



## **Report of the Trