1131699.

The PCC complies with the duties under Section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (to have regard to the House of Bishops' guidance on Safeguarding children and vulnerable adults).

The PCC complies with the Law contained in the General Data Protection Regulations and the Data Protection Act 2018.

PCC members who have served from 30th April 2025 until the date this report was approved are:

Incumbent:	Revd James Findlay	
Clergy:	Revd Ben Coulter (ex-officio) Revd Chris Dodgson (ex-officio)	
Wardens:	Stephen Bendell Kathy Blake	
Treasurer:	David Penfold	
PCC Treasury Liaison Officer:	Revd Chris Dodgson	
Deanery Synod Representatives:	Andy Saunders	
PCC Elected Members:	Gill Schiel Fiona Thompson Stuart Calvert	Kerry Lawford David Williams Kath Page
Ex-Officio Members:	Andy Saunders	

Structure, governance and management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

All PCC Members are required to undergo Safeguarding Training to Level C1 and must have a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) Check.

Objectives and Activities

St. Paul's PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It also has the maintenance responsibilities for the church premises of St. Paul's Throop.

The PCC also operates with a number of sub-committees who meet on a regular basis and submit minutes to the PCC for approval. The members of these sub-committees for 2025 are:

PCC Sub-Groups 2025

Standing Committee
Revd Jim Findlay (Priest-in-Charge), Stephen Bendell & Kathy Blake (Church Wardens), Gill Schiel and Chris Dodgson.

Fabric and Maintenance
Stephen Bendell & Gordon Cox

Safeguarding Officer
Pippa Fisher

Data Protection Officer
Chris Dodgson

Church Attendance:
There were 146 Parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll at the end of 2025 of which 53 were resident in the Parish.

Average Sunday morning attendance for 2025 when attended in person was 38 under 16 years of age and 127 over 16 years.

PCC Review of the Year

The PCC met 8 times during 2025 with one further extraordinary PCC meeting held. The PCC was pleased to welcome the following new members in 2025: –

David Williams, Fiona Thompson, Kathlyn Page

St Paul's was pleased to support continued participation of food donations at Harvest for Bournemouth Foodbank.

Aside from the standing items discussed at all PCC meetings which include finance, fabric & maintenance, safeguarding, conflict of interests, GDPR, planned church trips requiring approval and event budgets/risk assessments requiring approval, 2025 meetings included:

The year beginning with our January PCC meeting focusing on a review of the Safeguarding Action Plan, St Paul's policies and risk assessments and of staff salaries. An update was also given with regard to Deanery developments.

On 9th February, an extraordinary PCC meeting was held to discuss and subsequently provide approval of Glenn Prince becoming curate at St Paul's.

At our February PCC meeting, members were updated on developments in relation to the Townsend Estate. Revd Jim advised of the introduction of a new fortnightly core leadership team meeting to improve communication between licensed ministry, employed staff, wardens and PCC members. An update on the review of policies and risk assessments was provided.

On 12th March, the Standing Committee approved purchase of a new electronic piano/keyboard and associated items.

In March, more detailed plans for the Townsend Estate were provided and discussed. PCC members were also advised of the 'Believing in Bournemouth' project and our potential involvement. Some existing policies were reviewed and new ones circulated and all were approved.

At the April PCC meeting, the Statutory and Non Statutory reports covering 2024 were approved. An update was provided on the 'Believing in Bournemouth' project; members were also informed of Festival Dorset. Discussion took place around the amended bid for the Townsend project. Some existing policies were reviewed and new ones circulated and all were approved.

The APCM was held in May.

The June PCC meeting had to be cancelled due to Revd Jim's ill-health. However, electronic votes took place for approval of the election of new PCC members, the appointment of PCC officers, an addition to the electoral roll and the approval of St Paul's involvement with the 'Its Your Move' event at the Epiphany and Muscliffe Schools.

At the July PCC meeting, an update was provided in relation to the introduction of Church Suite, and the 2025-2028 Mission Action Plan was circulated. Discussion took place on the Townsend project and on the possibility of Ed Haycock and family moving into the curates house. Assistant Churchwardens were discussed and approval of the purchase of a second coffee

machine was given. Some existing policies were reviewed and new ones circulated and all were approved.

At the September PCC meeting, a new men's ministry was discussed and approved. The Townsend project was again discussed, as was the Mission Action Plan. Training of an 'Anna Chaplain' was discussed. Some existing policies were reviewed and new ones circulated and all were approved.

On 8th October, the Standing Committee approved Nathan Bendell taking a group of young people on a trip to Laser Quest in half term.

At the October meeting, an update was provided on the planned men's ministry. Amendments to Nathan and Pippa's contract were discussed. A paper was circulated and discussion held in relation to a turnaround regarding the 'Prayers of Love and Faith'. An update was provided on the new work being done on the Townsend Estate. The funding of training of an Anna Chaplain was approved. The Mission Action Plan was discussed. Some existing policies were reviewed and new ones circulated and all were approved.

In November, members were advised of the forming of a working group to look at streamlining funds/spending at St Pauls. A further update was provided in relation to The Townsend Project, and members also discussed the Mission Action Plan again. A discussion took place with regard to the personal accident benefits on our church insurance policy. Some existing policies were reviewed and new ones circulated and all were approved.

Our Deanery Synod Representative reported to the PCC throughout the year on the workings of the Synod.

The Annual Report was drawn up by Mrs Kerry Lawford, PCC Secretary and approved by the PCC of St Paul's Throop on

16/4/2026

and signed on its behalf by Rev James Findlay (PCC Chair)

James Findlay

Financial Review 2025

The total income for the year ending 31 December 2025 across all Funds was £187,221 [2024: £186,300]. Regular Giving and freewill offertory increased by just over £5,400 compared with 2024 (not including Single Donations). Pledges received for the Children & Youth Minister Fund amounted to £9,817 [2024: £9,308]. Grants totalling £2,083 were received from Holdenhurst Parish to fund a Children's and Families Worker as part of the Townsend project. Grants totalling £10,780 were received from Winchester Diocese towards start-up and administrative support costs of the Townsend project and to fund 50% of the Children's and Youth Minister salary.

Resources expended amounted to £188,754 [2024: £165,977]. Necessary electrical inspection costs and subsequent replacement of the Electrical Distribution board (£3,103) and replacing lighting in the Worship Area (£945) was funded from the 404040 fund. Expenses related to repair to movable walls (£2,100) was funded from the building fund.

Net incoming resources for the year generated a total deficit of £1,533 [2024 excess: £20,323].

2026 represents an exciting year, with the Townsend Project, to establish and grow a self-sustaining worshipping community on the Townsend estate, initiated in 2025. This project utilises partnerships between St Pauls church, Winchester Diocese and Holdenhurst Parish to provide financial, pastoral, and administrative support.

It is PCC policy to endeavour to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds which equates to at least three months unrestricted payments, which is equivalent to £38,283. This is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies. The cash balance of £87,722 held on unrestricted (including designated) funds at the year end, together with the amounts payable to and by the PCC, was in excess of this target.

The PCC has sufficient reserves, organised into general funds, designated, and restricted funds, as described in Note 6 to the Accounts. The Trustees have assessed and consider that the PCC can continue its operations and meet its liabilities as they fall due for at least the next twelve months.

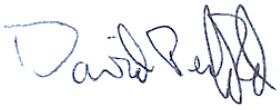
Responsibilities of the members of the PCC in relation to the Accounts

The PCC is responsible for all parish finance, its management and control, including the appointment of a Treasurer. Its legal responsibilities include:

- Keeping proper accounting records, which are sufficient to show and explain all the PCC's transactions and must include a record of all relevant assets and liabilities. The records must:
  - show and explain all the PCC's transactions;
  - disclose the PCC's financial position at any time;
  - enable the required accounts to be prepared;
  - show on a day-to-day basis all receipts and payments and what they were for;
  - include a record of all assets and liabilities.
- Ensuring that the finances of the PCC are under its control and only delegated if the PCC can ensure that its wishes will be followed.
- Preparing annual accounts and a report, which shall be presented to the Annual Parochial Church Meeting in accordance with the requirements of the Church Representation Rules.
- Arranging for an independent examination of the Accounts.

Approved by the PCC and signed on its behalf by:

Rev James Findlay (Chairman)



David Penfold: Treasurer Dated: 16th April 2026

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	St Paul's PCC Bournemouth		
On accounts for the year ended	31 December 2025	**Charity no**	1131699
Set out on pages	A3 to A12		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

Signed:	*J Roper*	**Date:**	*28 March 2026*
Name:	John Roper		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	ACMA, CGMA, MCICM		
Address:	26 Pine Drive, St Ives Ringwood BH24 2LN		

St Paul's PCC Throop
Sofa Separate Designated
For the period from 01 January 2025 to 31 December 2025

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Receipts					
Donations and legacies	118,820	9,258	25,269	153,346	157,012
Income from charitable activities	10,873	-	-	10,873	12,280
Other trading activities	22,205	-	-	22,205	15,976
Investments	196	571	30	797	1,033
Other income	-	-	-	-	-
Total income	**152,093**	**9,829**	**25,299**	**187,221**	**186,300**
Payments					
Raising funds	-	-	-	-	-
Expenditure on charitable activities	142,366	10,766	35,622	188,754	165,977
Other expenditure	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditure	**142,366**	**10,766**	**35,622**	**188,754**	**165,977**
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	**9,727**	**(937)**	**(10,323)**	**(1,533)**	**20,323**
Transfers:					
Gross transfers between funds - in	-	15,000	-	15,000	23,694
Gross transfers between funds - out	(15,000)	-	-	(15,000)	(23,694)
Other recognised gains / losses					
Gains/losses on investment assets	-	-	-	-	-
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	**(5,273)**	**14,063**	**(10,323)**	**(1,533)**	**20,323**
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward	**44,855**	**34,077**	**7,343**	**86,275**	**65,952**
Total funds carried forward	**39,582**	**48,140**	**(2,980)**	**84,742**	**86,275**
Represented by					
Unrestricted					
General Fund	39,582	-	-	39,582	44,855
Designated					
404040	-	6,850	-	6,850	6,028
Building Fund	-	13,152	-	13,152	14,958
Development Fund	-	7,401	-	7,401	7,401
Reserves Fund	-	20,295	-	20,295	5,018
Vicars Discretionary Fund	-	443	-	443	673
Restricted					
Agency collection	-	-	-	-	-
Children And Youth Ministry Fund	-	-	(4,041)	(4,041)	7,343
Townsend	-	-	1,061	1,061	-

- See section 2 for the breakdown of Receipts
- See section 3 for breakdown of Payments
- See section 6b for breakdown of Fund Movements

Balance Sheet

For the year ended 31 December 2025

St Paul's PCC Throop

Balance Sheet detailed

			As at 31/12/2025	As at 31/12/2024
Current assets				
	6501: HSBC Current A/C 41140760 GF		21,537	49,387
	6505: HSBC Dep A/C 81140779 CYF		2,890	1,395
	6506: HSBC Dep A/C 61148222 BF		24,349	19,876
	6507: HSBC Dep A/C 01388169 DEV RES		27,043	11,669
	Z05: Accounts Receivable		11,426	16,526
		Total Current assets	**87,245**	**98,852**
Liabilities				
	6699: Agency collections		407	350
	Z04: Accounts Payable		2,096	12,227
		Total Liabilities	**2,503**	**12,577**
		Net Asset surplus (deficit)	**84,742**	**86,275**
Reserves				
	Excess/(deficit) to date		(1,533)	20,323
	Z01: Starting balances		86,275	65,952
		Total Reserves	**84,742**	**86,275**

Represented by Funds

General (Unrestricted)	39,582	44,855
Designated	48,140	34,077
Restricted	(2,980)	7,343
Total	**84,742**	**86,275**

Approved for issue by the Parochial Church Council and signed on its behalf by:

Rev James Findlay (Chairman)

David Penfold (Treasurer)

16th April 2026 ----------

Dated

Charity Commission Registration no: 1131699

Notes to the accounts

31 December 2025

1. Accounting policies

Basis of financial statements

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

The Accounts have been prepared on the Accruals Basis.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are income funds that are to be spent on the PCC's general purposes.

Designated funds are general funds set aside by the PCC for use in the future. Project funds are designated for particular projects for administration purposes only. Designated funds remain unrestricted and the PCC may move any surplus to other general funds.

Restricted funds comprise revenue donations or grants for a specific PCC activity intended by the donor.

Where these funds have unspent balances, interest on their pooled investment is apportioned to the individual funds on an average balance basis.

Incoming resources

Planned giving, collections and similar donations are generally recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is entitled to the use of the resources, their ultimate receipt is considered reasonably certain, and the amounts due are readily quantifiable. Interest is accounted for as and when received. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

Resources expended

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. The Diocesan Common Mission Fund expected to be paid over is accounted for when due. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Fixed assets

Movable church furnishings held by the vicar and churchwardens on trust for the PCC are listed in the church's inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time).

New fixtures, fittings, and equipment used within the church premises with a purchase cost of £10,000 or more are depreciated on a straight-line basis over each asset's estimated useful life. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of less than £10,000 are written off when the asset is acquired.

Expenditure on replacements and renewals, which do not constitute a new class of asset, is written off in the year of expense.

Notes to the accounts

31 December 2025

2. Incoming resources

St Paul's PCC Throop

Analysis of Receipts and Payments
Selected period: 01 January 2025 to 31 December 2025

	General	Designated	Restricted	This year	Total Last year
Receipts					
Donations and legacies					
0101 - Regular giving: bank	12,792	-	-	12,792	15,498
0102 - Regular giving: PGS	68,676	-	-	68,676	61,838
0301 - Open Plate inc Pink GA Envs	6,847	-	-	6,847	5,536
[a] 0401 - Gift Days	-	7,720	-	7,720	20,221
0420 - CYF Ministry Donations	-	-	9,817	9,817	9,308
0501 - Single Donations	8,068	-	148	8,216	10,914
[b] 0505 - Special Appeals	656	-	-	656	-
0601 - Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	21,239	1,538	2,440	25,217	23,696
[c] 0701 - Legacies	541	-	-	541	-
0801 - Grants: external	-	-	12,863	12,863	10,000
Donations and legacies Totals	**118,820**	**9,258**	**25,269**	**153,346**	**157,012**
Income from charitable activities					
1101 - Parochial Fees	511	-	-	511	436
1260 - Cafe receipts	4,403	-	-	4,403	3,900
1270 - Little Lambs Income	1,502	-	-	1,502	1,820
1285 - Special Events Receipts	130	-	-	130	1,289
1295 - Miscellaneous Income	4,326	-	-	4,326	4,835
Income from charitable activities Totals	**10,873**	-	-	**10,873**	**12,280**
Other trading activities					
1240 - Rent & services: Barbara Rose	10,353	-	-	10,353	9,213
1245 - Rent: other	11,852	-	-	11,852	6,763
Other trading activities Totals	**22,205**	-	-	**22,205**	**15,976**
Investments					
1020 - Bank interest	196	571	30	797	1,033
Investments Totals	**196**	**571**	**30**	**797**	**1,033**
Receipts Grand Totals	152,093	9,829	25,299	187,221	186,300

[a] Donations totalling £7,720 to the 404040 fund were received in 2025, concluding the fund raising activities for this fund

[b] Donations totalling £656 were received to fund the Family Bible events held in 2025 and continuing in 2026

[c] Grants totalling £2,083 were received from Holdenhurst Parish to fund a Children's and Families Worker as part of the Townsend project. Grants totalling £10,780 were received from Winchester Diocese towards start-up and administrative support costs of the Townsend project and to fund 1/3 of the Children's and Youth Minister salary.

Notes to the accounts

31 December 2025

3. Resources expended

St Paul's PCC Throop

Analysis of Receipts and Payments
Selected period: 01 January 2025 to 31 December 2025

	General	Designated	Restricted	This year	Total Last year
Payments					
Expenditure on charitable activities					
[a] 1801 - Mission Tithe 10%	9,123	-	-	9,123	6,724
1835 - Vicar's Discretionary Fund Expenses	-	230	-	230	-
1910 - Common Mission Fund: WDBF	58,344	-	-	58,344	42,652
[b] 2001 - Church salaries	34,538	-	31,950	66,488	58,795
2050 - Thank you gifts & honoraria	716	-	-	716	243
[c] 2101 - Incumbent's expenses	1,065	-	-	1,065	428
2160 - Ministry Team & Pastoral Team Expenses	363	-	2,415	2,778	856
2201 - Parish Training, courses, ref books	-	-	209	209	-
2204 - Children & Youth Work Expenses	1,740	-	87	1,827	1,173
2205 - Little Lambs Expenses	718	-	-	718	583
2210 - Special Events Expenses	805	-	-	805	2,238
2250 - Home Mission & Evangelism	644	-	-	644	30
2310 - Telephone & Broadband	1,589	-	-	1,589	3,447
2311 - Admin inc stnry/pstge/pcopier	1,535	-	-	1,535	967
2315 - IT costs & equipment	172	-	-	172	171
2320 - Subscriptions & Licences	2,560	-	-	2,560	2,083
2325 - Insurance	1,851	-	-	1,851	1,809
2329 - Equipment Purchases & Furnishings	1,794	4,387	961	7,142	5,073
[d] 2330 - Fabric & Maintenance	3,980	6,148	-	10,129	10,105
2331 - Cleaning	265	-	-	265	57
2332 - Church Garden	1,431	-	-	1,431	90
2333 - Miscellaneous Expenses	392	-	-	392	924
2335 - Housekeeping Purchases	3,722	-	-	3,722	3,909
2366 - Bank & card charges	196	-	-	196	224
2367 - Professional Fees: payroll and accounts	2,956	-	-	2,956	1,800
2370 - Visting Speakers/Locums	350	-	-	350	20
2375 - Sunday & other Service Expenses	600	-	-	600	483
2405 - Electricity	6,121	-	-	6,121	5,918
2410 - Gas	4,253	-	-	4,253	5,249
2420 - Water	544	-	-	544	692
2425 - Commercial Waste charges	-	-	-	-	1,152
2710 - Church Major Repairs: Installation	-	-	-	-	8,082
Expenditure on charitable activities Totals	**142,366**	**10,766**	**35,622**	**188,754**	**165,977**
Payments Grand Totals	142,366	10,766	35,622	188,754	165,977

[a] 10% Mission Tithe totalling £9,123 was disbursed to our Mission Partners PACE Trust (£5,244), Mission Aviation Fellowship (£3,879)

[b] PCC members received no remuneration during the year [2024 - £nil].

The salary costs of the Children & Youth Minister are paid from the Children & Youth Ministry Fund and the Townsend Fund; the salary costs of the Church Administrator are paid for from the General Fund and the Townsend Fund; salary costs of the Verger and Music Director are paid from the General Fund.

[c] Incumbent's expenses are not related to his office as Chairman of the PCC.

No other members of the PCC were reimbursed for expenses specifically relating to the PCC. Expenses incurred by PCC members unrelated to their services as such are not disclosable.

[d] Expenses for electrical inspection and subsequent replacement of the Electrical Distribution board (£3,103) and replacing lighting in the Worship Area (£945) funded from the 404040 fund. Expenses to repair to movable wall (£2,100) funded from the building fund. Other general expenses totalling £3,9800 funded from the General fund.

Notes to the accounts

31 December 2025

4. Debtors & Prepayments

	2025	2024
General Fund		
HMRC Gift Aid & GASDS recoverable	2,095	5,761
Other Debtor & Prepayments	3,104	1,144
	5,199	**6,906**
404040		
HMRC Gift Aid & GASDS recoverable	-	3,140
	-	**3,140**
Children And Youth Ministry Fund		
HMRC Gift Aid & GASDS recoverable	400	3,172
Other Debtor & Prepayments	-	2,400
	400	**5,571**
Development Fund		
HMRC Gift Aid & GASDS recoverable	-	750
	-	**750**
Townsend Fund		
Winchester Diocese	5,700	-
	5,700	**-**
Agency Collections		
Third Party Agency Collections	127	158
	127	**158**
Total	**11,426**	**16,526**

Notes to the accounts

31 December 2025

5. Creditors & Accruals: amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
General Fund		
Winchester Diocese - Common Mission Fund	-	10,000
Other Creditors & Accruals	1,933	2,227
	1,933	**12,227**
Children And Youth Ministry Fund		
Third Party Agency Collections	62	-
	62	**-**
Townsend Fund		
Third Party Agency Collections	101	-
	101	**-**
Agency Collections		
Third Party Agency Collections	407	350
	407	**350**
Total	**2,503**	**12,577**

6. Funds

a) Fund descriptions

Funds which are held by the PCC for general purposes (and which have not been restricted by the donors) are unrestricted.

The PCC has set aside certain funds (designated funds) for particular projects. These funds may be redesignated by the PCC as necessary.

The PCC's restricted funds comprise donations held for purposes specified by the donors.

Where these funds have unspent balances, interest on their investment is apportioned to the individual funds.

Unrestricted Fund:

The General Fund is not subject to any restrictions regarding its use and is available for application on the general purposes of the PCC

Designated Funds:

The Building Fund is held to meet major expenses on the fabric of the church buildings and grounds.

The Development Fund is assigned for all current development projects of the PCC related to mission development and outreach.

The Reserves Fund is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash-flow and to meet any emergency expenditure.

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6.a) Fund descriptions: continued

The Vicar's Discretionary Fund is assigned for the discretionary use of the Priest in Charge for the alleviation of pastoral need.

The 404040 Fund was established in 2024 and exists to fund the modernisation of the church building and facilities. This fund comprises donations given as part of the 40th anniversary of the opening of the church, together with associated Gift Aid repayments where appropriate.

Restricted Fund:

The Children & Youth Ministry Fund was established in 2019 and exists to support the salary of a full-time Children & Youth Minister. This fund comprises donations received from within the church family of St Paul's Throop, together with associated Gift Aid repayments where appropriate, and a Grant from the Joseph Rank Trust.

The Townsend Fund was established in 2025 and exists to establish and grow a self-sustaining worshipping community on the Townsend estate. This fund comprises grants received from Winchester Diocese and Holdenhurst Parish, donations received specifically for the Townsend project, together with associated Gift Aid repayments where appropriate, and income generated from events run by this project.

6.b) Fund details

St Paul's PCC Throop
Fund movement summary
Selected period: 01 January 2025 to 31 December 2025

Fund	Fund balances brought forward	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	Gains and Losses	Journal Entries	Fund balances Carried forward
404040 - 404040	6,028	9,258	8,436	-	-	-	6,850
Building - Building Fund	14,958	294	2,100	-	-	-	13,152
ChildYouth - Children And Youth Ministry Fund	7,343	12,288	23,672	-	-	-	(4,041)
Development - Development Fund	7,401	-	-	-	-	-	7,401
General - General Fund	44,855	152,093	142,366	(15,000)	-	-	39,582
Reserves - Reserves Fund	5,018	277	-	15,000	-	-	20,295
Townsend - Townsend	-	13,011	11,950	-	-	-	1,061
Vicar - Vicars Discretionary Fund	673	-	230	-	-	-	443
Totals	**86,275**	**187,221**	**188,754**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**84,742**

The shortfall of £4,041 in the 'Children And Youth Ministry' fund is due to be recouped in 2026 as outgoings from this fund will be lower than in 2025. Specifically, 50% of the Children's and Youth Minister salary will be covered by grants from Winchester Diocese as part of the Townsend project.

6.c) Transfer between funds - notes

£15,000 in surplus funds was moved from the General Fund to the Reserve Fund

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31 December 2025

7. Assets & Liabilities by Fund

St Paul's PCC Throop

Statement of Assets and Liabilities (by fund)
As at: 31 December 2025

		Balance	Previous balance
Current Asset			
6501: HSBC Current A/C 41140760 GF			
404040	Designated	-1,486	-1,357
Building Fund	Designated	-2,100	-
Children And Youth Ministry Fund	Restricted	-7,258	375
Development Fund	Designated	750	-
General Fund	Unrestricted	36,119	50,176
Townsend	Restricted	-4,538	-
Vicars Discretionary Fund	Designated	-230	-
Agency collection	Restricted	280	192
		21,537	**49,387**
6505: HSBC Dep A/C 81140779 CYF			
Children And Youth Ministry Fund	Restricted	2,879	1,395
General Fund	Unrestricted	10	-
		2,890	**1,395**
6506: HSBC Dep A/C 61148222 BF			
404040	Designated	8,336	4,245
Building Fund	Designated	15,252	14,958
General Fund	Unrestricted	88	-
Vicars Discretionary Fund	Designated	673	673
		24,349	**19,876**
6507: HSBC Dep A/C 01388169 DEV RES			
Development Fund	Designated	6,651	6,651
General Fund	Unrestricted	97	-
Reserves Fund	Designated	20,295	5,018
		27,043	**11,669**
Z05: Accounts Receivable			
404040	Designated	-	3,140
Children And Youth Ministry Fund	Restricted	400	5,572
Development Fund	Designated	-	750
General Fund	Unrestricted	5,199	6,906
Townsend	Restricted	5,700	-
Agency collection	Restricted	127	158
		11,426	**16,526**
	Current Asset	**87,245**	**98,852**
Liability			
6699: Agency collections			
Agency collection	Restricted	407	350
		407	**350**
Z04: Accounts Payable			
Children And Youth Ministry Fund	Restricted	62	-
General Fund	Unrestricted	1,933	12,227
Townsend	Restricted	101	-
		2,096	**12,227**
	Liability	**2,503**	**12,577**
	Grand Total	**84,742**	**86,275**

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8. Related Party Transactions

Apart from the reimbursement of expenses, as disclosed in Note 3, and funds received as Agent as shown in Note 9, there were no related party transactions during the year.

9. Funds received as Agent

From time to time the PCC may act as Agent to facilitate collections for third parties. As the PCC does not hold legal title to these collections, such funds are not required to be shown in the Statement of Financial Activities or on the Balance Sheet. During 2025 the following collections/fees on behalf of third parties were banked and duly paid on:

Description	Related Party?	Amount received £	Amount paid out £	Balance held at Year End £
Winchester Diocesan Board of Finance: Parochial Fees [payable quarterly in arrear]	Yes	127.00	0.00	127.00 [Paid to WDBF on 17 January 2026]
MacMillan Caring Locally (donations at funeral of Jean Moore)	No	140.00	0.00	140.00
Pramacare (donations at funeral of Jean Moore)	No	140.00	0.00	140 [paid to Pramacare on 19th January 2026)

Financial Review 2025

The total income for the year ending 31 December 2025 across all Funds was £187,221 [2024: £186,300]. Regular Giving and freewill offertory increased by just over £5,400 compared with 2024 (not including Single Donations). Pledges received for the Children & Youth Minister Fund amounted to £9,817 [2024: £9,308]. Grants totalling £2,083 were received from Holdenhurst Parish to fund a Children's and Families Worker as part of the Townsend project. Grants totalling £10,780 were received from Winchester Diocese towards start-up and administrative support costs of the Townsend project and to fund 50% of the Children's and Youth Minister salary.

Resources expended amounted to £188,754 [2024: £165,977]. Necessary electrical inspection costs and subsequent replacement of the Electrical Distribution board (£3,103) and replacing lighting in the Worship Area (£945) was funded from the 404040 fund. Expenses related to repair to movable walls (£2,100) was funded from the building fund.

Net incoming resources for the year generated a total deficit of £1,533 [2024 excess: £20,323].

2026 represents an exciting year, with the Townsend Project, to establish and grow a self-sustaining worshipping community on the Townsend estate, initiated in 2025. This project utilises partnerships between St Pauls church, Winchester Diocese and Holdenhurst Parish to provide financial, pastoral, and administrative support.

It is PCC policy to endeavour to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds which equates to at least three months unrestricted payments, which is equivalent to £38,283. This is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies. The cash balance of £87,722 held on unrestricted (including designated) funds at the year end, together with the amounts payable to and by the PCC, was in excess of this target.

The PCC has sufficient reserves, organised into general funds, designated, and restricted funds, as described in Note 6 to the Accounts. The Trustees have assessed and consider that the PCC can continue its operations and meet its liabilities as they fall due for at least the next twelve months.

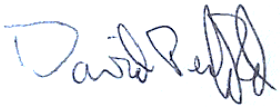
Responsibilities of the members of the PCC in relation to the Accounts

The PCC is responsible for all parish finance, its management and control, including the appointment of a Treasurer. Its legal responsibilities include:

- Keeping proper accounting records, which are sufficient to show and explain all the PCC's transactions and must include a record of all relevant assets and liabilities. The records must:
  - show and explain all the PCC's transactions;
  - disclose the PCC's financial position at any time;
  - enable the required accounts to be prepared;
  - show on a day-to-day basis all receipts and payments and what they were for;
  - include a record of all assets and liabilities.
- Ensuring that the finances of the PCC are under its control and only delegated if the PCC can ensure that its wishes will be followed.
- Preparing annual accounts and a report, which shall be presented to the Annual Parochial Church Meeting in accordance with the requirements of the Church Representation Rules.
- Arranging for an independent examination of the Accounts.

Approved by the PCC and signed on its behalf by:

Rev James Findlay (Chairman)



David Penfold: Treasurer Dated: 16th April 2026

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	St Paul's PCC Bournemouth		
On accounts for the year ended	31 December 2025	**Charity no**	1131699
Set out on pages	A3 to A12		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

Signed:	*J Roper*	**Date:**	*28 March 2026*
Name:	John Roper		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	ACMA, CGMA, MCICM		
Address:	26 Pine Drive, St Ives Ringwood BH24 2LN		

St Paul's PCC Throop
Sofa Separate Designated
For the period from 01 January 2025 to 31 December 2025

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Receipts					
Donations and legacies	118,820	9,258	25,269	153,346	157,012
Income from charitable activities	10,873	-	-	10,873	12,280
Other trading activities	22,205	-	-	22,205	15,976
Investments	196	571	30	797	1,033
Other income	-	-	-	-	-
Total income	**152,093**	**9,829**	**25,299**	**187,221**	**186,300**
Payments					
Raising funds	-	-	-	-	-
Expenditure on charitable activities	142,366	10,766	35,622	188,754	165,977
Other expenditure	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditure	**142,366**	**10,766**	**35,622**	**188,754**	**165,977**
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	**9,727**	**(937)**	**(10,323)**	**(1,533)**	**20,323**
Transfers:					
Gross transfers between funds - in	-	15,000	-	15,000	23,694
Gross transfers between funds - out	(15,000)	-	-	(15,000)	(23,694)
Other recognised gains / losses					
Gains/losses on investment assets	-	-	-	-	-
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	**(5,273)**	**14,063**	**(10,323)**	**(1,533)**	**20,323**
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward	**44,855**	**34,077**	**7,343**	**86,275**	**65,952**
Total funds carried forward	**39,582**	**48,140**	**(2,980)**	**84,742**	**86,275**
Represented by					
Unrestricted					
General Fund	39,582	-	-	39,582	44,855
Designated					
404040	-	6,850	-	6,850	6,028
Building Fund	-	13,152	-	13,152	14,958
Development Fund	-	7,401	-	7,401	7,401
Reserves Fund	-	20,295	-	20,295	5,018
Vicars Discretionary Fund	-	443	-	443	673
Restricted					
Agency collection	-	-	-	-	-
Children And Youth Ministry Fund	-	-	(4,041)	(4,041)	7,343
Townsend	-	-	1,061	1,061	-

- See section 2 for the breakdown of Receipts
- See section 3 for breakdown of Payments
- See section 6b for breakdown of Fund Movements

Balance Sheet

For the year ended 31 December 2025

St Paul's PCC Throop

Balance Sheet detailed

			As at 31/12/2025	As at 31/12/2024
Current assets				
	6501: HSBC Current A/C 41140760 GF		21,537	49,387
	6505: HSBC Dep A/C 81140779 CYF		2,890	1,395
	6506: HSBC Dep A/C 61148222 BF		24,349	19,876
	6507: HSBC Dep A/C 01388169 DEV RES		27,043	11,669
	Z05: Accounts Receivable		11,426	16,526
		Total Current assets	**87,245**	**98,852**
Liabilities				
	6699: Agency collections		407	350
	Z04: Accounts Payable		2,096	12,227
		Total Liabilities	**2,503**	**12,577**
		Net Asset surplus (deficit)	**84,742**	**86,275**
Reserves				
	Excess/(deficit) to date		(1,533)	20,323
	Z01: Starting balances		86,275	65,952
		Total Reserves	**84,742**	**86,275**

Represented by Funds

General (Unrestricted)	39,582	44,855
Designated	48,140	34,077
Restricted	(2,980)	7,343
Total	**84,742**	**86,275**

Approved for issue by the Parochial Church Council and signed on its behalf by:

Rev James Findlay (Chairman)

David Penfold (Treasurer)

16th April 2026 ----------

Dated

Charity Commission Registration no: 1131699

Notes to the accounts

31 December 2025

1. Accounting policies

Basis of financial statements

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

The Accounts have been prepared on the Accruals Basis.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are income funds that are to be spent on the PCC's general purposes.

Designated funds are general funds set aside by the PCC for use in the future. Project funds are designated for particular projects for administration purposes only. Designated funds remain unrestricted and the PCC may move any surplus to other general funds.

Restricted funds comprise revenue donations or grants for a specific PCC activity intended by the donor.

Where these funds have unspent balances, interest on their pooled investment is apportioned to the individual funds on an average balance basis.

Incoming resources

Planned giving, collections and similar donations are generally recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is entitled to the use of the resources, their ultimate receipt is considered reasonably certain, and the amounts due are readily quantifiable. Interest is accounted for as and when received. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

Resources expended

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. The Diocesan Common Mission Fund expected to be paid over is accounted for when due. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Fixed assets

Movable church furnishings held by the vicar and churchwardens on trust for the PCC are listed in the church's inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time).

New fixtures, fittings, and equipment used within the church premises with a purchase cost of £10,000 or more are depreciated on a straight-line basis over each asset's estimated useful life. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of less than £10,000 are written off when the asset is acquired.

Expenditure on replacements and renewals, which do not constitute a new class of asset, is written off in the year of expense.

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2. Incoming resources

St Paul's PCC Throop

Analysis of Receipts and Payments
Selected period: 01 January 2025 to 31 December 2025

	General	Designated	Restricted	This year	Total Last year
Receipts					
Donations and legacies					
0101 - Regular giving: bank	12,792	-	-	12,792	15,498
0102 - Regular giving: PGS	68,676	-	-	68,676	61,838
0301 - Open Plate inc Pink GA Envs	6,847	-	-	6,847	5,536
[a] 0401 - Gift Days	-	7,720	-	7,720	20,221
0420 - CYF Ministry Donations	-	-	9,817	9,817	9,308
0501 - Single Donations	8,068	-	148	8,216	10,914
[b] 0505 - Special Appeals	656	-	-	656	-
0601 - Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	21,239	1,538	2,440	25,217	23,696
[c] 0701 - Legacies	541	-	-	541	-
0801 - Grants: external	-	-	12,863	12,863	10,000
Donations and legacies Totals	**118,820**	**9,258**	**25,269**	**153,346**	**157,012**
Income from charitable activities					
1101 - Parochial Fees	511	-	-	511	436
1260 - Cafe receipts	4,403	-	-	4,403	3,900
1270 - Little Lambs Income	1,502	-	-	1,502	1,820
1285 - Special Events Receipts	130	-	-	130	1,289
1295 - Miscellaneous Income	4,326	-	-	4,326	4,835
Income from charitable activities Totals	**10,873**	-	-	**10,873**	**12,280**
Other trading activities					
1240 - Rent & services: Barbara Rose	10,353	-	-	10,353	9,213
1245 - Rent: other	11,852	-	-	11,852	6,763
Other trading activities Totals	**22,205**	-	-	**22,205**	**15,976**
Investments					
1020 - Bank interest	196	571	30	797	1,033
Investments Totals	**196**	**571**	**30**	**797**	**1,033**
Receipts Grand Totals	152,093	9,829	25,299	187,221	186,300

[a] Donations totalling £7,720 to the 404040 fund were received in 2025, concluding the fund raising activities for this fund

[b] Donations totalling £656 were received to fund the Family Bible events held in 2025 and continuing in 2026

[c] Grants totalling £2,083 were received from Holdenhurst Parish to fund a Children's and Families Worker as part of the Townsend project. Grants totalling £10,780 were received from Winchester Diocese towards start-up and administrative support costs of the Townsend project and to fund 1/3 of the Children's and Youth Minister salary.

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3. Resources expended

St Paul's PCC Throop

Analysis of Receipts and Payments
Selected period: 01 January 2025 to 31 December 2025

	General	Designated	Restricted	This year	Total Last year
Payments					
Expenditure on charitable activities					
[a] 1801 - Mission Tithe 10%	9,123	-	-	9,123	6,724
1835 - Vicar's Discretionary Fund Expenses	-	230	-	230	-
1910 - Common Mission Fund: WDBF	58,344	-	-	58,344	42,652
[b] 2001 - Church salaries	34,538	-	31,950	66,488	58,795
2050 - Thank you gifts & honoraria	716	-	-	716	243
[c] 2101 - Incumbent's expenses	1,065	-	-	1,065	428
2160 - Ministry Team & Pastoral Team Expenses	363	-	2,415	2,778	856
2201 - Parish Training, courses, ref books	-	-	209	209	-
2204 - Children & Youth Work Expenses	1,740	-	87	1,827	1,173
2205 - Little Lambs Expenses	718	-	-	718	583
2210 - Special Events Expenses	805	-	-	805	2,238
2250 - Home Mission & Evangelism	644	-	-	644	30
2310 - Telephone & Broadband	1,589	-	-	1,589	3,447
2311 - Admin inc stnry/pstge/pcopier	1,535	-	-	1,535	967
2315 - IT costs & equipment	172	-	-	172	171
2320 - Subscriptions & Licences	2,560	-	-	2,560	2,083
2325 - Insurance	1,851	-	-	1,851	1,809
2329 - Equipment Purchases & Furnishings	1,794	4,387	961	7,142	5,073
[d] 2330 - Fabric & Maintenance	3,980	6,148	-	10,129	10,105
2331 - Cleaning	265	-	-	265	57
2332 - Church Garden	1,431	-	-	1,431	90
2333 - Miscellaneous Expenses	392	-	-	392	924
2335 - Housekeeping Purchases	3,722	-	-	3,722	3,909
2366 - Bank & card charges	196	-	-	196	224
2367 - Professional Fees: payroll and accounts	2,956	-	-	2,956	1,800
2370 - Visting Speakers/Locums	350	-	-	350	20
2375 - Sunday & other Service Expenses	600	-	-	600	483
2405 - Electricity	6,121	-	-	6,121	5,918
2410 - Gas	4,253	-	-	4,253	5,249
2420 - Water	544	-	-	544	692
2425 - Commercial Waste charges	-	-	-	-	1,152
2710 - Church Major Repairs: Installation	-	-	-	-	8,082
Expenditure on charitable activities Totals	**142,366**	**10,766**	**35,622**	**188,754**	**165,977**
Payments Grand Totals	142,366	10,766	35,622	188,754	165,977

[a] 10% Mission Tithe totalling £9,123 was disbursed to our Mission Partners PACE Trust (£5,244), Mission Aviation Fellowship (£3,879)

[b] PCC members received no remuneration during the year [2024 - £nil].

The salary costs of the Children & Youth Minister are paid from the Children & Youth Ministry Fund and the Townsend Fund; the salary costs of the Church Administrator are paid for from the General Fund and the Townsend Fund; salary costs of the Verger and Music Director are paid from the General Fund.

[c] Incumbent's expenses are not related to his office as Chairman of the PCC.

No other members of the PCC were reimbursed for expenses specifically relating to the PCC. Expenses incurred by PCC members unrelated to their services as such are not disclosable.

[d] Expenses for electrical inspection and subsequent replacement of the Electrical Distribution board (£3,103) and replacing lighting in the Worship Area (£945) funded from the 404040 fund. Expenses to repair to movable wall (£2,100) funded from the building fund. Other general expenses totalling £3,9800 funded from the General fund.

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4. Debtors & Prepayments

	2025	2024
General Fund		
HMRC Gift Aid & GASDS recoverable	2,095	5,761
Other Debtor & Prepayments	3,104	1,144
	5,199	**6,906**
404040		
HMRC Gift Aid & GASDS recoverable	-	3,140
	-	**3,140**
Children And Youth Ministry Fund		
HMRC Gift Aid & GASDS recoverable	400	3,172
Other Debtor & Prepayments	-	2,400
	400	**5,571**
Development Fund		
HMRC Gift Aid & GASDS recoverable	-	750
	-	**750**
Townsend Fund		
Winchester Diocese	5,700	-
	5,700	**-**
Agency Collections		
Third Party Agency Collections	127	158
	127	**158**
Total	**11,426**	**16,526**

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31 December 2025

5. Creditors & Accruals: amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
General Fund		
Winchester Diocese - Common Mission Fund	-	10,000
Other Creditors & Accruals	1,933	2,227
	1,933	**12,227**
Children And Youth Ministry Fund		
Third Party Agency Collections	62	-
	62	**-**
Townsend Fund		
Third Party Agency Collections	101	-
	101	**-**
Agency Collections		
Third Party Agency Collections	407	350
	407	**350**
Total	**2,503**	**12,577**

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Restricted Fund:

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404040 - 404040	6,028	9,258	8,436	-	-	-	6,850
Building - Building Fund	14,958	294	2,100	-	-	-	13,152
ChildYouth - Children And Youth Ministry Fund	7,343	12,288	23,672	-	-	-	(4,041)
Development - Development Fund	7,401	-	-	-	-	-	7,401
General - General Fund	44,855	152,093	142,366	(15,000)	-	-	39,582
Reserves - Reserves Fund	5,018	277	-	15,000	-	-	20,295
Townsend - Townsend	-	13,011	11,950	-	-	-	1,061
Vicar - Vicars Discretionary Fund	673	-	230	-	-	-	443
Totals	**86,275**	**187,221**	**188,754**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**84,742**

The shortfall of £4,041 in the 'Children And Youth Ministry' fund is due to be recouped in 2026 as outgoings from this fund will be lower than in 2025. Specifically, 50% of the Children's and Youth Minister salary will be covered by grants from Winchester Diocese as part of the Townsend project.

6.c) Transfer between funds - notes

£15,000 in surplus funds was moved from the General Fund to the Reserve Fund

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7. Assets & Liabilities by Fund

St Paul's PCC Throop

Statement of Assets and Liabilities (by fund)
As at: 31 December 2025

		Balance	Previous balance
Current Asset			
6501: HSBC Current A/C 41140760 GF			
404040	Designated	-1,486	-1,357
Building Fund	Designated	-2,100	-
Children And Youth Ministry Fund	Restricted	-7,258	375
Development Fund	Designated	750	-
General Fund	Unrestricted	36,119	50,176
Townsend	Restricted	-4,538	-
Vicars Discretionary Fund	Designated	-230	-
Agency collection	Restricted	280	192
		21,537	**49,387**
6505: HSBC Dep A/C 81140779 CYF			
Children And Youth Ministry Fund	Restricted	2,879	1,395
General Fund	Unrestricted	10	-
		2,890	**1,395**
6506: HSBC Dep A/C 61148222 BF			
404040	Designated	8,336	4,245
Building Fund	Designated	15,252	14,958
General Fund	Unrestricted	88	-
Vicars Discretionary Fund	Designated	673	673
		24,349	**19,876**
6507: HSBC Dep A/C 01388169 DEV RES			
Development Fund	Designated	6,651	6,651
General Fund	Unrestricted	97	-
Reserves Fund	Designated	20,295	5,018
		27,043	**11,669**
Z05: Accounts Receivable			
404040	Designated	-	3,140
Children And Youth Ministry Fund	Restricted	400	5,572
Development Fund	Designated	-	750
General Fund	Unrestricted	5,199	6,906
Townsend	Restricted	5,700	-
Agency collection	Restricted	127	158
		11,426	**16,526**
	Current Asset	**87,245**	**98,852**
Liability			
6699: Agency collections			
Agency collection	Restricted	407	350
		407	**350**
Z04: Accounts Payable			
Children And Youth Ministry Fund	Restricted	62	-
General Fund	Unrestricted	1,933	12,227
Townsend	Restricted	101	-
		2,096	**12,227**
	Liability	**2,503**	**12,577**
	Grand Total	**84,742**	**86,275**

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8. Related Party Transactions

Apart from the reimbursement of expenses, as disclosed in Note 3, and funds received as Agent as shown in Note 9, there were no related party transactions during the year.

9. Funds received as Agent

From time to time the PCC may act as Agent to facilitate collections for third parties. As the PCC does not hold legal title to these collections, such funds are not required to be shown in the Statement of Financial Activities or on the Balance Sheet. During 2025 the following collections/fees on behalf of third parties were banked and duly paid on:

Description	Related Party?	Amount received £	Amount paid out £	Balance held at Year End £
Winchester Diocesan Board of Finance: Parochial Fees [payable quarterly in arrear]	Yes	127.00	0.00	127.00 [Paid to WDBF on 17 January 2026]
MacMillan Caring Locally (donations at funeral of Jean Moore)	No	140.00	0.00	140.00
Pramacare (donations at funeral of Jean Moore)	No	140.00	0.00	140 [paid to Pramacare on 19th January 2026)

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PAULS, THROOP, BOU

England & Wales - Charity number 1131699

Accounts

Financial Review 2024

The total income for the year ending 31 December 2024 across all Funds was £186,300 [2023: £162,830]. Regular Giving and freewill offertory decreased by just under £3,000 compared with 2023 (not including Single Donations) which was offset by an equivalent increase in rental income. Pledges received for the Children & Youth Minister Fund amounted to £9,308 [2023: £10,308] and the PCC also gives grateful thanks to the Joseph Rank Trust for their award of a £30,000 Grant over three years: these funds have secured the position of our Children & Youth Minister until 2025. In 2023 a 'Gift Day' and other special fund-raising events celebrating the 40th anniversary of the opening of St Pauls church generated £20,221 with a further £3,140 due in 2025 from pending Gift Aid claims. Further gifts totalling £7,500 are anticipated in 2025.

Resources expended amounted to £165,977 [2023: £163,771]. Necessary work to replace the Fire Alarm system (£8,082) was funded by an equivalent reduction in Common Mission Fund payments to Winchester Diocese. New fencing for the church garden (£5,040), purchase and installation of new lighting (£2,004) and costs related to replacement flooring (£4,740) were paid for from funds raised through the 404040 events.

Net incoming resources for the year generated a total excess of £20,323 [2023 deficit: £941].

2025 will be a challenging year managing increase in staffing costs, the need to secure on-going funding for the Children & Youth Minister and general rising costs of consumables, from office supplies to coffee. We trust in God's unfailing goodness to guide us through and to equip us financially to continue our mission to Love Like Jesus, Live Like Jesus, and Lead to Jesus.

It is PCC policy to endeavour to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds which equates to at least three months unrestricted payments, which is equivalent to £31,000. This is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies. The cash balance of £78,932 held on unrestricted (including designated) funds at the year end, together with the amounts payable to and by the PCC, was in excess of this target.

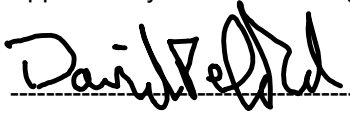
The PCC has sufficient reserves, organised into general funds, designated, and restricted funds, as described in Note 6 to the Accounts. The Trustees have assessed and consider that the PCC can continue its operations and meet its liabilities as they fall due for at least the next twelve months.

Responsibilities of the members of the PCC in relation to the Accounts

The PCC is responsible for all parish finance, its management and control, including the appointment of a Treasurer. Its legal responsibilities include:

- Keeping proper accounting records, which are sufficient to show and explain all the PCC's transactions and must include a record of all relevant assets and liabilities. The records must:
  - show and explain all the PCC's transactions;
  - disclose the PCC's financial position at any time;
  - enable the required accounts to be prepared;
  - show on a day-to-day basis all receipts and payments and what they were for;
  - include a record of all assets and liabilities.
- Ensuring that the finances of the PCC are under its control and only delegated if the PCC can ensure that its wishes will be followed.
- Preparing annual accounts and a report, which shall be presented to the Annual Parochial Church Meeting in accordance with the requirements of the Church Representation Rules.
- Arranging for an independent examination of the Accounts.

Approved by the PCC and signed on its behalf by:



---------- Dated: 24/04/2025

David Penfold: Treasurer

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	St Paul's PCC Bournemouth		
On accounts for the year ended	31 December 2024	**Charity no**	1131699
Set out on pages	A3 to A12		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

Signed:	*J Roper*	**Date:**	*02 April 2025*
Name:	John Roper		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	ACMA, CGMA, MCICM		
Address:	26 Pine Drive, St Ives Ringwood BH24 2LN		

St Paul's PCC Throop
Sofa Separate Designated
For the period from 01 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

		Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Receipts						
	Donations and legacies	108,278	27,111	21,623	157,012	137,492
	Income from charitable activities	12,280	-	-	12,280	11,567
	Other trading activities	15,976	-	-	15,976	12,942
	Investments	-	630	403	1,033	829
Total income		**136,534**	**27,741**	**22,026**	**186,300**	**162,830**
Payments						
	Expenditure on charitable activities	117,767	21,416	26,794	165,977	163,771
Total expenditure		**117,767**	**21,416**	**26,794**	**165,977**	**163,771**
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer		**18,767**	**6,325**	**-4,768**	**20,323**	**-941**
Transfers:						
Gross transfers between funds - in		19,905	3,789	-	23,694	39,211
Gross transfers between funds - out		-3,789	-11,245	-8,660	-23,694	-39,211
Net movement in funds		**34,884**	**-1,132**	**-13,428**	**20,323**	**-941**
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward		**9,971**	**35,210**	**20,770**	**65,952**	**66,892**
Total funds carried forward		**44,855**	**34,077**	**7,343**	**86,275**	**65,952**
Represented by						
Unrestricted						
	General Fund	44,855	-	-	44,855	9,971
Designated						
	404040	-	6,028	-	6,028	-
	Building Fund	-	14,958	-	14,958	14,607
	Development Fund	-	7,401	-	7,401	14,964
	Reserves Fund	-	5,018	-	5,018	4,739
	Vicars Discretionary Fund	-	673	-	673	900
Restricted						
	Agency collection	-	-	-	-	-
	Children And Youth Ministry Fund	-	-	7,343	7,343	20,770

- See section 2 for the breakdown of Receipts
- See section 3 for breakdown of Payments
- See section 6b for breakdown of Fund Movements

Balance Sheet

For the year ended 31 December 2024

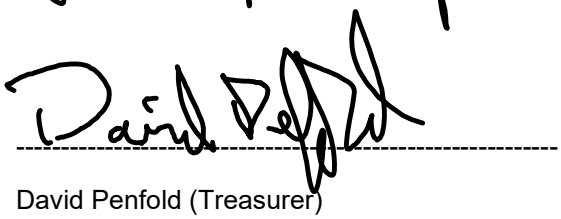
St Paul's PCC Throop

Balance Sheet detailed

		As at 31/12/2024	As at 31/12/2023
Current assets			
	HSBC Current A/C 41140760 GF	49,387	9,350
	HSBC Dep A/C 81140779 CYF	1,395	19,913
	HSBC Dep A/C 61148222 BF	19,876	15,507
	HSBC Dep A/C 01388169 DEV RES	11,669	19,703
	Accounts Receivable	16,526	3,788
		98,852	**68,261**
Liabilities			
	Agency collections	350	150
	Accounts Payable	12,227	2,159
		12,577	**2,309**
	Net Asset surplus (deficit)	**86,275**	**65,952**
Represented by Funds			
	General (Unrestricted)	44,855	9,971
	Designated	34,077	35,210
	Restricted	7,343	20,770
	Total	**86,275**	**65,952**

Approved for issue by the Parochial Church Council and signed on its behalf by:

Rev James Findlay (Chairman)



David Penfold (Treasurer)

24/04/2025

Dated

Charity Commission Registration no: 1131699

Notes to the accounts

31 December 2024

1. Accounting policies

Basis of financial statements

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

The Accounts have been prepared on the Accruals Basis.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are income funds that are to be spent on the PCC's general purposes.

Designated funds are general funds set aside by the PCC for use in the future. Project funds are designated for particular projects for administration purposes only. Designated funds remain unrestricted and the PCC may move any surplus to other general funds.

Restricted funds comprise revenue donations or grants for a specific PCC activity intended by the donor.

Where these funds have unspent balances, interest on their pooled investment is apportioned to the individual funds on an average balance basis.

Incoming resources

Planned giving, collections and similar donations are generally recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is entitled to the use of the resources, their ultimate receipt is considered reasonably certain, and the amounts due are readily quantifiable. Interest is accounted for as and when received. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

Resources expended

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. The Diocesan Common Mission Fund expected to be paid over is accounted for when due. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Fixed assets

Movable church furnishings held by the vicar and churchwardens on trust for the PCC are listed in the church's inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time).

New fixtures, fittings, and equipment used within the church premises with a purchase cost of £10,000 or more are depreciated on a straight-line basis over each asset's estimated useful life. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of less than £10,000 are written off when the asset is acquired.

Expenditure on replacements and renewals, which do not constitute a new class of asset, is written off in the year of expense.

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2. Incoming resources

Selected period: 01 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

		General	Designated	Restricted	This year	Total Last year
Receipts						
Donations and legacies						
	0101 - Regular giving: bank	15,498	-	-	15,498	17,775
	0102 - Regular giving: PGS	61,838	-	-	61,838	62,155
	0301 - Open Plate inc Pink GA Envs	5,536	-	-	5,536	5,940
	[a] 0401 - Gift Days	-	20,221	-	20,221	-
	0420 - CYF Ministry Donations	-	-	9,308	9,308	10,308
	0501 - Single Donations	7,914	3,000	-	10,914	9,075
	0501R - Refreshments	-	-	-	-	1,258
	0601 - Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	17,491	3,890	2,315	23,696	20,981
	[b] 0801 - Grants: external	-	-	10,000	10,000	10,000
Donations and legacies Totals		**108,278**	**27,111**	**21,623**	**157,012**	**137,492**
Income from charitable activities						
	1101 - Parochial Fees	436	-	-	436	288
	1260 - Cafe receipts	3,900	-	-	3,900	3,477
	1270 - Little Lambs Income	1,820	-	-	1,820	1,237
	1285 - Special Events Receipts	1,289	-	-	1,289	1,615
	1295 - Miscellaneous Income	4,835	-	-	4,835	4,951
Income from charitable activities Totals		**12,280**	**-**	**-**	**12,280**	**11,567**
Other trading activities						
	1240 - Rent & services: Barbara Rose	9,213	-	-	9,213	9,398
	[c] 1245 - Rent: other	6,763	-	-	6,763	3,544
Other trading activities Totals		**15,976**	**-**	**-**	**15,976**	**12,942**
Investments						
	1020 - Bank interest	-	630	403	1,033	828
	1021 - Other interest received	-	-	-	-	1
Investments Totals		**-**	**630**	**403**	**1,033**	**829**
Receipts Grand totals		**136,534**	**27,741**	**22,026**	**186,300**	**162,830**

[a] Donations received in response to 404040 Gift Day appeal plus sponsored events and 'Throop Together' Birthday Event.

[b] External Grants of £10,000 received from the Joseph Rank Trust for the Children & Youth Minister Fund, being part of a total grant of £30,000 payable over three years.

[c] New rental agreement with Bournemouth and Boscombe Light Operatic society (£600pcm) started in September 2024

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3. Resources expended

Selected period: 01 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

	General	Designated	Restricted	Total This year	Total Last year
Payments					
Expenditure on charitable activities					
[a] 1801 - Mission Tithe 10%	6,724	-	-	6,724	7,772
1810 - Mission Tithe 2.5%	-	-	-	-	40
1835 - Vicar's Discretionary Fund Expenses	-	-	-	-	227
1910 - Common Mission Fund: WDBF	42,652	-	-	42,652	53,007
[b] 2001 - Church salaries	25,711	6,290	26,794	58,795	52,730
2050 - Thank you gifts & honoraria	243	-	-	243	515
[c] 2101 - Incumbent's expenses	428	-	-	428	301
2130 - Vicarage Expenses	-	-	-	-	392
2160 - Ministry Team & Pastoral Team Expenses	856	-	-	856	191
2201 - Parish Training, courses, ref books	-	-	-	-	211
2204 - Children & Youth Work Expenses	1,173	-	-	1,173	1,099
2205 - Little Lambs Expenses	583	-	-	583	245
2210 - Special Events Expenses	2,238	-	-	2,238	1,248
2250 - Home Mission & Evangelism	30	-	-	30	625
2310 - Telephone & Broadband	3,447	-	-	3,447	1,815
2311 - Admin inc stnry/pstge/pcopier	967	-	-	967	1,414
2315 - IT costs & equipment	171	-	-	171	439
2320 - Subscriptions & Licences	2,083	-	-	2,083	2,366
2325 - Insurance	1,809	-	-	1,809	1,750
2329 - Equipment Purchases & Furnishings	5,073	-	-	5,073	5,307
[d] 2330 - Fabric & Maintenance	3,060	7,044	-	10,105	5,841
2331 - Cleaning	57	-	-	57	325
2332 - Church Garden	90	-	-	90	570
2333 - Miscellaneous Expenses	924	-	-	924	336
2335 - Housekeeping Purchases	3,909	-	-	3,909	2,836
2366 - Bank & card charges	224	-	-	224	178
2367 - Professional Fees: payroll and accounts	1,800	-	-	1,800	531
2370 - Visting Speakers/Locums	20	-	-	20	-
2375 - Sunday & other Service Expenses	483	-	-	483	281
2405 - Electricity	5,918	-	-	5,918	6,331
2410 - Gas	5,249	-	-	5,249	6,208
2420 - Water	692	-	-	692	460
2425 - Commercial Waste charges	1,152	-	-	1,152	1,390
[e] 2710 - Church Major Repairs: Installation	-	8,082	-	8,082	6,789
Expenditure on charitable activities Totals	**117,767**	**21,416**	**26,794**	**165,977**	**163,771**

[a] 10% Mission Tithe totalling £6,724 was disbursed to our Mission Partners PACE Trust (£2,862), Mission Aviation Fellowship (£2,862) and Phoebe Ridout (£1,000)

[b] PCC members received no remuneration during the year [2023 - £nil].

The salary costs of the Children & Youth Minister are paid from the Children & Youth Ministry Fund; the salary costs of the Church Administrator and the Verger are paid from the General Fund; the salary costs of the Music Director are paid from the Development Fund.

[c] Incumbent's expenses are not related to his office as Chairman of the PCC.

No other members of the PCC were reimbursed for expenses specifically relating to the PCC. Expenses incurred by PCC members unrelated to their services as such are not disclosable.

[d] New fencing for the church garden (£5,040) plus purchase and installation of new lighting (£2,004.44) funded from the 404040 Fund as well as general expenses (totalling £3,060) from the General Fund.

[e] Church Major Repairs covers the costs for to replace the Fire Alarm system (£8,082)

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4. Debtors & Prepayments

Debtors & Prepayments

	2024	2023
General Fund		
HMRC Gift Aid & GASDS recoverable	5,761	2,321
Other Debtor & Prepayments	1,144	609
	6,906	**2,930**
404040		
HMRC Gift Aid & GASDS recoverable	3,140	-
	3,140	**-**
Children And Youth Ministry Fund		
HMRC Gift Aid & GASDS recoverable	3,172	857
Other Debtor & Prepayments	2,400	-
	5,571	**857**
Development Fund		
HMRC Gift Aid & GASDS recoverable	750	-
	750	**-**
Agency Collections		
Third Party Agency Collections	158	-
	158	**-**
Total	**16,526**	**3,788**

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5. Creditors & Accruals: amounts falling due within one year

Creditors & Accruals

	2024	2023
General Fund		
Winchester Diocese - Common Mission Fund	10,000	-
Other Creditors & Accruals	2,227	2,159
	12,227	**2,159**
Agency Collections		
Third Party Agency Collections	350	150
	350	**150**
Total	**12,577**	**2,309**

6. Funds

a) Fund descriptions

Funds which are held by the PCC for general purposes (and which have not been restricted by the donors) are unrestricted.

The PCC has set aside certain funds (designated funds) for particular projects. These funds may be redesignated by the PCC as necessary.

The PCC's restricted funds comprise donations held for purposes specified by the donors.

Where these funds have unspent balances, interest on their investment is apportioned to the individual funds.

Unrestricted Fund:

The General Fund is not subject to any restrictions regarding its use and is available for application on the general purposes of the PCC

Designated Funds:

The Building Fund is held to meet major expenses on the fabric of the church buildings and grounds.

The Development Fund is assigned for all current development projects of the PCC related to mission development and outreach.

The Reserves Fund is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash-flow and to meet any emergency expenditure.

Notes to the accounts

31 December 2024

6.a) Fund descriptions: continued

The Vicar's Discretionary Fund is assigned for the discretionary use of the Priest in Charge for the alleviation of pastoral need.

The 404040 Fund was established in 2024 and exists to fund the modernisation of the church building and facilities. This fund comprises donations given as part of the 40th anniversary of the opening of the church, together with associated Gift Aid repayments where appropriate.

Restricted Fund:

The Children & Youth Ministry Fund was established in 2019 and exists to support the salary of a full-time Children & Youth Minister. This fund comprises donations received from within the church family of St Paul's Throop, together with associated Gift Aid repayments where appropriate, and a Grant from the Joseph Rank Trust.

6.b) Fund details

St Paul's PCC Throop
Fund movement summary
Selected period: 01 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

Fund	Fund balances brought forward	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	Gains and Losses	Journal Entries	Fund balances Carried forward
404040 - 404040	-	23,361	7,044	-10,289	-	-	6,028
Building - Building Fund	14,607	351	-	-	-	-	14,958
ChildYouth - Children And Youth Ministry Fund	20,770	22,026	26,794	-8,660	-	-	7,343
Development - Development Fund	14,964	3,750	14,372	3,059	-	-	7,401
General - General Fund	9,971	136,534	117,767	16,117	-	-	44,855
Reserves - Reserves Fund	4,739	279	-	-	-	-	5,018
Vicar - Vicars Discretionary Fund	900	-	-	-227	-	-	673
Totals	65,952	186,300	165,977	-	-	-	86,275

6.c) Transfer between funds - notes

A total £10,289 was moved from the 404040 Fund (£3,789 to the Development Fund and £6,500 to General Fund) to cover costs replacing flooring in the church extension

£8,660 was moved from the CYF Fund to the General Fund to offset a Fund Movement of the same amount in 2023

£227 was moved from the Vicars Discretionary Fund to the General Fund to offset a Fund Movement of the same in from 2023

£730 was moved from the Development Fund to the General Fund to offset a Fund Movement of the same in from 2023

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31 December 2024

7. Assets & Liabilities by Fund

St Paul's PCC Throop

Statement of Assets and Liabilities (by fund)
As at: 31 December 2024

			Balance	Previous balance
Current Asset				
6501: HSBC Current A/C 41140760 GF				
	404040	Designated	-1,357	-
	Children And Youth Ministry Fund	Restricted	375	-
	General Fund	Unrestricted	50,176	9,200
	Agency collection	Restricted	192	150
			49,387	**9,350**
6505: HSBC Dep A/C 81140779 CYF				
	Children And Youth Ministry Fund	Restricted	1,395	19,913
			1,395	**19,913**
6506: HSBC Dep A/C 61148222 BF				
	404040	Designated	4,245	-
	Building Fund	Designated	14,958	14,607
	Vicars Discretionary Fund	Designated	673	900
			19,876	**15,507**
6507: HSBC Dep A/C 01388169 DEV RES				
	Development Fund	Designated	6,651	14,964
	Reserves Fund	Designated	5,018	4,739
			11,669	**19,703**
Z05: Accounts Receivable				
	404040	Designated	3,140	-
	Children And Youth Ministry Fund	Restricted	5,572	857
	Development Fund	Designated	750	-
	General Fund	Unrestricted	6,906	2,930
	Agency collection	Restricted	158	-
			16,526	**3,788**
		Current Asset	**98,852**	**68,261**
Liability				
6699: Agency collections				
	Agency collection	Restricted	350	150
			350	**150**
Z04: Accounts Payable				
	General Fund	Unrestricted	12,227	2,159
			12,227	**2,159**
		Liability	**12,577**	**2,309**
		Grand Total	**86,275**	**65,952**

Notes to the accounts

31 December 2024

8. Related Party Transactions

Apart from the reimbursement of expenses, as disclosed in Note 3, and funds received as Agent as shown in Note 9, there were no related party transactions during the year.

9. Funds received as Agent

From time to time the PCC may act as Agent to facilitate collections for third parties. As the PCC does not hold legal title to these collections, such funds are not required to be shown in the Statement of Financial Activities or on the Balance Sheet. During 2024 the following collections/fees on behalf of third parties were banked and duly paid on:

Description	Related Party?	Amount received £	Amount paid out £	Balance held at Year End £
Winchester Diocesan Board of Finance: Parochial Fees [payable quarterly in arrear]	Yes	966.00	616.00	350.00 [Paid to WDBF on 18 January 2025]

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PAULS, THROOP, BOU

England & Wales - Charity number 1131699

Accounts

ANNUAL REPORT

AND

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

OF THE

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

Incumbent:
The Revd James Findlay

Bankers:
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Independent Examiner:
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ST PAUL'S CHURCH, THROOP

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2023

Administrative Information

St Paul's Church is situated in Landford Way, Throop, Bournemouth. It is part of the Diocese of Winchester within the Church of England. The correspondence address is St Paul's Vicarage, Chesildene Avenue, Bournemouth, BH8 0AZ

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a charity registered with the Charity Commission. Our Charity Number is 1131699.

The PCC complies with the duties under Section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (to have regard to the House of Bishops' guidance on Safeguarding children and vulnerable adults).

The PCC complies with the Law contained in the General Data Protection Regulations and the Data Protection Act 2018.

PCC members who have served from 30th April 2023 until the date this report was approved are:

Incumbent:	Revd James Findlay	
Clergy:	Revd Ben Coulter (ex-officio) Revd Chris Dodgson (ex-officio)	
Wardens:	Jenny Powell Stephen Bendell	
Treasurer:	David Penfold	
PCC Treasury Liaison Officer:	Revd Chris Dodgson	
Deanery Synod Representatives:	Claire Saunders	David James
PCC Elected Members:	David James Gill Schiel Andy Renton Ali Watts Mark Arnold (co-opted)	Claire Saunders Averil Bowyer Kathy Blake Kerry Lawford Stuart Calvert (co-opted)
Ex-Officio Members:	Andy Saunders	

Structure, governance and management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

All PCC Members are required to undergo Safeguarding Training to Level C1 and must have a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) Check.

Objectives and Activities

St. Paul's PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It also has the maintenance responsibilities for the church premises of St. Paul's Throop.

The PCC also operates with a number of sub-committees who meet on a regular basis and submit minutes to the PCC for approval. The members of these sub-committees for 2023 are:

PCC Sub-Groups 2023

Standing Committee
Revd Jim Findlay (Priest-in-Charge), Jenny Powell & Stephen Bendell (Church Wardens), Gill Schiel, Claire Saunders & Chris Dodgson.

Fabric and Maintenance
Stephen Bendell & Gordon Cox

Safeguarding Officer
Pippa Fisher

Data Protection Officer
Chris Dodgson

Church Attendance:
There were 137 Parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll at the end of 2023 of which 52 were resident in the Parish.

Average Sunday morning attendance for 2023 when attended in person was 30 under 16 years of age and 98 over 16 years.

PCC Review of the Year

The PCC met 7 times during 2023. The PCC was pleased to welcome the following new members in 2023: –

Kathy Blake, Mark Arnold (co-opted), Stuart Calvert (co-opted) and Steve Bendell.

St Paul's was pleased to support continued participation of food donations at Harvest for Bournemouth Foodbank.

At the January PCC meeting, it was agreed a social media strategy would be formulated and the Barbara Rose rent review was discussed. With regard to the budget it was agreed that our giving be more missional-focussed and communication around giving would improve. Members were to research and prayerfully consider their stance re Living in Love and Faith.

In February, Revd Jim updated members on the pause of the potential merger with Holy Epiphany. An increase to the rent for Barbara Rose Pre-School was agreed. Discussion took place around the House of Bishop's proposal and Synod's response and then spent some time in prayer.

In March, the PCC approved giving notice to leave the Energy Basket and find alternative utility provision. The annual report for the APCM was approved. The book that Revd Jim is writing was discussed - PCC agreed to fund the first print run with potential profits going to St Paul's. Purchase of a fridge/freezer for the kitchen was agreed. Nathan Bendell attended to talk members through his 2 year plan for children/youth work. Plans for a Coronation Day Jamboree were discussed. Repairs to the intruder alarm and bi-fold doors were authorised.

At the May PCC meeting, Chris Dodgson encouraged members to look at and take heed of the Data Sharing Agreement on our website and ensure paper and electronic records are secure. Taking on a 12 month contract with Perfect Clarity for utilities was agreed as was the formulation of an Environmental Policy. The Appointment of PCC officers was conducted as well as approval of electoral roll additions. It was agreed that a working party would work on a job description for the Director of Music role. New areas of responsibility for each PCC member were also agreed. A quarterly dementia friendly worship service was approved, as was a pamper and pizza event for the Childminders group.

On 5th June, the Standing Committee approved David James being made Primary User for online banking.

At the June PCC meeting, new PCC members were urged to speak to Jim Page about a DBS check and training. Stuart Griffiths was approved as book keeper and Gordon Cox as Gift Aid Secretary. The church office is to be remodelled to fit in a 3rd person. Following discussion it was agreed that we would look to register the cafe with the Food Standards Agency, and that St Paul's would bear the cost of training. It was also agreed to run an Alpha course in the autumn. Revision of Mission Partners was discussed.

The July PCC meeting was cancelled to allow members to progress their various areas of responsibility.

On 10th August, the Standing Committee approved a month-long trial of holding the Bournemouth Recycle food surplus on our premises.

At the September PCC meeting, it was agreed that the remaining funds in this year's discretionary fund be given to Phoebe Arnold working for Friends International. Revision of our Mission Partners was discussed as was Revd Jim's proposal regarding 40-40-40. Members agreed that the extension flooring be replaced. The food surplus trial was deemed a success and would be confirmed, with an agreement that Revd Ben would look into the infrastructure.

Due to illness of both the Vicar and PCC Secretary, the October meeting had to be cancelled. However members were approached electronically to approve David Penfold as Treasurer replacement - all were in favour.

In November, Katie Hodkinson advised that it had been agreed that her curacy would move to St Andrew's Bennett Road. PCC approved adopting the suite of safeguarding docs. Purchase and installation of a new screen to replace the broken projector was discussed and agreed. Discussion took place around staff salaries. An Environmental Policy was approved and Revd Jim updated members on 40-40-40 plans.

On 22nd December, the Standing Committee approved a deep clean of St Paul's gutters, valleys and pipes.

And our Deanery Synod Representatives regularly reported to the PCC throughout the year on the workings of the Synod.

The Annual Report was drawn up by Mrs Kerry Lawford, PCC Secretary and approved by the PCC of St Paul's Throop on

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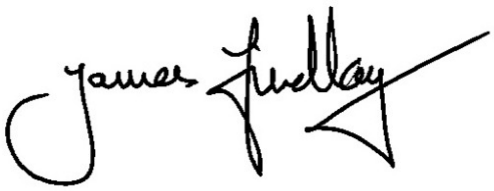
and signed on its behalf by Rev James Findlay (PCC Chair)



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Financial Review 2023

The total income for the year ended 31 December 2023 across all Funds was £162,830 [2022: £201,796]. Regular Giving and freewill offertory increased by over 3% compared with 2022 (not including Single Donations). The PCC gives thanks to the Lord for the generosity of our church family. Pledges received for the Children & Youth Minister Fund amounted to £10,308 [2022: £14,832] and the PCC also gives grateful thanks to the Joseph Rank Trust for their award of a £30,000 Grant over three years: these funds have secured the position of our Children & Youth Minister until 2025.

Resources expended amounted to £163,771 [2022: £212,088]. Net incoming resources for the year generated a total deficit of £941 [2022 deficit: £10,292].

2023 was an exciting year for our finances and the way in which we were able to serve the Lord through our financial activities, for which the PCC acknowledges with gratitude the servant-hearted giving of our church family in terms of talents, time, and money. 2024 will be a challenging year as we struggle with the increase in staffing costs, coupled with the general rising costs of consumables across the board, from office supplies to coffee. We trust in God's unfailing goodness to guide us through and to equip us financially to continue our mission to Love Like Jesus, Live Like Jesus, and Lead to Jesus.

It is PCC policy to endeavour to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds which equates to at least three months unrestricted payments, which is equivalent to £31,000. This is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies. The cash balance of £45,181 held on unrestricted (including designated) funds at the year end, together with the amounts payable to and by the PCC, was in excess of this target.

The PCC has sufficient reserves, organised into general funds, designated, and restricted funds, as described in Note 6 to the Accounts. The Trustees have assessed and consider that the PCC can continue its operations and meet its liabilities as they fall due for at least the next twelve months.

Responsibilities of the members of the PCC in relation to the Accounts

The PCC is responsible for all parish finance, its management and control, including the appointment of a Treasurer. Its legal responsibilities include:

- Keeping proper accounting records, which are sufficient to show and explain all the PCC's transactions and must include a record of all relevant assets and liabilities. The records must:
    - show and explain all the PCC's transactions;
    - disclose the PCC's financial position at any time;
    - enable the required accounts to be prepared;
    - show on a day-to-day basis all receipts and payments and what they were for;
    - include a record of all assets and liabilities.
- Ensuring that the finances of the PCC are under its control and only delegated if the PCC can ensure that its wishes will be followed.
- Preparing annual accounts and a report, which shall be presented to the Annual Parochial Church Meeting in accordance with the requirements of the Church Representation Rules.
- Arranging for an independent examination of the Accounts.

Approved by the PCC and signed on its behalf by:

---------- Dated:_____8.5.24_____

David Penfold: Treasurer

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	St Paul's PCC Bournemouth		
On accounts for the year ended	31 December 2023	**Charity no**	1131699
Set out on pages	A3 to A12		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

Signed:	J Roper	**Date:**	03 May 2024
Name:	John Roper		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	ACMA, CGMA, MCICM		
Address:	26 Pine Drive, St Ives Ringwood BH24 2LN		

Statement of Financial Activities
For the year ended 31 December 2023

		Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Incoming resources							
Donations and legacies			114,494	500	22,498	137,492	187,499
Income from charitable activities			9,858	1,709		11,567	4,479
Other trading activities			12,942			12,942	9,747
Investment income			1	583	245	829	71
Total incoming resources		**2**	**137,294**	**2,792**	**22,743**	**162,830**	**201,796**
Resources expended							
Expenditure on charitable activities			123,579	15,583	24,608	163,771	212,088
Total resources expended		**3**	**123,579**	**15,583**	**24,608**	**163,771**	**212,088**
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers			**13,715**	**(12,791)**	**(1,865)**	**(941)**	**(10,292)**
Transfers between funds in/(out)		**6b**	(19,617)	10,957	8,660	-	-
Net movement in funds			**(5,902)**	**(1,834)**	**6,795**	**(941)**	**(10,292)**
Funds at 1 January			15,873	37,044	13,975	66,892	77,184
Funds at 31 December			**9,971**	**35,210**	**20,770**	**65,952**	**66,892**
Represented by							
Unrestricted:	General fund		9,971			9,971	15,873
Designated:	Building Fund			14,607		14,607	6,456
	Development Fund			14,964		14,964	25,207
	Reserves Fund			4,739		4,739	4,485
	Vicars Discretionary Fund			900		900	896
Restricted:	Children & Youth Ministry Fund				20,770	20,770	13,975
			9,971	**35,210**	**20,770**	**65,952**	**66,892**

Balance Sheet

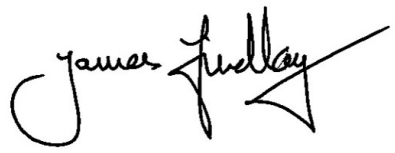
For the year ended 31 December 2023

St Paul's PCC, Throop, Bournemouth

Balance Sheet detailed

		Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Current Assets				
Cash at bank			64,473	31,018
Debtors & Prepayments		4	3,788	48,849
			68,261	**79,867**
Liabilities				
Creditors: amounts failling due within one year		5	**2,309**	**12,975**
			65,952	**66,892**
Net Current Assets		7	**65,952**	**66,892**
Represented by Funds				
Unrestricted	General Fund	6b	9,971	15,873
Designated	Building Fund	6b	14,607	6,456
	Development Fund		14,964	25,207
	Reserves Fund		4,739	4,485
	Vicars Discretionary Fund		900	896
Restricted	Children & Youth ministry Fund	6b	20,770	13,975
			65,952	**66,892**

Approved for issue by the Parochial Church Council and signed on its behalf by:



Rev James Findlay (Chairman)

David Penfold (Treasurer)

Dated 8.5.24

Charity Commission Registration no: 1131699

Notes to the accounts

31 December 2023

1. Accounting policies

Basis of financial statements

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

The Accounts have been prepared on the Accruals Basis.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are income funds that are to be spent on the PCC's general purposes.

Designated funds are general funds set aside by the PCC for use in the future. Project funds are designated for particular projects for administration purposes only. Designated funds remain unrestricted and the PCC may move any surplus to other general funds.

Restricted funds comprise revenue donations or grants for a specific PCC activity intended by the donor.

Where these funds have unspent balances, interest on their pooled investment is apportioned to the individual funds on an average balance basis.

Incoming resources

Planned giving, collections and similar donations are generally recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is entitled to the use of the resources, their ultimate receipt is considered reasonably certain, and the amounts due are readily quantifiable. Interest is accounted for as and when received. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

Resources expended

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. The Diocesan Common Mission Fund expected to be paid over is accounted for when due. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Fixed assets

Movable church furnishings held by the vicar and churchwardens on trust for the PCC are listed in the church's inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time).

New fixtures, fittings, and equipment used within the church premises with a purchase cost of £10,000 or more are depreciated on a straight-line basis over each asset's estimated useful life. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of less than £10,000 are written off when the asset is acquired.

Expenditure on replacements and renewals, which do not constitute a new class of asset, is written off in the year of expense.

Notes to the accounts
31 December 2023
2. Incoming resources

Incoming resources

	Notes		Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Donations and grants							
		Regular giving: bank	17,775			17,775	17,692
		Regular giving: PGS	62,155			62,155	58,091
		Open Plate inc Pink GA Envs	5,940			5,940	6,924
		Refreshments	1,258			1,258	2,520
		CYF Ministry Donations			10,308	10,308	14,832
		Single Donations	8,675	400		9,075	53,351
		Special Appeals					200
		Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	18,691	100	2,190	20,981	22,064
	[a]	Grants: external			10,000	10,000	11,825
Donations and grants Totals			**114,494**	**500**	**22,498**	**137,492**	**187,499**
Income from charitable activities							
		Parochial Fees	288			288	438
		Little Lambs Income	1,237			1,237	53
		Cafe receipts	3,477			3,477	1,350
		Children & Youthwork Income					606
		Special Events Receipts	1,615			1,615	1,972
		Miscellaneous Income	3,242	1,709		4,951	60
Income from charitable activities Totals			**9,858**	**1,709**	-	**11,567**	**4,479**
Other trading activities							
	[b]	Rent & services: Barbara Rose	9,398			9,398	8,354
		Rent: other	3,544			3,544	1,393
Other trading activities Totals			**12,942**	-	-	**12,942**	**9,747**
Investments							
		Bank interest		583	245	828	71
		Other interest received	1	-	0	1	
Investments Totals			**1**	**583**	**245**	**829**	**71**
Income and endowments Grand totals			**137,294**	**2,792**	**22,743**	**162,830**	**201,796**

[a] External Grants of £10,000 received from the Joseph Rank Trust for the Children & Youth Minister Fund, being part of a total grant of £30,000 payable over three years.
[b] The rate of rental charged to the Barbara Rose Christian Preschool increased from £7,568 to £8,800. The balance of income comprised: amounts reimbursed to the PCC for the Preschool's use of the Toshiba photocopier/printer; and 50% of the costs of carpet cleaning.

Notes to the accounts
31 December 2023
3. Resources expended

Resources expended

Expenditure on charitable activities	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
[a] Mission Tithe 10%		7,772			7,772	7,488
[b] Mission Tithe 2.5%		40			40	798
Giving to relief & development agencies					-	299
Vicar's Discretionary Fund Disbursements			227		227	-
Common Mission Fund: WDBF		53,007			53,007	51,826
[c] Church salaries		23,806	4,316	24,608	52,730	54,666
Thank you gifts & honoraria		515			515	374
[d] Incumbent's expenses		301			301	1,039
Vicarage Expenses		392			392	
Ministry Team & Pastoral Team Expenses		191			191	49
Parish Training, courses, ref books		211			211	214
Children & Youth Work Expenses		1,099			1,099	1,480
Little Lambs Expenses		245			245	187
Special Events Expenses		1,248			1,248	1,827
Home Mission & Evangelism		625			625	374
Telephone & Broadband		1,815			1,815	1,371
Admin inc stnry/pstge/pcopier		1,414			1,414	1,167
IT costs & equipment		439			439	2,290
Subscriptions & Licences		2,366			2,366	2,698
Insurance		1,750			1,750	1,644
[e] Equipment Purchases & Furnishings		3,089	2,218		5,307	5,094
Fabric & Maintenance		3,807	2,034		5,841	9,233
Cleaning		325			325	397
Church Garden		570			570	-
Miscellaneous Expenses		336			336	24
Housekeeping Purchases		2,836			2,836	1,948
Governance costs					-	103
Bank & card charges		178			178	151
Professional Fees: payroll and accounts		531			531	1,576
Sunday & other Service Expenses		281			281	142
Electricity		6,331			6,331	3,608
Gas		6,208			6,208	3,478
Water		460			460	543
Commercial Waste charges		1,390			1,390	1,398
Books: cost of books for resale					-	54
[f] Church Major Repairs: Installation			6,789		6,789	54,548
Expenditure on charitable activities Totals		**123,579**	**15,583**	**24,608**	**163,771**	**212,088**

[a] The 10% Mission Tithe totalling £8,272 was disbursed equally between our four Mission Partners: Crosslinks; OMF; Faithworks Wessex; and the PACE Trust. A grant of £500 was received for Dementia-friendly services

[b] Payment of £39.99 made for expenses related to 'Hope into Action House'.

[c] PCC members received no remuneration during the year [2022 - £nil].

The salary costs of the Children & Youth Minister are paid from the Children & Youth Ministry Fund; the salary costs of the Church Administrator and the Verger are paid from the General Fund; the salary costs of the Music Director are paid from the Development Fund.

[d] Incumbent's expenses are not related to his office as Chairman of the PCC.

No other members of the PCC were reimbursed for expenses specifically relating to the PCC. Expenses incurred by PCC members unrelated to their services as such are not disclosable.

[e] New items of other equipment purchased include: an Industrial Dishwasher and Fridge Freezer plus other small items of equipment for the new church kitchen.

[f] Church major repairs covers the costs for solid flooring in the church extension

Notes to the accounts
31 December 2023
4. Debtors & Prepayments

	2023	2022
	£	£
General Fund		
HMRC Gift Aid & GASDS recoverable	2,321	771
Donations for kitchen refurbishment	-	1,765
Other Debtors & Prepayments	609	235
	2,930	2,771
Building Fund		6,456
Donations for kitchen refurbishment	-	6,456
Development Fund		35,000
Donations for kitchen refurbishment	-	35,000
Reserves Fund		4,479
Donations for kitchen refurbishment	-	4,479
Chidren & Youth Minstry Fund		143
HMRC Gift Aid & GASDS recoverable	857	143
Totals	**3,788**	**48,849**

Notes to the accounts

31 December 2023

5. Creditors & Accruals: amounts falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
General Fund		
Other Creditors & Accruals	2,159	2,833
	2,159	2,833
Development Fund		10,000
Home Refurb: kitchen refurbishment final payment	-	10,000
Agency Collections	150	142
Third party agency collections	150	142
Totals	**2,309**	**12,975**

6. Funds

a) Fund descriptions

Funds which are held by the PCC for general purposes (and which have not been restricted by the donors) are unrestricted.

The PCC has set aside certain funds (designated funds) for particular projects. These funds may be redesignated by the PCC as necessary.

The PCC's restricted funds comprise donations held for purposes specified by the donors.

Where these funds have unspent balances, interest on their investment is apportioned to the individual funds.

Unrestricted Fund:

The General Fund is not subject to any restrictions regarding its use and is available for application on the general purposes of the PCC

Designated Funds:

The Building Fund is held to meet major expenses on the fabric of the church buildings and grounds.

The Development Fund is assigned for all current development projects of the PCC related to mission development and outreach.

The Reserves Fund is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash-flow and to meet any emergency expenditure.

Notes to the accounts
31 December 2023
6.a) Fund descriptions: continued

The Vicar's Discretionary Fund is assigned for the discretionary use of the Priest in Charge for the alleviation of pastoral need.

Restricted Fund:

The Children & Youth Ministry Fund was established in 2019 and exists to support the salary of a full-time Children & Youth Minister. This fund comprises donations received from within the church family of St Paul's Throop, together with associated Gift Aid repayments where appropriate, and a Grant from the Joseph Rank Trust.

6.b) Fund details

St Paul's PCC, Throop, Bournemouth

Balance Sheet detailed
1st January 2023 to 31 December 2023

Fund Details

Fund	Balances at 1 January 2023	Incoming resources	Outgoing resource	Transfers	Balances at 31 December 2023
General Fund					
Unrestricted	15873	137294	123579	(19,617)	9971
Children and Youth Ministry Fund					
Restricted	13975	22743	24608	8660	20770
Building Fund					
Designated	6456	185	2034	10000	14607
Development Development					
Designated	25207	2350	13323	730	14964
Reserve Fund					
Designated	4485	254	0	0	4739
Vicars Discretionary Fund					
Designated	896	4	227	227	900
Totals	**66892**	**162830**	**163771**	**0**	65952

6.c) Transfer between funds - notes

£10,000 was moved from the General Fund to Building Fund to reflect operating surplus during 2023
Some outgoings from the General Account in the second half of 2023 related to expenses from Designated funds, effectively resulting in transfers from the General Fund to these Designated Funds. Specifically - CYF Fund : £8,660, Development Fund : £730, Vicars Discretionary Fund : £227.

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7. Assets & Liabilities by Fund

St Paul's PCC, Throop, Bournemouth

Statement of Assets and Liabilities (by fund)
as at: 31 December 2023

		2023 Balance £	2022 Balance £
Unrestricted Funds			
General Fund			
	HSBC Current A/C	9,350	15,935
	Debtors & Prepayments	2,930	2,771
		12,280	**18,706**
	Creditors: Amount falling due in one year	(2,159)	(2,833)
		10,121	**15,873**
Designated Funds			
Building Fund			
	HSBC Current A/C	14,607	-
	Debtors & Prepayments	-	6,456
		14,607	**6,456**
Development Fund			
	HSBC Current A/C	14,964	207
	Debtors & Prepayments		35,000
		14,964	**35,207**
	Creditors: Amount falling due in one year		(10,000)
		14,964	**25,207**
Reserves Fund			
	HSBC Current A/C	4,739	6
	Debtors & Prepayments		4,479
		4,739	**4,485**
Vicars Discretionary Fund			
	HSBC Current A/C	900	896
		900	**896**
Restricted Funds			
Children and Youth Ministry Fund			
	HSBC Current A/C	19,913	13,832
	Debtors & Prepayments	857	143
		20,770	**13,975**
	Creditors: Amount falling due in one year	-	-
		20,770	**13,975**
Agency Collection: Restricted			
	HSBC Current A/C	-	142
	Agency collections payable	(150)	(142)
		(150)	-
Totals all Funds		**65,952**	**66,892**

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8. Related Party Transactions
Apart from the reimbursement of expenses, as disclosed in Note 3, and funds received as Agent as shown in Note 9, there were no related party transactions during the year.

9. Funds received as Agent
From time to time the PCC may act as Agent to facilitate collections for third parties. As the PCC does not hold legal title to these collections, such funds are not required to be shown in the Statement of Financial Activities or on the Balance Sheet. During 2023 the following collections/fees on behalf of third parties were banked and duly paid on:

Description	Related Party?	Amount received £	Amount paid out £	Balance held at Year End £
FAITHWORKS WESSEX HOMELESS donation	Yes	90.00	90.00	NIL
Winchester Diocesan Board of Finance: Parochial Fees [payable quarterly in arrear]	Yes	721.00	871.00	150.00 [Paid to WDBF on 16 January 2024]

REPORT OF ACTIVITIES

2023

CHURCHWARDENS

It has been extremely encouraging to see our numbers grow again this year in both adults and children. The fact we are a welcoming church has been mentioned on many occasions and none more so than at the newcomers lunch held in November.

The food distribution service introduced this year has proved to be very successful and we would like to thank Ben and others who have worked so hard to make it happen.

In June, Ben Coulter and Chris Dodgson were licensed and Katie Hodkinson was ordained at Winchester Cathedral. We were sorry to say goodbye to Katie so soon but it was in the best interests of all parties as Jim explained at the time.

As we look ahead to 2024, the 40/40/40 theme will be a main focus as we also look to, amongst other things, help our building which is beginning to show its age. Some work has been completed, some has started and other work is planned.

We could not do as much at St. Paul's if it were not for the many volunteers who work alongside our paid staff. It would be wrong to name names and there is always the danger of missing somebody out but please accept our heartfelt thanks for all you do. No one offering to help is ever likely to be turned away! Thanks to Jim and the ministry team who continue to guide St. Paul's in what are challenging times.

Steve Bendell and Jenny Powell, Churchwardens

BOURNEMOUTH DEANERY SYNOD

Deanery Synod meetings have been limited over the past year, with some restructuring of the Deanery Mission and Pastoral Committee still ongoing. There remains a need both for a Lay Chair and Treasurer. Despite this, meeting dates for the coming year are set and we therefore look forward to increased engagement and activity moving forwards.

Deanery Synod members: Claire Saunders & David James

SAFEGUARDING

In line with our Diocesan safeguarding goal, policies and procedures, 'we are committed to the safeguarding, care and nurture of everyone within our community'.

The PCC has complied with the duty to have "due regard" to the House of Bishops' Safeguarding Policy and Practice Guidance.

Pippa Fisher was appointed as the new Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO) for St Paul's at the PCC in November 2023, taking over from Jim Page. She is also the new DBS Officer too. Nathan Bendell has taken on the role as Deputy Safeguarding Officer.

Jim, Nathan and Pippa will all be undertaking courses in 2024 to prepare them for these new roles and keep their training up to date.

DBS checks need to continue to be completed every 3 years. Please can everyone be diligent and help those who run our systems by checking their DBS forms to ensure that they are in date. If you need to renew, contact the PSO via safeguarding@stpaulsthroop.com and you will be sent a link with a code to enter in order that you can complete the process.

The Diocese has also requested that anyone involved in certain roles connected with church activity, lay and ordained, should undertake specific safeguarding training. The training is the Church of England Safeguarding Basic Awareness and the Foundations Pathway which can be found on the Winchester Diocese website under the Safeguarding Training tab. There are other courses provided that your role may have to undertake, as advised by the Diocese - please check with Pippa Fisher, PSO, for guidance.

Your team / group leader will be in touch to ensure that everyone is complying with the new guidelines set out by the Diocese. The Safeguarding Basic Awareness course must be completed within three months of starting your new position, ideally it can be completed before starting. If you are having issues completing the training online, please talk to Pippa and she will be able to direct you to courses which are coming up. Again, your diligence in assisting those who run our systems would be greatly appreciated.

There have been no disclosures made to the Safeguarding Team during 2023.

Please remain vigilant and if you suspect someone is at risk, please report it. Pippa Fisher's (PSO) office number is 01202 525525. Diocesan Safeguarding Manager is Jackie Rowlands: 01962 737317 or mobile: 07921 865374. Other contact details relevant to this area can be found on the safeguarding tab of our website homepage.

Pippa Fisher and Jim Findlay

DATA PROTECTION

I suspect this report will read very similarly to last year's report. I'm happy to say that I have not been made aware of any mishaps with our (your!) data, and we remain compliant with requirements of the law.

The same as last year, though - I'd like to take the opportunity to remind the Church of our responsibilities as processors of data, and also of our rights as the subjects of the data held.

As a church we have a duty to collect information about our members. We have a duty of care to keep personal data up to date, by storing and destroying it securely; by only collecting the data we need for our specific purposes, and only sharing it with those that have a legal right of access.

Under Data Protection law, you have a right to know exactly what information is held about you, and you have a right to request that St Paul's PCC erase your data if you withdraw your consent for that information to be stored, and for your data to be corrected if it is discovered that the information held is inaccurate.

Your personal data is treated as strictly confidential and will only be shared with other members of the church or for purposes connected with the church. We will only ever share your data with third parties outside of the parish with your consent.

Further details are available on the church website – via our privacy notice:

https://stpaulsthroop.com/privacy-policy/

I do have one ask though – if you are responsible for lists of contact details for people you have contact with on behalf of the church – please can I encourage a little spring cleaning? Please check your distribution lists, and the details of those you are contacting. Are they still members of the church? Do they still want to be on the list you hold? If not – then you may be in the position of needing to delete their details. If you are unsure, need advice or wish to discuss a Data Protection issue with me, please feel free to contact me at: chrisdodgson@stpaultsthroop.com

Revd Chris Dodgson

HOUSEKEEPING

I would like to say a big thank you to all of you who are on the drinks and cleaning rotas, without all of you it wouldn't happen. God bless you all in 2024,

Andrew Sirmulis

FABRIC AND MAINTENANCE

There is no doubting our building is in need of some TLC as it is starting to show signs of its age. The new flooring in the extension area is underway and will be completed in February 2024.

The Fire Drill carried out in October showed the current system is in urgent need of an upgrade and this very necessary work will be carried out as soon as our circumstances allow.

Ongoing maintenance to various areas in the building and the grounds are carried out by Gordon, our Verger, with the help of other willing volunteers, and my very grateful thanks goes to all of them.

If 40/40/40 is the success we all hope it will be, our building should be in a much better state of repair, which will be of benefit to all who use it during the coming year.

Steve Bendell

SOUND AND VISION

The sound and vision team is in its strongest position for a few years. There are six of us (the same as last year) but David Penfold is now fully trained on the PC, which has made a big difference. So thank you to him, Ian Tyrell, Andy Renton, Nathaniel Smith and Stephen Lodge for your faithful service.

On the technical side of things, the projector that we have been using for almost 20 years failed and could not be repaired. And so the decision was taken to replace it with a flatscreen TV which we hope will give a clearer and more consistent display. Thank you to Stephen for sourcing this. As a result, we had to re-cable all of the other screens; thank you Gordon for your invaluable help with this. We still need to connect the lounge TV and finish tidying up; hopefully this will be done by the time of the APCM.

This year we need to repair or replace the hearing loop, which has not been working for some time.

David James

LITTLE LAMBS

The numbers attending Little Lambs each week remains fairly constant, between 40 and 50 families attending. Many come very regularly and have made new friends, whilst others are seen less frequently. Most weeks 3 or 4 new families arrive, many from well outside our local postcode. The vast majority who arrive have come because they have been told by friends that Little Lambs is a friendly group with good facilities. We continue to have many attending who have English as an additional language.

For many years Little Lambs has been a group for babies and children under 3 years of age. In the Autumn Term the team began to discuss whether we could provide for children up to the age when they start school. We decided that we would keep the first session for under 3s and offer the second session from newborn to school age. This would enable those attending to have greater choice. This idea was put to the parents and other carers who bring children, and was overwhelmingly positively received. As from January 2024 this arrangement will be trialled.

At the beginning of each meeting the team meet to pray for each other, for those who come along that they might sense the love of God and for any needs as they arise. We now also meet, after we have cleared away, to reflect on the morning and to give God thanks for all He has done. Please pray for Little Lambs. We continue to offer a valuable service to the community, a safe and stimulating place to play, but we are more than that. Little Lambs is a way of sharing God's love in a practical way to those who know Him and those who are yet to encounter Him. The team offer a listening ear to those who need someone to talk to, and prayer, either face to face or through the prayer request box, for those who would like it. We are clear that we are a Christian group of helpers but we are equally clear that all are welcome.

It is a privilege to be part of the Little Lambs Team.

Jenny Powell, Ian & Sue Tyrrell

PASTORAL CARE

The past year has seen the pastoral team continuing to offer support to those who are struggling for any number of reasons including illness, bereavement, financial worries, marital or relationship difficulties, work or family issues, anxiety, depression, loneliness, or those who are struggling spiritually. Because of data protection laws we are only able to contact people whose information is in the Church Directory or who have given permission for us to contact them.

During the year we became aware that we needed to offer support to those who are living with memory loss and those who live with them. We had some training about things we needed to be aware of in church, e.g. appropriate signage, and how we could introduce a suitable church service. We held 2 services, Harvest and Christmas which were well received by the people who attended. We plan to extend the invitation to the wider community via GP surgeries.

It has continued to be a joy to offer home communion. Members of the team regularly share communion with several of our congregation who find it difficult to come to church.

The Pastoral Team operates under the guidance of Revd Jim Findlay and is led by Jenny Powell and Susan Nightingale. Other members are:-

Daniel Austin, Ruth Dodgson, Mags Findlay, Valerie Lodge, Keith Maby, Sue Maby, Jean Moores, Gill Schiel, Debbie Staple, Julie Renton, Kathy Blake and Tracy Reid.

The team has met termly and has benefitted from training by Sharon Prior on dealing with Loneliness and Social Isolation. Drawing from the experiences from a variety of sources we looked at the subject of dementia and we also reviewed the Pastoral Care Handbook and the associated paperwork.

It may be that you would appreciate support or someone to pray with or for you. Whatever your need, the pastoral team at St Paul's is here to help you. In a church of our size, we cannot know all the pastoral needs unless we are told! If you are concerned about someone else, please ensure that person is agreeable to you approaching us and sharing information.

All matters will be dealt with confidentially (subject to safeguarding protocol). We may not have all the answers but we hope to be able to guide you to appropriate resources where necessary.

If you would appreciate pastoral support, please contact in the first instance, Jenny Powell or Susan Nightingale or speak to Pippa in the church office, who will pass on your request:- tel 01202 525525

Jenny Powell/Susan Nightingale

CHILDREN AND YOUTH WORK

Sunday Network

We try to start our sessions with a warmup, which is accompanied by music and a lot of silly dancing about and acting silly. These are all just to get the children in a good mood, giving them a run around to burn off energy and getting them ready for the session.

We then do a worship song together - I noticed throughout the year as this has become a norm, the children join in a lot more with the actions and there aren't many at all, if any, that don't join in. We also watch a video to do with the story we are focusing on that week, usually using Saddleback Kids videos. This is because we are aware that different people learn and take in information in different ways.

After that we break into our groups to look into the passage in an age-appropriate study. These usually include a game, re-telling of the story, often with acting, a craft and prayer activity to help reinforce the message that we are trying to convey as well as something to take home to prompt discussion around the dinner table with the rest of the family.

Each month we look at a different theme - we try to alternate between the Old and New Testament. Recently we have looked at things like: Parables of Jesus, Jesus ministry, The kingdom of Israel, People Jesus met & Unwrapping Christmas.

I want to say a big thank you to all our volunteers without whom Sunday Network could not run. They show such enthusiasm and love for the children and their faith. These volunteers include: Jan, Averil, Clare, Charmaine, Simone, Julie, Ali, Hollie and Jack. We could always do with more help though so please be praying and asking God if this is something He wants you to be involved with as well as praying for the spiritual growth of the children.

Connections

Our Connections group meets on a Sunday morning and on a Thursday afternoon. The theme we have been looking at since September is 'Mile Markers'. There are some very important key moments in the Bible and looking at these moments can help us understand the whole story. We have been taking these key moments in order to help the young people understand where these moments come in the grand scheme of God's plan. We have introduced God and Abraham, looked at the Israelites escape from Egypt, seen Joshua become a new leader for Israel and how he lead them into the Promised Land, we have seen the judges and how Ruth lead to David and what kind of King he was, Solomon build the temple and that lasted until God's people were defeated and exiled. We have also seen what happened after the exile and we are just about to start looking at the New Testament and how it ties into what has already happened.

The group has grown and so now on a Thursday evening we split into two groups for the teaching and games aspect of the evening. When teaching the Bible we find it important to make it as practical as possible. This includes games that are tailored to the message we are trying to give, as well as getting them to physically open the Bible so that we can read the word of God together. While one group is studying the other is playing games, some of the favourites are Decaball, Dodgeball, Assassins, Social Rule and Ninja.

I want to say thank you to Joanna, Emily, Olivia-Jane and Izzy who have been leading the group this year. Please pray that God would reveal Himself to these young people as they come to the group and that they would continue to feel it is a place where they can invite their friends to. Also for volunteers.

ID

ID is on a Sunday evening for our 14-18's - this group is a very relaxed group. As we often meet and first have a drink and food before playing games. These can be ones where we sit around or we can end up running around the whole building (since we are the only group in), especially in the summer where we can go outside as well.

This academic year we have been looking at 'Hidden Heroes'. There are lots of people mentioned in the Bible. Some are very well known (Moses, Noah & Jesus' mother Mary) while others only appear briefly or aren't focussed on as much, but make a big impact. These are the people we have been looking at. Examples of this are: Josiah who was king at the age of 8, Ruth who was a loyal friend, Mary Magdalene who was the first to see Jesus after his resurrection, Bezalel who was gifted by God to create the Tabernacle and Ark of the Covenant, Tabitha who helped the poor and made a big impact on her community, and more.

Thank you to Izzy, Emily, Olivia-Jayne and Ben for your help with this group. It is a wonderful group and one full of laughs. Please pray for the group that their faith would be strengthened and that they would understand the gifts that God has given them and how they can use them for His kingdom and that the group would grow.

Mentoring

This is not compulsory but I have found it to be the most fruitful of all our ministries. We currently have 5 young people being mentored, by myself and our Moorlands students. This is a chance for our young people to get to know a leader on a weekly basis.

We are able to get to know one another, build trust and encourage the young people to know that another adult outside of family is praying for them and there to talk whenever they want. Each young person is different and so we are able to tailor our mentoring sessions to suit that person. The whole hour is different. Some young people like to just talk; others like playing games. Whatever they are into, we accommodate that and build up a joint interest.

Studying the Bible is also built for the person. It all depends on where they are in their faith, what part of the Bible they are interested in, whether they have questions or passages they want to look at. With some we are doing an overview of the Bible and currently in Psalms. Another has wanted to go through questions they had when doing their own personal reading.

Please pray for all the mentors and mentees. It has been wonderful getting to know the young people on a personal level and we want that to continue. Some have been encouraged and trained to take up new roles such as leading others - please pray that continues. We would love to mentor other young people and there is a bit of a waiting list - if this is something you feel called to, please let me know.

Schools work

We are in TBOWA on a weekly basis running a lunch club with PACE called 'Big Questions'. We also get the chance to teach some lessons on 'Who Jesus is' and we have had a termly slot to lead collective worship. We were able to do a Christmas assembly, an assembly on God and science, and one on refugees. We try to make the assemblies as interesting as possible, so we have had teachers dressed as Santa, cooked 'facon' (fake bacon) and served four young people - this was to do with God and science and how they don't have to be opposed but just answer different questions. We asked the young people why the facon was cooking - there were two possible answers. We could have looked at how the gas ignited and caused fire that caused the metal frying pan to heat up etc. or the other answer is because we wanted to feed some people.

With Epiphany School we run a Christian union on a lunch time and have led some collective worships. I recently did one on the boy Jesus lost at the temple. Two days later we had the year 3's & 4's come to St. Paul's for a Christingle service. One child commented that all the people that come into school are here, since Andy, Jim, Ian and myself are often in the school. A big thank you to Julie for her help with the Christian Union.

Each week I get to run an assembly at Barbara Rose. The children seem to really enjoy acting out the story. We have looked recently at some of Jesus' parables.

Recently I was invited in to BSG to the Christian Union to answer questions. Hopefully this will become a regular thing.

Please pray, thanking God for the doors that have opened into schools. May these continue and we see children and young people understanding the gospel and starting a relationship with God.

Events

This last year we have had three main events - a holiday club, light party and nativity. These have been a great way of inviting people in from the community as well as our own church families.

The holiday club was looking at 'Who is Jesus' through the theme of 'Guess Who'. We had lots of upfront fun as well as practical things to do in groups such as team competitions as well as crafts, and thinking about who Jesus is and what He did for us.

The light party was an alternative to Halloween. It was well attended with games, crafts, food and up front activities that were messy. It is really good to be able to open this up to children so that we can share the word of God in a friendly and fun way. The volunteers were brilliant whether running groups or setting up the lounge to become a carnival. The young people took on this challenge and did it better than I would have made it.

The nativity was a big community event with the whole building being turned into an interactive Bethlehem village, along with a performance put on by the children from our church. People from the community as well as our congregation could come and watch, experience and hear about the gift of Jesus at Christmas time. We also had a Christingle.

As always none of these could run without a lot of help from the people of the church; thank you to everyone who helped in all of these. Please be praying that the next events would go as well as these did and that we would see some families who come to the events interested in other things we do at St. Paul's on a regular basis.

We also had Youth Alpha alongside regular Alpha, but see Jim's report for more details.

Nathan Bendell

WORSHIP SERVICES

2023 has been a much more settled year as the lockdowns and the pandemic recede into the past. Those events have left an impact upon us in as much as we continue to live stream and maintain a provision of services and sermons on Facebook, our own website and on YouTube. I believe the numbers using that provision has shrunk considerably, but they are proving to be a helpful 'shop window' for St. Paul's. By far and away the best 'shop window', however, is our provision of worship and teaching across the week at our church building. We offer a variety of services and approaches including Breakfast Church, Sofa Sunday, Sunday Live, Holy Communion and our more regular offering of Morning and Evening Praise. I wholeheartedly believe that what is offered is excellent and that we are blessed with a superb ministry team, to whom I am extremely grateful.

Our journey with technical back-up in 2023 is still dependent upon a small number of servant hearted people who make it work each week. There are, no doubt, technical challenges to be regularly overcome, but again, I'd like to pay tribute to David James, Ian Tyrrell, David Penfold and Andy Renton who are carrying that responsibility. A particular challenge across 2023 was the death of our projector and a period with no central screen. David James, Stephen Lodge and Gordon Cox helped install the new screen, which is already benefiting the congregation. Please take time to encourage the technical team for the incredible work that they do. We're all quick to notice when something doesn't work, but let's be quicker to thank them for the immense work they do! That's true of those who support us with the sound system too. Ian Tyrrell, Stephen Lodge, Andy Renton, and Nathaniel Smith hold that fort each week. Again, it's not always straightforward and yet they maintain our worship with what they do. Huge thanks go to them and I'd encourage you to encourage them!

There's a new pattern to our corporate prayer life too. We have Prayer meetings at 9am on a Monday morning, 5pm on a Tuesday evening as well as at 7.30am on a Wednesday morning. They each contribute something valuable to our rhythm of prayer, holding us and our ministries before the Lord. They are special times. They are very simple, and they only last for half an hour. If you haven't come yet, please try to prioritise these opportunities for corporate prayer and come and be blessed with others in prayer.

2023 saw a change in the role of Director of Music and having someone in that role continues to bless our fellowship. Ian and Amy Price have stepped into that role (after advertising, application and interview) and they have continued to embed a culture of team and rehearsal amongst the musicians, they're creating opportunities to recruit new musicians into the fold and continue to encourage a balanced approach to our music that includes and values the familiar but also introduces us to the new. I know that they have had a positive impact on the team since taking over and we are seeing the fruit of their work in our services with a more integrated approach between music, liturgy and prayer. The 'Sing for Joy' community choir is stronger than ever and growing in confidence. This is the result of Amy taking up the reins from Abi and helping them all to develop and grow. Please take time to speak to our musicians and singers at the end of a service. There's a lot of work that sits behind what we see each week!

Personally, it's a great joy to worship together each Sunday. It's a huge encouragement to see our Sunday Evening services grow in number of worshippers too (around 30 each week!). These evening services are special – if you haven't been along yet, make it a priority!

Revd Jim Findlay

GRAPEVINE

Grapevine continued through 2023 with around 15-20 people joining us on the first and third Thursday of the month. We have been gathering together firstly for fellowship over a cuppa and cake, supported by the Café team. We have then moved into the worship area for a variety of talks and activities over the year. These have included: Quizzes, hearing about Marion and Ian's travels in the Orkneys, two fascinating talks by Mary Graham on Bournemouth Sanitorium and Doctors of Note in History, a Springtime Songs of Praise, Coronation celebrations, hearing about Katie's journey to curacy, Nathan's work with the youth, Sue's Desert Island Discs, making Christmas decorations with Carole and meals out at Harry Ramsden's and The Lynton Court. As in the previous year we have also included a gospel thought for the day at the start of our sessions.

The group has been a great place for friendship, laughter and joy as well as support for one another throughout the year and we have been pleased to welcome some new faces during the year.

Support for the work of TESS in Northern Uganda continued during the year, with donations totalling £300. These donations were transferred to the bank account of Teso Educational Support Services and acknowledged by the UK Manageress, Ruth Dorrell. However, In December 2023, an email with the following surprise news was received:

'The time has come to close one chapter and make way for another. TESS will be closing as a UK registered charity at the end of March 2024. TESS was founded as a sponsorship programme to support young people in Teso to go to school; hundreds of young people have benefitted who would not otherwise have continued in education. The lives they have now built for themselves are truly impressive and their commitment to giving back to the community that supported them is inspiring. With the closure of our core programme, we have decided to close as a charity and make space for the community in Teso and the alumni of TESS to now take the reins in determining the best path for the continued support of young people in the region.'

Therefore, this brings to an end an amazing partnership between St Paul's Church Grapevine Group and TESS, set up by Jean and Paul Moores many years ago, to support this wonderful overseas charity working in Uganda. It has been a privilege to continue this link on Jean's behalf.

Our small team (Marion and Ian Harrison, Carole and Andrew Sirmulis, and Sue Coleman, as well as Katie Hodkinson in the autumn term) have worked hard to facilitate this group this year and we are grateful to the wider ministry team too for their support at short notice on occasions.

As Sue is moving on in 2024 Jim and Katie met with those attending Grapevine in September to consider the future ministry of Grapevine and what those present wanted most from the group. Since Covid many have missed the focus of eating with one another, and it was felt that there was a preference to focus on fellowship and eating with one another. With this in mind, there will be a change to this provision in 2024, to providing a weekly opportunity (during term time) on a Tuesday to gather together for lunch and fellowship, from 12-2pm, called 'Branching Out'. Grapevine has been a source of friendship, encouragement and blessing to so many over the years and we hope that this development in the ministry will ensure that it continues to be so for all who attend.

Sue Coleman

CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR

My week-to-week office duties include all the usual paperwork for the Diocese and record offices to deal with and the key communications, rotas and invoices.

Co-ordinating the use of the church building has become an even larger part of my role as St Paul's gets busier and busier (which is great!). We now regularly host a wide variety of events from the tri-weekly Community Café, to pilates, choir, childminder meetups, PACE meetings and larger events/bookings for things like Police Commissioner Elections (May 2023), entertainment (like Bournemouth Youth Marching Band), Barbara Rose Pre-school fundraisers and events; photographers, Services, graduations and fun days and additional users such as Alpha Away Days. Also coordinating off-site activities like the Church Camp.

And then there is all the fun stuff; like risk assessments, stationery orders, coffee and housekeeping supplies and making sure the diary is kept up to date!

I've continued to produce bi-monthly newsletters, the weekly update sheet, morning and evening service sheets, key adverts and posters for events, updated our Facebook page and published social media campaigns for big events like our amazing 'Journey through Bethlehem' on Christmas Eve.

Alongside Jim, I continued to communicate with Tom, our website host and designer to make sure all the resources you need are available online so you can keep up to date with news, access our Online Church and online Calendar of events.

I have continued to organise and coordinate with local charities including Bournemouth Food Bank (The Trussell Trust) and Citygate Church for their Harvest and Christmas Hamper appeals, as well as the Christmas Toy Appeal from the Salvation Army.

2024 will be a busy year with 40:40:40 events to plan and organise and I'm already full of ideas! It's great to be able to plan ways to bring our church family together and invite our community to join us.

I do, as always, feel blessed to be part of this amazing Church Family! x

Pippa Fisher

MUSIC

We were sad to say goodbye to Abi Yelland-Brown as Director of Music in the summer and want to say a huge thank you to her for all that she did both during and immediately after the pandemic to encourage and grow the worship at St Pauls. She and Michael are greatly missed in the music group. We feel privileged to be trusted with taking on this role and are grateful for the groundwork that has already been done, which has made the transition very easy.

St Paul's is blessed to have a fantastic team of talented and creative musicians who are willing to serve God through their role in the worship team and we are pleased that this team is continuing to grow. We have spent time this year considering our role as lead worshippers and how we can better lead the congregation in sung worship as well as considering and rehearsing new material.

"Sing for Joy", the community choir, continues to grow steadily – averaging around 22 people per week - and they are an incredible bunch of enthusiastic and dedicated singers, both from within the church family and the wider community. Our Tuesday rehearsals are a lot of fun, with plenty of hard work and a very eclectic mix of music. A highlight of the year was performing three songs at the carol service. The choir performed fantastically and were very well received. We were also grateful for the opportunity to sing at FestivePoint at Castlepoint over the Christmas period and spread the good news that the birth of Jesus brings to the local community through our songs. This is something we hope to develop further next Christmas.

Our prayer is that as a music team we can encourage people to grow closer to God through our ministry, and that we can ensure that whatever we do points people to Jesus.

Amy and Ian Price*, Director of Music*

HOME GROUPS

St Paul's currently has 7 home groups that serve 70+ members of the church. Sometimes these groups are called "Growth Groups", sometimes "Home Groups", sometimes "Bible Study Groups" (mostly depending on when the group was established, and where the group meets!) - but they all have one thing in common - God's family meets together, studies His Word, prays together, and grows together in discipleship.

At a recent meeting of home group leaders we discussed creating a central list of resources being used across the groups, and having the ability to leave a bit of a review of the resources when they had been used by a group (kind of like "check-a-trade" - but for Bible studies!) - so I will be looking at creating something like that over the next few weeks.

I am aware that there is a need for more groups to be established (there's a bit of a waiting list!) - but what is especially needed is for people who are willing to lead / facilitate those groups. If you feel that God may be prompting you in this area, please do come and speak to me, or Jim so we can explore that with you.

God bless, Revd Chris Dodgson

BARBARA ROSE CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL

Proverbs 3:5-6

Trust in the Lord with all your heart
and lean not on your own understanding;
in all your ways submit to him,
and he will make your paths straight

During the 2022-23 year, the Setting continued to move away from 'The Covid Era' and entered a more stable period, but absences due to Covid and other illness are still impacting staffing. As usual staff have worked together to fill the gaps and have given extra time to help maintain the efficient running of the setting.

The end of the year party with 'graduation' was a great success and those moving to other schools were well prepared as usual.

Christian content continues on a regular basis supplemented with visits from Nathan our Youth and Children's Minister.

Managing the pre-school on the poor funding provided by the Local Authority continues to be challenging. Aly as usual has done a great job with budgets and forecasts. Laura and 'Friends of Barbara Rose' were able to raise some extra funds this year as the newly upgraded garden was vandalised, but these funds together with help from the community led to a quick restoration.

Projections for 2023-24 year will yet again require a large increase in donations or other fees just to cover even higher employment costs. That being said, our staff are still totally underpaid compared to other areas of education, thanks to inadequate funding. The New Government Provision of Care for all 2-year-olds will also impact as Local Authority payments do not cover the real costs for that age group.

Finally, thanks to Emma (our manager), our great staff and all the Trustees for keeping Barbara Rose one of the most sought-after Pre-Schools in the area.

John Coward - Chairman of Trustees

ALPHA

Our course started on Monday 2nd October and ran for 9 consecutive Monday nights. It was an exciting and dynamic course that covered the following Alpha Course themes: Is there more to life than this? Who is Jesus? Why did Jesus die? How can we have faith? Why and how do I pray? How Does God Guide Us? Why and how do I read the Bible? Why and how should I tell others? What about Church?

We also held an Alpha 'away day' that took place in the church, so we didn't really go away! Across that day we covered teaching on the person and work of the Holy Spirit.

Each week we presented the material via talks given by members of the team rather than utilising the Alpha video resources. Thanks go to Chris Dodgson, Ben Coulter, Katie Hodkinson, Susan Nightingale, and Sue Coleman for making that possible, providing excellent input. As well as their contributions we also heard testimonies each week of how the Lord had impacted the lives of the team. We heard a series of very moving and powerful testimonies from: Claire Saunders, Julie Renton, Ben Coulter, Chris Dodgson, David James, Sue Coleman, Susan Nightingale, Shane Tripp and Katie Hodkinson.

A very exciting development in our Alpha provision this year was to run the adult course alongside the 'Youth Alpha' course. We had 14 youngsters faithfully attend the whole course and we enjoyed the dynamic of the youth table at the meal times each week. This group was led by Nathan (our Youth and Children's Minister) alongside our Moorlands students (Emily and Olivia Jane).

An Alpha course cannot run effectively without people to provide the meals. Our brand-new kitchen came into its own for the Alpha course as it was expertly used by some very accomplished chefs! This course would not be viable without the generous work of these people: Esther Ferguson, Debbie Staple and Despina Tsirpa, Paul & Anna Reidy, Chris Dodgson, Martin & Kathy Blake, Ian & Sue Tyrell, Trish & Daniel Austin and another bloke who made cottage pie!

Our numbers of participants were encouraging, though a challenge to the caterers! The youth table had 14 participants plus three leaders. There were three adult tables that seated 12 people, three of whom were table leaders, and the others were participants. We were catering for just over 50 people each week. It was a joy to hear the buzz of conversation each week and tackle the questions that were raised. It was also a joy to get to know each other.

The outcomes of the course were also encouraging. Some people have come to faith, while others have had their faith renewed. All benefited from growing in their understanding of what the Christian faith is all about. In due course we'll hear testimonies from those who took part, and you'll hopefully hear first-hand from those who came, took part and were changed.

It was a huge team effort, and it was a joy! It's a big ask for a church to do this on an annual basis, but I'm already looking forward to Alpha 2024. Don't miss out on this exciting missional opportunity – get involved and see the Lord change people as they discover the reality of who He is!

Revd Jim Findlay

COMMUNITY CAFE

The cafe has continued to enjoy regular sessions and having the new kitchen up and running has been an enormous help, in spite of some teething problems especially with the dishwasher!

In the summer holidays we offered Ploughman's lunches, mainly on a pre-order basis, and these were very popular. We had families in the cafe too, and Ros did a wonderful job organising these lunches.

Leading up to Christmas we provided turkey rolls, “pigs in blankets” and brie & cranberry rolls for the non-meat variation. Also on offer was the usual Christmas fayre including home made mince pies and a beautiful Christmas cake.

Several cafe volunteers completed their Hygiene certification at level 2 and 3 in preparation for the cafe to be registered. We also put other measures in place and filled in the application for registration. This will mean that we can legitimately publicise more widely to encourage members of the local community to come in.

A new initiative for 2024 is “Branching Out” which will be held every Tuesday for anyone who would like to have some company over a light lunch between 12 and 2pm.

We are always ready to welcome any new volunteers who would like to help in the cafe.

Our opening times are:

Tuesday 8.45am - 12 noon
Wednesday 1.30pm - 4pm
Thursday 8.45am - 12 noon

Grateful thanks to all who have contributed to making the cafe a success. May we be a beacon of light and love which draws people to Jesus.

Heather Faulkner-Williams

BOURNEMOUTH RECYCLE FOOD SURPLUS DISTRIBUTION

An important moment in the life of St Paul’s church in 2023 was the summer afternoon that Sharon, the leader of Bournemouth Recycle (a local environmental group), dropped into St Paul’s and asked if it would be possible for them to use the St Paul’s building for their weekly food surplus distribution project. This project, which we now host at St Paul’s, is run by a group of Bournemouth Recycle (BR) volunteers who pick up food surplus (that would otherwise be thrown away) from supermarkets and wholesalers in the local area and distribute it out to the public three times a week (on Wednesday, Thursday, and Sunday evenings).

Believing this project to align with our calling as a church to care for the environment and to care for our neighbour—as well as opening opportunities for our witness—we set up a trial period in August for this new partnership to see whether it would work. Following some leafleting, we did receive some strong complaints about this new initiative from one particular neighbour, but we were able to respond to his concerns and he has since refrained from complaining about the project. In retrospect, his complaint was very helpful in setting an appropriately high bar for keeping noise and traffic disruption from the project to a minimum, and a peaceful atmosphere around the distribution has been maintained since the project began.

This cordial atmosphere has also helped quieten an initial worry about the clash of this project with the evening service on Sunday evenings. If anything, I think there has been a general appreciation of this overlap—those gathering to distribute or pick up food are a reminder to those gathering to worship of our local community among whom we serve the LORD and the concrete nature of what it means to care for God's good creation, and those gathering to worship are a witness to those who gather to pick up or distribute food surplus of the LORD that we worship and serve at St Paul's church. I am confident that such an overlap is a space within which the Spirit will continue to be at work as we pray for the light of Jesus to shine in this place.

The trial period of this partnership was in this way successful and the initiative was unanimously approved by PCC, with the requirement that an infrastructure should be put in place for St Paul's ministry. In the last months since we started, the project has continued with great success, with a regular 30-60 people coming to pick up food on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Sundays. This means that out of St Paul's we have literally tons of food and other goods that would otherwise be thrown away being given to the local community every week, enabling these people to save money on a weekly basis, and providing a space in which local relationships and friendships can be fostered and strengthened. Such relationships include the relationship with the café team, who receive surplus rolls for the weekly café (thank you Kathy Blake for facilitating this!), as well as the youth group who receive a fairly regular supply of fizzy pop!

There have been some bumps on the way, especially with moments of misunderstanding about food that was being kept by BR for future distributions, as well as navigating the Christmas period, a particularly busy period for both St Paul's church and the distribution project. I also remain conscious of the potential slipping of standards of noise and traffic disruption for our neighbours, although we haven't received any formal complaints on this front. We have come through these bumps with a good relationship with BR well intact, with clearer boundaries and understanding about this working relationship, and with a lockable storage cupboard for the use of BR!

In virtue of the efficiency of the BR team in their distribution work, as well as some of the misunderstandings over the last few months, it has been clear to me that a steady, sensitive, and relational approach to St Paul's ministry in and through the food distribution is the way forward, rather than a more programmatic one. We now have a WhatsApp group of those from St Paul's who help with the food distribution or regularly pick up food, with the aim of keeping a regular St Paul's presence at the distribution and building relationships with both BR volunteers and those in the queue. We pray simply that God would be at work in and through these relationships, and that we would have opportunity to share the reason for the hope that we have in Jesus with gentleness and respect.

There is a lot of room for development with this project and this partnership with Bournemouth Recycle in the months and years to come, but 2023 will always be the year in which we got the ball rolling! And for this alone, I am grateful.

Revd Ben Coulter

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PAULS, THROOP, BOU

England & Wales - Charity number 1131699

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ANNUAL REPORT

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

OF THE

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

Incumbent:
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ST PAUL'S CHURCH, THROOP

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2022

Administrative Information

St Paul's Church is situated in Landford Way, Throop, Bournemouth. It is part of the Diocese of Winchester within the Church of England. The correspondence address is St Paul's Vicarage, Chesildene Avenue, Bournemouth, BH8 0AZ

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a charity registered with the Charity Commission. Our Charity Number is 1131699.

The PCC complies with the duties under Section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (to have regard to the House of Bishops' guidance on Safeguarding children and vulnerable adults).

The PCC complies with the Law contained in the General Data Protection Regulations and the Data Protection Act 2018.

PCC members who have served from 1 January 2022 until the date this report was approved are:

Incumbent:	Revd James Findlay	
Clergy:	Revd Ben Coulter (ex-officio) Revd Chris Dodgson (ex-officio)	
Wardens:	Jenny Powell Ian Tyrrell	
Treasurer:	Elizabeth Henderson	
PCC Treasury Liaison Officer:	Revd Chris Dodgson	
Deanery Synod Representatives:	Andy Saunders	Gill Schiel
PCC Elected Members:	David James Gill Schiel Angela Capp Claire Saunders Kerry Lawford	Claire Saunders Averil Bowyer Andy Renton Ali Watts Michael Yelland-Brown

Structure, governance and management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

All PCC Members are required to undergo Safeguarding Training to Level C1 and must have a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) Check.

Objectives and Activities

St. Paul's PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It also has the maintenance responsibilities for the church premises of St. Paul's Throop.

The PCC also operates with a number of sub-committees who meet on a regular basis and submit minutes to the PCC for approval. The members of these sub-committees for 2022 are:

PCC Sub-Groups 2022

Standing Committee
Revd Jim Findlay (Priest-in-Charge), Jenny Powell & Ian Tyrrell (Church Wardens), Gill Schiel and Claire Saunders.

Fabric and Maintenance
Ian Tyrrell, Peter Adams, Martin Blake, Gordon Cox

Safeguarding Officer
Jim Page

Data Protection Officer
Chris Dodgson

Church Attendance:
There were 120 Parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll, at the end of 2022 of which 45 were resident in the Parish.

Average Sunday morning attendance for 2022 when attended in person was 30 under 16 years of age and 115 over 16 years.

PCC Review of the Year

The PCC met 6 times during 2022 with the addition of a Vision Day in place of the October PCC meeting. The PCC was pleased to welcome the following new members in 2022: –
Michael Yelland-Brown and Kerry Lawford

The PCC was pleased to support Bournemouth Foodbank with our Harvest donations this year.

The Deanery Synod Representatives reported to the PCC on the workings of the Synod.

In January, the Standing Committee agreed to a 3% increase in staff salaries.

At the January PCC meeting, approval was given to the purchase of a new computer to continue live streaming services. A defibrillator was purchased and sited on the exterior front wall. A possible merger with Holy Epiphany was discussed. Approval was given to continue for a further 3 years with our existing Mission Partners and discussion was held on Living in Love and Faith.

In February, the Standing Committee approved Barbara Rose Pre-School redeveloping a part of St Paul's Church garden at their expense.

In March, the PCC approved the statutory annual report and the 2022 budget. They also agreed to asking the Diocese to move forward to the consultation phase with regard to a merger with Holy Epiphany. With regard to Living in Love and Faith, PCC members approved moving forward with the stance that 'the traditional position is maintained but those holding to that position listen to and walk with those who live differently'. A faculty had been submitted for the kitchen redevelopment.

At the May PCC meeting, Church Officers were appointed and approved and electoral roll additions approved. Approval of fund transfers were given as well as approval of the quarterly accounts. A welcome for the new curates was discussed. Use of the building by the Charity Sewing Group was approved and approval was given in relation to the purchase of an external noticeboard.

In June, Nathan Bendell gave an update to the PCC on youth and children's work at St Paul's. Approval for Ian Tyrrell's application to become a Foundation Governor at Epiphany School was given. Feedback was offered regarding the Jubilee Jamboree event - it was agreed that a budget would be set for any future events to ensure costs are well managed. Photocopying charges were discussed. It was agreed that we would enter into a further 5 year contract for Sewerage and Water as the provider offered the same price for another 5 years. Purchase of 4 Family Edition Good News Bible's were approved for a Bible reading project for families.

In August, the Standing Committee approved purchase of a bouncy castle and trailer.

At the September PCC meeting, there was a discussion regarding the potential merger with Holy Epiphany and it was agreed that we would want one parish with two churches....one PCC but 2 worship sites, with church individuality and traditions respected. The Hope into Action house was discussed and it was agreed that the remaining money of the year's Mission Tithe become a designated pot of money for items needed for the house going forward. It was agreed that the 20th Oct PCC meeting be cancelled but that a Vision Day be held on Sat 15 Oct. Subject to a clarification, Simon Collinson's quote for the kitchen redevelopment was approved. An Alpha course held in the new year was approved. John Roper was approved as Independent Examiner.

In November, the idea of a Social Media strategy was discussed at the PCC meeting. The Mission Action Plan collated as a result of the Vision Day was approved. Due to obstacles, the PCC endorsed 'pressing pause' on the merger with Holy Epiphany. Increased rental costs for building hire as well as photocopy charges and cafe charges were approved. Due to the increase in utility costs, approval was given to pay an energy consultant to review alternative options. A one-off Cost of Living payment was authorised for employees. It was agreed that a rent increase be negotiated with Barbara Rose. Purchase of a new office computer approved.

The Annual Report was drawn up by Mrs Kerry Lawford, PCC Secretary and approved by the PCC of St Paul's Throop on

16/03/2023

and signed on its behalf by Rev James Findlay (PCC Chair)

Financial Review 2022

The total income for the year ended 31 December 2022 across all Funds was £201,796 [2021: £133,196]. Planned Giving and freewill offertory increased by over 10% compared with 2021, mainly as a result of pledges fulfilled in response to the Gift Day, which itself also raised £2,520 in one-off donations. The PCC gives thanks to the Lord for the generosity of our church family. Pledges received for the Children & Youth Minister Fund amounted to £14,832 [2021: £15,565] and the PCC also gives grateful thanks to the Joseph Rank Trust for their award of a £30,000 Grant over three years: these funds have secured the position of our Children & Youth Minister for a further three years from 2022 to 2025.

The PCC also gives thanks for the amazing generosity of a specific donation during 2022 to finance the expansion and complete refurbishment of the church's main kitchen, which has facilitated an enhanced and ongoing Community Café provision. Committed and sacrificial giving additionally enabled us to bless the local community with a garden party during the late Queen's Platinum Jubilee; improve the church heating system; and transform the church into Bethlehem for the 2022 Nativity interactive service.

Resources expended amounted to £212,088 [2021: £167,681] including the new kitchen project financed by specific donation, and including expenditure financed by the capital balance on the Development Fund. Net incoming resources for the year generated a total deficit of £(10,292) [2021 deficit: £(34,485)].

2022 was an exciting year for our finances and the way in which we were able to serve the Lord through our financial activities, for which the PCC acknowledges with gratitude the servant-hearted giving of our church family in terms of talents, time, and money. 2023 will be a challenging year as we struggle with the massive rise in our energy costs, coupled with the general rising costs of consumables across the board, from office supplies to coffee. We trust in God's unfailing goodness to guide us through and to equip us financially to continue our mission to Love Like Jesus, Live Like Jesus, and Lead to Jesus.

It is PCC policy to endeavour to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds which equates to at least three months unrestricted payments, which is equivalent to £31,000. This is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies. The cash balance of £52,917 held on unrestricted (including designated) funds at the year end, together with the amounts payable to and by the PCC, was significantly in excess of this target.

The PCC has sufficient reserves, organised into general funds, designated, and restricted funds, as described in Note 6 to the Accounts. The Trustees have assessed and consider that the PCC can continue its operations and meet its liabilities as they fall due for at least the next twelve months.

Responsibilities of the members of the PCC in relation to the Accounts

The PCC is responsible for all parish finance, its management and control, including the appointment of a Treasurer. Its legal responsibilities include:

- Keeping proper accounting records, which are sufficient to show and explain all the PCC's transactions and must include a record of all relevant assets and liabilities. The records must:
  - show and explain all the PCC's transactions;
  - disclose the PCC's financial position at any time;
  - enable the required accounts to be prepared;
  - show on a day-to-day basis all receipts and payments and what they were for;
  - include a record of all assets and liabilities.
- Ensuring that the finances of the PCC are under its control and only delegated if the PCC can ensure that its wishes will be followed.
- Preparing annual accounts and a report, which shall be presented to the Annual Parochial Church Meeting in accordance with the requirements of the Church Representation Rules.
- Arranging for an independent examination of the Accounts.

Approved by the PCC and signed on its behalf by:

E Henderson

Dated: 16 March 2023

Elizabeth Henderson: Treasurer

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

[redacted]

Report to the trustees/ members of	St Paul's PCC Bournemouth		
On accounts for the year ended	31 December 2022	**Charity no**	1131699
Set out on pages	A3 to A12		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

Signed:	*J Roper*	**Date:**	*02 March 2023*
Name:	John Roper		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	ACMA, CGMA, MCICM		
Address:	26 Pine Drive, St Ives		
	Ringwood, Hampshire		
	BH24 2LN		

Statement of Financial Activities
For the year ended 31 December 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Incoming resources						
Donations and legacies		113,144	45,935	28,420	187,499	122,206
Income from charitable activities		4,479			4,479	1,013
Other trading activities		9,747			9,747	9,958
Investment income			50	21	71	19
Total incoming resources	2	127,370	45,985	28,441	201,796	133,196
Resources expended						
Expenditure on charitable activities		123,257	64,148	24,683	212,088	167,681
Total resources expended	3	123,257	64,148	24,683	212,088	167,681
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers		4,113	(18,163)	3,758	(10,292)	(34,485)
Transfers between funds in/(out)	6b	2,000	(4,000)	2,000	-	-
Net movement in funds		6,113	(22,163)	5,758	(10,292)	(34,485)
Funds at 1 January		9,760	59,207	8,217	77,184	111,669
Funds at 31 December		15,873	37,044	13,975	66,892	77,184
Represented by						
Unrestricted:	General fund	15,873			15,873	9,760
Designated:	Building Fund		6,456		6,456	13,417
	Development Fund		25,207		25,207	38,413
	Reserves Fund		4,485		4,485	6,477
	Vicars Discretionary Fund		896		896	900
Restricted:	Children & Youth Ministry Fund			13,975	13,975	8,217
		15,873	37,044	13,975	66,892	77,184

Balance Sheet
For the year ended 31 December 2022

		Notes	2022 £	2021 £
Current Assets				
Debtors & Prepayments		4	48,849	1,842
Cash at bank			31,018	77,470
			79,867	79,312
Liabilities				
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		5	12,975	2,128
Net Current Assets		7	66,892	77,184
Represented by				
Unrestricted:	General Fund	6b	15,873	9,760
Designated:	Building Fund	6b	6,456	13,417
	Development Fund		25,207	38,413
	Reserves Fund		4,485	6,477
	Vicars Discretionary Fund		896	900
Restricted:	Children & Youth Ministry Fund	6b	13,975	8,217
Total funds			66,892	77,184

Approved for issue by the Parochial Church Council and signed on its behalf by:

James Findlay

Rev James Findlay (Chairman)

E A Henderson

Elizabeth Henderson (Treasurer)

16 March 2023

Dated

Charity Commission Registration no: 1131699

Notes to the accounts

31 December 2022

1. Accounting policies

Basis of financial statements

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

The Accounts have been prepared on the Accruals Basis.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are income funds that are to be spent on the PCC's general purposes.

Designated funds are general funds set aside by the PCC for use in the future. Project funds are designated for particular projects for administration purposes only. Designated funds remain unrestricted and the PCC may move any surplus to other general funds.

Restricted funds comprise revenue donations or grants for a specific PCC activity intended by the donor.

Where these funds have unspent balances, interest on their pooled investment is apportioned to the individual funds on an average balance basis.

Incoming resources

Planned giving, collections and similar donations are generally recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is entitled to the use of the resources, their ultimate receipt is considered reasonably certain, and the amounts due are readily quantifiable. Interest is accounted for as and when received. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

Resources expended

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. The Diocesan Common Mission Fund expected to be paid over is accounted for when due. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Fixed assets

Movable church furnishings held by the vicar and churchwardens on trust for the PCC are listed in the church's inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time).

New fixtures, fittings, and equipment used within the church premises with a purchase cost of £10,000 or more are depreciated on a straight-line basis over each asset's estimated useful life. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of less than £10,000 are written off when the asset is acquired.

Expenditure on replacements and renewals, which do not constitute a new class of asset, is written off in the year of expense.

Notes to the accounts

31 December 2022

2. Incoming resources

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Donations and grants						
	Regular giving: bank	17,692			17,692	16,301
	Regular giving: Parish Giving Scheme	58,077		14	58,091	51,572
	Open Plate (freewill offertory)	6,924			6,924	6,904
	Gift Day	2,520			2,520	-
	Children & Youth Minister Donations			14,832	14,832	15,565
	[a] Single Donations	7,416	45,935		53,351	12,525
	[b] Special Appeals	200			200	-
	Tax recoverable on Gift Aid & GASDS	18,490		3,574	22,064	19,339
	[c] Grants: external	1,825		10,000	11,825	-
Donations and grants Totals		113,144	45,935	28,420	187,499	122,206
Income from charitable activities						
	Parochial Fees	438			438	212
	Book sales to promote objectives	53			53	-
	Little Lambs Income	1,350			1350	345
	[d] Children & Youth Work Income	606			606	128
	Special Events Receipts	1,972			1972	328
	Miscellaneous Income	60			60	-
Income from charitable activities Totals		4,479	-	-	4,479	1,013
Other trading activities						
	[e] Rent & services: Barbara Rose	8,354			8,354	8,128
	Rent: other	1,393			1,393	1,830
Other trading activities Totals		9,747	-	-	9,747	9,958
Investments						
	Bank interest	-	50	21	71	19
Investments Totals		-	50	21	71	19
Income and endowments Grand totals		127,370	45,985	28,441	201,796	133,196

[a] Single donations include a donation of £47,700 given for the specific purpose of extending and refitting the church's main kitchen.

[b] Income from Special Appeals of £200 comprises donations made to fund expenditure on the Hope into Action House.

[c] External Grants of £11,825 comprise: £10,000 received from the Joseph Rank Trust for the Children & Youth Minister Fund, being part of a total grant of £30,000 payable over three years; and an Energy Grant of £1,825 from the Winchester Diocesan Board of Finance to assist with increased energy costs.

[d] Children & Youth Work income comprises mainly contributions paid by the participants in the Youth Weekend Away, the related expenses of which are included in Children & Youth Work Expenses.

[e] The rate of rental charged to the Barbara Rose Christian Preschool did not change and remained at £7,568. The balance of income comprised: amounts reimbursed to the PCC for the Preschool's use of the Toshiba photocopier/printer; and 50% of the costs of carpet cleaning.

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3. Resources expended

Expenditure on charitable activities Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
[a] Mission Tithe 10%	7,488			7,488	7,584
[b] Mission Tithe 2.5%	798			798	2,000
Giving to relief & development agencies	299			299	59
Vicar's Discretionary Fund Disbursements		-		-	350
Common Mission Fund: WDBF	51,826			51,826	54,440
[c] Church salaries	23,934	6,049	24,683	54,666	53,103
Thank you gifts & honoraria	374			374	180
[d] Incumbent's expenses	1,039			1,039	878
Ministry Team & Pastoral Team Expenses	49			49	70
Parish Training, courses, ref books	214			214	628
Children & Youth Work Expenses	1,480			1,480	970
Little Lambs Expenses	187			187	183
Special Events Expenses	1,827			1,827	735
Home Mission & Evangelism	360	14		374	796
Telephone & Broadband	1,371			1,371	893
Admin inc stnry/pstge/pcopier	1,167			1,167	1,120
[e] IT costs & equipment	2,290			2,290	2,312
Subscriptions & Licences	2,698			2,698	2,375
Insurance	1,644			1,644	1,582
[f] Equipment Purchases & Furnishings	672	4,422		5,094	25,044
Fabric & Maintenance	8,358	875		9,233	3,008
Cleaning	397			397	163
Church Garden	-			-	114
Miscellaneous Expenses	24			24	-
Housekeeping Purchases	1,948			1,948	1,101
Governance costs	103			103	39
Bank & card charges	146	5		151	26
[g] Professional Fees: payroll and accounts	1,576			1,576	322
Sunday & other Service Expenses	142			142	493
Electricity	3,608			3,608	2,186
Gas	3,478			3,478	2,285
Water	543			543	511
Commercial Waste charges	1,398			1,398	1,531
Books: cost of books for resale	54			54	-
[h] Church Major Repairs: Installation	1,765	52,783		54,548	600
Expenditure on charitable activities Totals	123,257	64,148	24,683	212,088	167,681

[a] The 10% Mission Tithe totalling 7,488 was disbursed equally between our four Mission Partners: Crosslinks; OMF; Faithworks Wessex; and the PACE Trust.

[b] Exceptionally, the 2.5% Mission Tithe budget was not fully expended during the Year. The total 2.5% Tithe budget was £1,872 which is disbursed by the PCC according to mission priorities. £118 was used to purchase family editions of the Good News Bible; and £679 was spent on the Hope into Action House expenses. The unspent balance from this Tithe budget, totalling £1,075 is intended to be carried forward to 2023 to provide further funds for the Hope into Action House. As the Mission Tithes are not separate Funds, the fulfilment of this intention will be dependent on the PCC's total income in 2023.

[c] PCC members received no remuneration during the year [2021 - £nil].

The salary costs of the Children & Youth Minister are paid from the Children & Youth Ministry Fund; the salary costs of the Church Administrator and the Verger are paid from the General Fund; the salary costs of the Music Director are paid from the Development Fund.

[d] Incumbent's expenses are not related to his office as Chairman of the PCC.

No other members of the PCC were reimbursed for expenses specifically relating to the PCC. Expenses incurred by PCC members unrelated to their services as such are not disclosable.

[e] IT costs & equipment expenses include: technical support for the church website; purchase of a new computer for the vision desk; purchase of a new iMac for the church office.

[f] New items of other equipment purchased include: a defibrillator; external notice board; second-hand bouncy castle; Vicars honours board; and small items of equipment for the new church kitchen.

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3. Resources expended: Notes continued

[g] Professional Fees: payroll and accounts comprise: payroll processing service for 12 months; and a bookkeeping service for 6 months which was terminated in September 2022 with this function reverting back to the volunteer Treasurer.

[h] Church major repairs include: £6,098 expended on a new boiler in the extension which was paid for from the Building Fund; and £47,700 expended on the kitchen extension & refitting, which was funded by the donation gifted specifically for that purpose. The balance of £750 was in respect of a structural survey necessary for the kitchen project which was met from the Development Fund.

4. Debtors & Prepayments

	2022 £	2021 £
General Fund		
HMRC Gift Aid & GASDS recoverable	771	414
Donation for kitchen refurbishment	1,765	-
Other Debtors & Prepayments	235	1,303
	2,771	1,717
Building Fund		
Donation for kitchen refurbishment	6,456	-
	6,456	-
Development Fund		
Donation for kitchen refurbishment	35,000	-
	35,000	-
Reserves Fund		
Donation for kitchen refurbishment	4,479	-
	4,479	-
Children & Youth Ministry Fund		
HMRC Gift Aid recoverable	143	125
	143	125
Totals	**48,849**	**1,842**

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5. Creditors & Accruals: amounts falling due within one year

	2022 £	2021 £
General Fund		
HMRC: PAYE/NIC due month ended December [2022 paid in month]	-	168
NEST: pensions contributions month ended December [2022 paid in month]	-	50
Other Creditors & Accruals	2,833	1,281
	2,833	1,499
Development Fund		
HMRC: PAYE/NIC due month ended December [2022 paid in month]	-	5
Home Refurb: kitchen refurbishment final payment	10,000	-
	10,000	5
Children & Youth Ministry Fund		
HMRC: PAYE/NIC due month ended December [2022 paid in month]	-	353
NEST: pensions contributions month ended December [2022 paid in month]	-	102
	-	455
Agency collections		
Third party agency collections	142	169
	142	169
Totals	**12,975**	**2,128**

6. Funds

a) Fund descriptions

Funds which are held by the PCC for general purposes (and which have not been restricted by the donors) are unrestricted.

The PCC has set aside certain funds (designated funds) for particular projects. These funds may be redesignated by the PCC as necessary.

The PCC's restricted funds comprise donations held for purposes specified by the donors.

Where these funds have unspent balances, interest on their investment is apportioned to the individual funds.

Unrestricted Fund:

The General Fund is not subject to any restrictions regarding its use and is available for application on the general purposes of the PCC

Designated Funds:

The Building Fund is held to meet major expenses on the fabric of the church buildings and grounds.

The Development Fund is assigned for all current development projects of the PCC related to mission development and outreach.

The Reserves Fund is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash-flow and to meet any emergency expenditure.

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6.a) Fund descriptions: continued

The Vicar's Discretionary Fund is assigned for the discretionary use of the Priest in Charge for the alleviation of pastoral need.

Restricted Fund:

The Children & Youth Ministry Fund was established in 2019 and exists to support the salary of a full-time Children & Youth Minister. This fund comprises donations received from within the church family of St Paul's Throop, together with associated Gift Aid repayments where appropriate, and a Grant from the Joseph Rank Trust.

b) Fund details

	Balances at 1 January 2022	Incoming resources	Outgoing resources	Transfers	Balances at 31 December 2022
Unrestricted Funds					
General Fund	9,760	127,370	(123,257)	2,000	15,873
Designated Funds					
Building Fund	13,417	6,468	(13,429)	-	6,456
Development Fund	38,413	35,029	(46,235)	(2,000)	25,207
Reserves Fund	6,477	4,487	(4,479)	(2,000)	4,485
Vicar's Discretionary Fund	900	1	(5)	-	896
	59,207	45,985	(64,148)	(4,000)	37,044
Restricted Funds					
Children & Youth Ministry Fun	8,217	28,441	(24,683)	2,000	13,975
Totals	77,184	201,796	(212,088)	-	66,892

c) Transfers between Funds

		£
Reserves Fund to General Fund	To support cashflow shortfall	2,000
Development Fund to Children & Youth Minister Fund		
To support shortfall on 2019 Year 3 Pledges, before fresh appeal in 2022		2,000

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7. Assets & Liabilities by Fund

	2022 Balance £	2021 Balance £
Unrestricted Funds		
General Fund		
HSBC Current A/C	15,935	9,542
Debtors & Prepayments	2,771	1,717
	18,706	11,259
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	(2,833)	(1,499)
	15,873	9,760
Designated Funds		
Building Fund		
HSBC Deposit A/C	-	13,417
Debtors & Prepayments	6,456	-
	6,456	13,417
Development Fund		
HSBC Deposit A/C	207	38,418
Debtors & prepayments	35,000	-
	35,207	38,418
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	(10,000)	(5)
	25,207	38,413
Reserves Fund		
HSBC Deposit A/C	6	6,477
Debtors & prepayments	4,479	-
	4,485	6,477
Vicar's Discretionary Fund		
HSBC Deposit A/C [2021: Current A/C]	896	900
Restricted Funds		
Children & Youth Ministry Fund		
HSBC Current A/C	-	102
HSBC Deposit A/C	13,832	8,445
Debtors	143	125
	13,975	8,672
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	-	(455)
	13,975	8,217
Agency collection : Restricted		
HSBC Deposit A/C	142	169
Agency collections payable	(142)	(169)
	-	-
Totals all Funds	66,892	77,184

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8. Related Party Transactions

Apart from the reimbursement of expenses, as disclosed in Note 3, and funds received as Agent as shown in Note 9, there were no related party transactions during the year.

9. Funds received as Agent

From time to time the PCC may act as Agent to facilitate collections for third parties. As the PCC does not hold legal title to these collections, such funds are not required to be shown in the Statement of Financial Activities or on the Balance Sheet. During 2022 the following collections/fees on behalf of third parties were banked and duly paid on:

Description	Related Party?	Amount received £	Amount paid out £	Balance held at Year End £
Donations received to support St Paul's Intern	Yes	400.00	400.00	NIL
RBL Poppy Appeal	No	33.76	33.76	NIL
Winchester Diocesan Board of Finance: Parochial Fees [payable quarterly in arrear]	Yes	915.00	773.00	142.00 [Paid to WDBF on 5 January 2023]

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

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ST PAUL'S CHURCH, THROOP

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2021

Administrative Information

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PCC members who have served from 1st January 2021 until the date this report was approved are:

Incumbent:	Revd James Findlay
Wardens:	Jenny Powell Ian Tyrrell
Treasurer:	Elizabeth Henderson
Deanery Synod Representatives:	Andy Saunders Gill Schiel
PCC Elected Members:	David James Jim Page Nigel Rowland Gill Schiel Averil Bowyer Angela Capp Andy Renton Claire Saunders Ali Watts

Structure, governance and management

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PCC Sub-Groups 2021

Standing Committee
Revd Jim Findlay (Priest-in-Charge), Jenny Powell & Ian Tyrrell (Church Wardens), Gill Schiel and Claire Saunders.

Fabric and Maintenance
Ian Tyrrell, Peter Adams, Martin Blake, Gordon Cox

Safeguarding Officer
Jim Page

Data Protection Officer
Chris Dodgson

Church Attendance:
There were 134 Parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll, at the end of 2021 of which 40 were resident in the Parish.

Average Sunday morning attendance for 2021 when attended in person was 28 under 16 years of age and 115 over 16 years._

PCC Review of the Year

The PCC met 7 times during 2021. The PCC was pleased to welcome the following new members in 2021: –

Andy Renton, Averil Bowyer and Ali Watts

The PCC was pleased to support continued participation in the Shoebox Appeal and at Harvest, food donations were given to Bournemouth Foodbank and the BCARS (Bournemouth Churches Alongside Rough Sleepers) projects.

The Deanery Synod Representatives reported to the PCC on the workings of the Synod.

In January, approval was given electronically to suspension of Sunday Services during Lockdown. The Church closed due to Lockdown 3 and increase of Covid infections and it was agreed if Barbara Rose had to close, Gordon would be furloughed. Christianity Explored had taken place. A day of fasting and prayer was held and feedback given to PCC. There was an agreement to top up the Vicar's discretionary fund, to an increase in costs to outsource the payroll, to automation of the invoicing processes and thus payments direct to the church bank accounts and finally to Jim Findlay becoming a training incumbent. PCC were reminded of the need for completion of PCC DBS checks.

In February the Standing Committee agreed to closure of the CCLA account.

In February, the PCC approved holding Easter Services outside in the car park, to set up a Technology Development Sub Group and also to set up a Strategy Group.

In March, the PCC approved the Annual Report and Financial Statements as well as the 2021 budget. The chairs/settees were delivered.

In May, Church Officers were appointed and approved. Deanery Revisions were discussed and PCC members asked for feedback. A Strategy Group document was approved and Emily Dodgson was approved for the Leadership Assistant Programme. Approval for a coffee machine was given and PCC agreed to accept the Diocesan proposal of our CMF 2022 calculation.

In June the Standing Committee agreed to the circulation of strategic priorities to all on electoral roll and to place on the website. Later in June the Standing Committee agreed to the mounting of a cross in each alcove at the front of church and also to putting a large St Paul's logo on the wall adjacent to the cloakroom entrance.

In July, PCC agreed a new structure for future meetings. Members were asked to think about which Strategic Group they would like to be involved in. BT were approved as Broadband provider. A proposal to keep some restrictions following the lifting of Covid restrictions by the government was approved. PCC agreed to purchase 150 stainless steel cups for Holy Communion. Proposal to seek an Eco Church award agreed.

In September the Standing Committee approved a quote for the purchase of curtains for the worship area.

In September, PCC agreed to the purchase of the curtains from the Development Fund, to the purchase of computer using leftover funds from confidential donor and the purchase of a defibrillator was discussed. PCC appointed Kerry Lawford as PCC Secretary. Sue Maby thanked for her service. PCC were advised of a Quiet Day on 25 Sept and asked to take note of a new pattern of prayer. PCC were encouraged to attend church Open Evening. PCC agreed Ann Mace be appointed External Treasurer, Payroll Agent and HSBC signatory on all platforms and accounts operated by Treasurer. PCC agreed to recommend Sue Wintle be appointed as Independent Examiner for 2022.

In October the Standing Committee approved extending Revd Lauren Cheshire's time at St Paul's.

In November, PCC agreed Chris Dodgson be appointed PCC Treasurer and HSBC signatory on all platforms and accounts. PCC agreed Treasurer Elizabeth Henderson receive each set of PCC minutes. PCC agreed spend of up to £2k from Development Fund on purchase/installation of external noticeboard, to purchase of defibrillator from Development Fund and to transfer of £3k to General Fund from the Reserve Fund for cash flow. PCC advised now only 2 sub-groups – Fabric & Maintenance and Standing Committee. Kitchen redevelopment discussed and quotes being obtained. Safeguarding training matrix had been updated. DBS checks now 3 yearly. PCC open to possibility of Jim taking on Holy Epiphany. PCC agreed backing of Hope into Action project.

The Annual Report was drawn up by Mrs Kerry Lawford, PCC Secretary and approved by the PCC of St Paul's Throop on

17 March 2022

and signed on its behalf by Rev James Findlay (PCC Chair)

James Findlay

Financial Review 2021

The income for the year ended 31 December 2021 was £133,196 (2020: £130,190). Planned Giving and other freewill donations, together with associated Gift Aid, continued on a downward trend and fell again, by 2.6% compared with 2020, which itself reflected a fall of just over 5% compared with 2019. Pledges received for the Children & Youth Minister Fund amounted to £15,565 (2020: £17,594).

Resources expended amounted to £167,681 (2020: £189,517) including expenditure financed by the Development Fund. Net incoming resources for the year generated a total deficit of £ (34,485) [2019 deficit: £ (59,327)] including both a deficit on the General Fund which finances day to day operations, and an operating deficit on the Development Fund as the ongoing deployment of this Fund on mission and renewal projects continues.

The year 2021 was another difficult year as the effects of the Coronavirus pandemic continued to impact both our activities and our income. St Paul's Church Throop however gives praise to God that our Ministry and Mission has continued, due to the faithful and gospel-hearted support of our regular donors, to whom we give our grateful thanks and in which we acknowledge the Lord's unfailing goodness. The PCC also acknowledges the difficulties faced by the Poole Chinese Christian Fellowship who, having previously continued their contribution to the upkeep of our premises, were unable to continue this financial commitment indefinitely which thus came to an end in May 2021.

It is PCC policy to endeavour to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds which equates to at least three months unrestricted payments, which is equivalent to £30,000. This is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies. The cash balance of £68,967 held on unrestricted (including designated) funds at the year end, together with the amounts payable to and by the PCC, was significantly in excess of this target.

The PCC has sufficient reserves, organised into restricted, designated, and general funds, as described in Note 6 to the Accounts. The Trustees have assessed and consider that the PCC can continue its operations and meet its liabilities as they fall due for at least the next twelve months.

The Accounts have been prepared on the Accruals Basis.

Responsibilities of the members of the PCC in relation to the Accounts

The PCC is responsible for all parish finance, its management and control, including the appointment of a Treasurer. Its legal responsibilities include:

- Keeping proper accounting records, which are sufficient to show and explain all the PCC's transactions and must include a record of all relevant assets and liabilities. The records must:
  - show and explain all the PCC's transactions;
  - disclose the PCC's financial position at any time;
  - enable the required accounts to be prepared;
  - show on a day-to-day basis all receipts and payments and what they were for;
  - include a record of all assets and liabilities.
- Ensuring that the finances of the PCC are under its control and only delegated if the PCC can ensure that its wishes will be followed.
- Preparing annual accounts and a report, which shall be presented to the Annual Parochial Church Meeting in accordance with the requirements of the Church Representation Rules.
- Arranging for an independent examination of the Accounts.

Approved by the PCC and signed on its behalf by:

E D Henderson

Elizabeth Henderson: Treasurer

17 March 2022

Dated

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	St Paul's PCC Bournemouth		
On accounts for the year ended	31 December 2021	**Charity no**	1131699
Set out on pages	A3 to A14		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

Signed:	IHarrison	**Date:**	28 FEB 2022
Name:	Ian Thomas Harrison		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	Associate of the Chartered Institute of Bankers		
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Mrs Claire Saunders
Mrs Gill Schiel – to APCM 2020

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The Priest-in-Charge, Church Wardens, PCC Treasurer, PCC Secretary

Worship Group
Jim Findlay – Chairman, Gill Schiel – Secretary, Martin Priddey

Mission Group
Jim Findlay – Chairman, Susan Nightingale – Secretary, Rebecca Rowland, Trish Divers, Ruth Maytum, Nathan Bendell, Jim Page, Alex Fisher, Nigel Rowlands, Martin Priddey

Youth and Children's Group
Andy Saunders – Chairman, Chris Dodgson – Secretary, Jan Roper, Averil Bowyer, Vicky Arnold, Jim Page, Nathan Bendell

Resources Group
Stephen Lodge – Chairman, Peter Adams – Secretary, Elizabeth Henderson, Jenny Powell

Fabric and Maintenance
Ian Tyrrell, Peter Adams, Mark Payne, Gordon Cox

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Church Attendance:

There were 134 Parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll, at the end of 2020 of which 46 were resident in the Parish and 88 non-residents. Average Sunday morning attendance for the year was 20 under 16 years of age and 90 over 16 years. For 9 months of the year the services were held online.

Review of the Year

The full PCC met bi-monthly and since the start of the Pandemic via ZOOM and the attendance rate over the year has been 85%. As well as these meetings, at the beginning of the year the Sub-Committees of the PCC met enabling a greater breadth and depth of discussion and focus on various topics.

The PCC was pleased to welcome the following new members in 2020: –
Angela Capp, David James and Claire Saunders to PCC and Gill Schiel and Andy Saunders to Deanery Synod

In January Nathan Bendell was invited to give a report on his Vision for Youth and Children's work at St Paul's. It was reported that the Barbara Rose Pre-School has decided not to replace Abby Crowsley, instead dividing up the duties between other leaders.

The PCC agreed to back the Priest-in-Charge's report on his views on Same Sex Sex.

It was reported that the Diocese did not agree with the colours chosen for the chairs and carpet and the Sub-Group was to prepare a colour board for them. The guttering was cleared and the moving wall in the extension has been repaired.

In March the PCC approved the following: Annual Report and Financial Statements, Increase of Priest-in-Charge Discretionary Fund, that the Church Administrator explore the potential of Blood and Transplant using the building, colours and fabrics of carpets and chairs, PACE can use the basement as an office, appoint a Director of Music and a Coronavirus Plan.

Information regarding Covid-19 from the Diocese was shared with the PCC.

At the end of March, the Government announced that due to the Pandemic the country was going into 'Lockdown' and this affected future PCC Meetings as well as Church Services and Activities which at this time were not allowed to take place. Plans were made to help and support those who were vulnerable with a list of volunteers drawn up. The Church Administrator would organise this as necessary. Church services moved online, firstly recorded and then live-streamed with printed Services and Sermons being delivered to those without the Internet. The PCC and Standing Committee met via ZOOM or agreed proposals via email.

The APCM to be held in April was cancelled and in time the Diocese made arrangements to hold this via ZOOM. This was subsequently held in October.

In April the PCC agreed to furlough The Verger, suspend the tenants' rent, to support Faithworks Food Pack Challenge in order to supply food to those who are homeless during the Pandemic and to give 2.5% Mission Tithe of £2,025 to Faithworks for this.

In June as 'Lockdown' ended the Diocese informed us that we could open the church for private prayer, although this was not done at this time. The Verger recommenced work.

The PCC agreed that re-ordering the Church to include new carpets and chairs can go ahead. They also agreed to put a locked gate on the car park, to get the church professionally cleaned before opening, that Ian Tyrrell can paint the screen wall at the back of the church and to the purchase of a new upright freezer.

In July it was agreed to re-open the church for services in August with a maximum of 30 people due to 'Social Distancing' rules. These places would be bookable in advance through the Church Office.

In August, the PCC agreed to a transfer of funds between accounts.

In September, the Standing Committee agreed to ask Chubb Treecare to carry out work to cut back the trees in the church grounds.

The Standing Committee met in person in October and agreed to the clearing out of the gutters and downpipes and to the repair of the joints of the existing aluminium gutters. They also agreed to give a contribution to the Common Mission Fund and that Gill Schiel be appointed Payroll Manager. Agreement was also given to pay to send back the old photocopier – the money coming from the Development Fund, also to purchase a computer for Nathan Bendell's use but which would remain the property of St Paul's and that Keith Loveless be appointed as the church architect.

In November following the APCM the PCC appointed the PCC Officers, Safeguarding Officer, Data Protection Officer and Standing Committee members. All other committees were dispensed with due to groups not meeting because of the Pandemic. This would be revisited once the church was able to be back to normal again.

The PCC also approved the Sidespeople and the Livestream Personnel.

The monthly pattern of services will be two Basement Live services at 10.00am and two Holy Communion services being Livestreamed each month with the other weeks being Morning Praise.

Sound Engineer, Jim King gave 10 hours of work to sort out the sound system and a camera for Livestreaming was purchased. Finally plans for Christmas Services were agreed.

The Carol and Christmas Day services this year were held in the Church car park and were both well attended.

The PCC was pleased to support continued participation in the Shoebox Appeal and at Harvest Festival food donations were given to the Food Bank.

The Deanery Synod Representatives reported to the PCC on the workings of the Synod.

Our visiting speakers this year have been: Revd Dr Peter Walker who also led the Lent Course which unfortunately had to be curtailed due to the Pandemic.

Due to Lockdown the PCC were unable to receive and consider requests from church groups and external organisations for permission to hold various events and functions throughout the year.

The Annual Report was drawn up by Mrs Susan Maby, Honorary PCC Secretary and approved by the PCC of St Paul's Throop on

19.03.2021

and signed on its behalf by Rev James Findlay (PCC Chair)

Financial Review 2020

The income for the year ended 31 December 2020 was £130,190 (2019: £274,729 which included two large donations totalling £109,000 and a legacy of £18,230). Planned Giving and other freewill donations, together with associated Gift Aid, fell by just over 5%. Pledges received for the Children & Youth Minister Fund amounted to £17,594 (2019: £22,207).

Resources expended amounted to £189,517 (2019: £151,439) including expenditure financed by the Development Fund and Building Fund. Net incoming resources for the year were deficit £(59,327) (2019 surplus: £123,290).

The year 2020 was exceptional as the Coronavirus pandemic spread across the globe, impacting economies world-wide. Charities were not exempt from this financial turmoil and charities both large and small continue to be severely impacted by the economic downturn. St Paul's Church Throop is no exception in this and the fact that our Ministry and Mission has continued is due to the faithful and gospel-hearted support of our regular donors, to whom we give our grateful thanks and in which we acknowledge the Lord's unfailing goodness. The PCC also gives public thanks to our brothers and sisters in Christ in the Poole Chinese Christian Fellowship who, although they were unable to use our premises throughout most of 2020, nevertheless continued to support our Kingdom-building work by maintaining their monthly rent contribution and have committed to this financial support for at least the first six months of 2021. Thank you seems inadequate, but to all our donors and supporters, we convey our sincerest gratitude for all you are equipping us to do in the name of the Lord.

It is PCC policy to endeavour to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds which equates to at least three months unrestricted payments, which is equivalent to £30,000. It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies. The cash balance of £98,258 held on unrestricted (including designated) funds at the year end, together with the amounts payable to and by the PCC, was significantly in excess of this target.

The PCC has sufficient reserves, organised into restricted, designated, and general funds, as described in Note 6 to the Accounts. The Trustees have assessed and consider that the PCC can continue its operations and meet its liabilities as they fall due for at least the next twelve months.

The Accounts have been prepared on the Accruals Basis.

Responsibilities of the members of the PCC in relation to the Accounts

The PCC is responsible for all parish finance, its management and control, including the appointment of a Treasurer. Its legal responsibilities include:

- Keeping proper accounting records, which are sufficient to show and explain all the PCC's transactions and must include a record of all relevant assets and liabilities. The records must:
  - show and explain all the PCC's transactions;
  - disclose the PCC's financial position at any time;
  - enable the required accounts to be prepared;
  - show on a day-to-day basis all receipts and payments and what they were for;
  - include a record of all assets and liabilities.
- Ensuring that the finances of the PCC are under its control and only delegated if the PCC can ensure that its wishes will be followed.
- Preparing annual accounts and a report, which shall be presented to the Annual Parochial Church Meeting in accordance with the requirements of the Church Representation Rules.
- Arranging for an independent examination of the Accounts.

Approved by the PCC and signed on its behalf by:

E A Henderson

Elizabeth Henderson: Treasurer

18 March 2021

Dated

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/members of	St Paul's PCC Bournemouth		
On accounts for the year ended	31 December 2020	**Charity no (if any)**	1131699
Set out on pages	9 To 19		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2020.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followedall the 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 examinationwhich gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- theaccounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- theaccounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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 whichattention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:	[signature] ACIB	**Date:**	12 FEB 2021
Name:	IAN THOMAS HARRISON		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	ASSOCIATE OF THE CHARTERED INSTITUTE OF BANKERS		
Address:	9 MICHELMERSH GREEN BOURNEMOUTH BH8 0NU		

Statement of Financial Activities
For the year ended 31 December 2020

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
Incoming resources						
Donations and legacies		98,617	1,500	21,014	119,131	256,517
Income from charitable activities		673	-	-	673	4,785
Other trading activities		9,624	-	-	9,624	13,026
Investment income		-	746	16	762	401
Total incoming resources	2	106,914	2,246	21,030	130,190	274,729
Resources expended						
Expenditure on charitable activities		116,018	49,326	24,173	189,517	151,439
Total resources expended	3	116,018	49,326	24,173	189,517	151,439
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers		(9,104)	(47,080)	(3,143)	(59,327)	123,290
Transfers between funds in/(out)	6b	5,000	(5,000)	-	-	-
2019 Accruals adjustment		(449)	-	-	(449)	-
Net movement in funds		(4,553)	(52,080)	(3,143)	(59,776)	123,290
Funds at 1 January		13,525	141,366	16,554	171,445	48,155
Funds at 31 December		8,972	89,286	13,411	111,669	171,445
Represented by						
Restricted:	Children & Youth Ministry Fund	-	-	13,411	13,411	16,554
Designated:	Building Fund	-	9,415	-	9,415	22,540
	Development Fund	-	69,397	-	69,397	102,755
	Reserves Fund	-	10,124	-	10,124	15,071
	Vicars Discretionary Fund	-	350	-	350	1,000
Unrestricted:	General fund	8,972	-	-	8,972	13,525
		8,972	89,286	13,411	111,669	171,445

Balance Sheet
For the year ended 31 December 2020

		Notes	2020 £	2019 £
Current Assets				
Debtors & Prepayments		4	5,957	3,105
Cash at bank and in hand			108,830	171,453
			114,787	174,558
Liabilities				
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		5	3,118	3,113
Net Current Assets		7	111,669	171,445
Represented by				
Restricted:	Children & Youth Ministry Fund	6b	13,411	16,554
Designated:	Building Fund	6b	9,415	22,540
	Development Fund		69,397	102,755
	Reserves Fund		10,124	15,071
	Vicars Discretionary Fund		350	1,000
Unrestricted:	General Fund	6b	8,972	13,525
Total funds			111,669	171,445

Approved for issue by the Parochial Church Council and signed on its behalf by

Rev James Findlay (Chairman)

Elizabeth Henderson (Treasurer)

18 March 2021
Dated

Charity Commission Registration no: 1131699

Notes to the accounts

31 December 2020

1. Accounting policies

Basis of financial statements
The financial statements have been prepared under the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the current Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities and applicable accounting standard FRS 102.

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

The Accounts have been prepared on the Accruals Basis.

Fund accounting

Restricted funds comprise revenue donations or grants for a specific PCC activity intended by the donor. Where these funds have unspent balances, interest on their pooled investment is apportioned to the individual funds on an average balance basis.

Unrestricted funds are income funds that are to be spent on the PCC's general purposes.

Designated funds are general funds set aside by the PCC for use in the future. Project funds are designated for particular projects for administration purposes only. Designated funds remain unrestricted and the PCC will move any surplus to other general funds.

Incoming resources

Planned giving, collections and similar donations are recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is entitled to the use of the resources, their ultimate receipt is considered reasonably certain and the amounts due are readily quantifiable. Interest is accounted for as and when accrued by the payer. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

Resources expended

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

Fixed assets

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

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1. Accounting policies/*continued*

Fixed assets/*continued*

Movable church furnishings held by the vicar and churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal are inalienable property, listed in the church's inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For anything acquired prior to 2000 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the financial statements.

New fixtures, fittings, and equipment used within the church premises with a purchase cost of £10,000 or more are depreciated on a straight-line basis over each asset's estimated useful life. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of less than £10,000 are written off when the asset is acquired.

Expenditure on replacements and renewals, which do not constitute a new class of asset, is written off in the year of expense.

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2. Incoming resources

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
Incoming resources from donors						
Planned Giving		72,810	-	-	72,810	74,015
Gift Aid & GASDS		15,246	200	3,420	18,866	21,398
Children & Youth Minister Fund Pledges		-	-	17,594	17,594	22,207
Offertory & unplanned giving	[a]	8,561	1,300	-	9,861	120,667
Legacy		-	-	-	-	18,230
		96,617	1,500	21,014	119,131	256,517
Income from charitable activities						
Fees, bookstall, events & other income		381	-	-	381	2,996
Little Lambs & Friday Network		292	-	-	292	1,789
		673	-	-	673	4,785
Other trading activities						
Barbara Rose (Christian Preschool) Rent	[b]	5,676	-	-	5,676	7,568
Other rent		3,948	-	-	3,948	5,458
		9,624	-	-	9,624	13,026
Investment income						
Bank interest		-	746	16	762	401
		106,914	2,246	21,030	130,190	274,729

[a] Unplanned giving for 2019 included two exceptional donations totalling £109,000.

[b] The Barbara Rose Christian Preschool, which was unable to use the buildings during Lockdown 1 to comply with Government regulations, was given a rent refund in respect of that Quarter's rent. The rate of rental has not otherwise changed between 2019 and 2020.

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3. Resources expended

Resources expended

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
Activities directly related to the work of the church						
Ministry: Diocese of Winchester CMF		58,138	-	-	58,138	54,183
Clergy expenses	[a]	986	-	-	986	1,628
Children & Youth Minister	[b]	-	-	24,173	24,173	10,025
Staff costs	[b]	21,946	4,079	-	26,025	20,717
Services, events & other ministry activity		1,913	-	-	1,913	3,655
Children & Youth work		1,077	-	-	1,077	2,041
Office, admin, housekeeping & misc		5,197	759	-	5,956	9,961
Utilities, equipment & insurance	[c]	8,517	29,164	-	37,681	11,358
Building & grounds maintenance		6,761	1,914	-	8,675	9,630
Building & grounds major works	[d]	-	11,260	-	11,260	-
Governance costs	[e]	310	-	-	310	970
		104,845	47,176	24,173	176,194	124,168
10% Mission Tithe Partners						
Overseas mission partners						
Crosslinks: Moldova		2,024	-	-	2,024	1,974
OMF International: Singapore		2,024	-	-	2,024	1,974
Scripture Union International: Nigeria		-	-	-	-	494
UK mission partners						
Faithworks Wessex: BCARS		2,024	-	-	2,024	1,480
PACE Trust		2,024	-	-	2,024	1,974
		8,096	-	-	8,096	7,896
Other mission & evangelism						
2.5% Mission Tithe	[f]	2,025	-	-	2,025	1,975
Home Mission & Evangelism		444	-	-	444	1,508
Relief Agencies		75	-	-	75	23
Vicar's Discretionary Fund Disbursements		-	2,150	-	2,150	700
Pastoral gifts to individuals		533	-	-	533	169
Barbara Rose (Christian Preschool)		-	-	-	-	15,000
		3,077	2,150	-	5,227	19,375
		116,018	49,326	24,173	189,517	151,439

[a] Clergy expenses comprised the ministerial expenses of the Incumbent and were not related to his office as Chairman of the PCC.

No other members of the PCC were reimbursed for expenses specifically relating to the PCC. Expenses incurred by PCC members unrelated to their services as such are not disclosable.

[b] PCC members received no remuneration during the year (2019 - £nil).

The salary costs of the Children & Youth Minister are paid from the Children & Youth Ministry Fund; the salary costs of the Church Administrator and the Verger are paid from the General Fund; the salary costs of the Music Director are paid from the Development Fund.

Notes to the accounts

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3. *Resources expended: Notes continued*

[c] Development Fund Expenditure of £29,164 comprised: a new shed for storage of Little Lambs equipment; recarpeting of the worship area and church lounge; a new Toshiba photocopier (see also Note 8); upgrading the sound system and cameras for online worship provision; and a new laptop for the use of the Children & Youth Minister.

[d] Building Fund Expenditure of £11,260 comprised new replacement heaters for the church and church office.

[e] Governance Costs comprised the cost of a professional payroll service. The Independent Examiner's fee for 2020 is £NIL as services have kindly been provided on a voluntary basis (2019: £540).

[f] The 2.5% Mission Tithe is disbursed by the PCC according to mission priorities. In 2020 this comprised a single donation to the Faithworks Wessex COVID-19 Food Pack Appeal.

4. Debtors & Prepayments

	2020 £	2019 £
Children & Youth Ministry Fund		
HMRC Gift Aid recoverable	125	135
	125	135
Development Fund		
Deposit for Little Lambs shed	-	637
Deposits for new church seating	4,700	-
	4,700	637
General Fund		
HMRC Gift Aid & GASDS recoverable	333	541
Other Debtors & Prepayments	799	1,792
	1,132	2,333
Totals	**5,957**	**3,105**

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5. Creditors & Accruals: amounts falling due within one year

	2020 £	2019 £
Children & Youth Ministry Fund		
HMRC: PAYE/NIC due quarter ended December	1,074	1,046
NEST: pensions contributions month ended December	102	98
	1,176	1,144
Agency collections		
Third party agency collections	-	106
	-	106
Development Fund		
HMRC: PAYE/NIC due quarter ended December	1	-
	1	-
General Fund		
HMRC: PAYE/NIC due quarter ended December	485	557
NEST: pensions contributions month ended December	50	46
Other Creditors & Accruals	1,406	1,260
	1,941	1,863
Totals	**3,118**	**3,113**

6. Funds

a) Fund descriptions

The PCC's restricted funds comprise donations held for purposes specified by the donors.

Funds which are held by the PCC for general purposes (and which have not been restricted by the donors) are unrestricted.

The PCC has set aside certain funds (designated funds) for particular projects. These funds may be redesignated by the PCC as necessary.

Where these funds have unspent balances, interest on their investment is apportioned to the individual funds.

Restricted Funds:

The Children & Youth Ministry Fund was established in 2019 and exists to support the salary of a full-time Children & Youth Minister. This fund comprises donations received from within the church family of St Paul's Throop together with associated Gift Aid repayments where appropriate.

Designated Funds:

The Building Fund is held to meet major expenses on the fabric of the church buildings and grounds.

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6. Funds/continued

a) Fund descriptions

Designated Funds/continued:

The Development Fund is assigned for all current development projects of the PCC, including (but not restricted to): the proposed re-modelling of some areas of the church interior; new church seating; new carpeting (completed 2020); any general repurposing of the building for missional outreach; funding of any extraordinary items which the PCC may approve related to mission development and outreach.

The Reserves Fund is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash-flow and to meet any emergency expenditure.

The Vicar's Discretionary Fund is assigned for the discretionary use of the Priest in Charge for the alleviation of pastoral need.

Unrestricted Fund:

The General Fund is not subject to any restrictions regarding its use and is available for application on the general purposes of the PCC.

b) Fund details

	Balances at 1 January 2020	Incoming resources	Outgoing resources	Transfers	2019 Accruals Adjustment	Balances at 31 December 2020
Restricted Funds						
Children & Youth Ministry Fund	16,554	21,030	(24,173)			13,411
Designated Funds						
Building Fund	22,540	49	(13,174)			9,415
Development Fund	102,755	644	(34,002)			69,397
Reserves Fund	15,071	53	-	(5,000)		10,124
Vicar's Discretionary Fund	1,000	1,500	(2,150)			350
	141,366	2,246	(49,326)	(5,000)		89,286
Unrestricted Funds						
General Fund	13,525	106,914	(116,018)	5,000	(449)	8,972
Totals	171,445	130,190	(189,517)	-	(449)	111,669

c) Transfers between Funds

		£
Reserves Fund to General Fund	To support cashflow shortfall	5,000

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7. Assets & Liabilities by Fund

	2020 Balance £	2019 Balance £
Restricted Funds		
Children & Youth Ministry Fund		
HSBC Deposit A/C	14,462	17,563
Debtors	125	135
	14,587	17,698
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	(1,176)	(1,144)
	13,411	16,554
Designated Funds		
Building Fund		
HSBC Deposit A/C	3,415	11,578
CCLA CBF CoE Deposit Fund A/C	6,000	10,962
	9,415	22,540
Development Fund		
HSBC Current A/C	1	1,418
HSBC Deposit A/C	9,394	-
CAF 60 Day A/C	-	77,177
CCLA CBF CoE Deposit Fund A/C	55,303	23,523
Debtors & prepayments	4,700	637
	69,398	102,755
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	(1)	-
	69,397	102,755
Reserves Fund		
CCLA CBF CoE Deposit Fund A/C	10,124	15,071
Vicar's Discretionary Fund		
HSBC Current A/C	350	1,000
Unrestricted Funds		
General Fund		
HSBC Current A/C	9,781	13,007
CCLA CBF CoE Deposit Fund A/C	-	48
Debtors & Prepayments	1,132	2,333
	10,913	15,388
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	(1,941)	(1,863)
	8,972	13,525
Agency collection : Restricted		
HSBC Current A/C	-	106
HSBC Deposit A/C	-	-
	-	106
Agency collections payable	-	(106)
	-	-
Totals all Funds	111,669	171,445

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8. Commitment under Lease Hire Contract

The Lease Hire Contract in respect of the Kyocera photocopier came to an end on 28 October 2020. The PCC decided not to commit to another such contract at this time, but rather to utilise some of the capital generously donated in 2019 for outright purchase of a replacement photocopier, thus saving £1,950 per annum in finance costs and warranty charges. Through the services of Parish Buying, the PCC secured a very favourable contract with Toshiba for outright purchase of a new photocopier costing £7,266 (inc VAT) with a guaranteed ongoing maintenance & consumables charge 57% lower than the cost of the Kyocera agreement. The Toshiba maintenance & consumables charge is guaranteed at this fixed rate for seven years.

9. Related Party Transactions

Apart from the reimbursement of expenses, as disclosed in Note 3, there were no related party transactions during the year.

10. Funds received as Agent

From time to time the PCC may act as Agent to facilitate collections for third parties. As the PCC does not hold legal title to these collections, such funds are not required to be shown in the Statement of Financial Activities or on the Balance Sheet. During 2020 the following collections on behalf of third parties were banked and duly paid on:

Description	Related Party?	Amount received/due £	Amount paid out £	Balance held/due at Year End £
Sunday Network collections for Send a Cow	No	14.84	14.84	0
Grapevine collections for TESS	No	695.29	695.29	0
Rev Dr Peter Walker for sales of The Jesus Way books	No	530.00	530.00	0
Winchester Diocesan Board of Finance: Parochial Fees	Yes	199.00	199.00	0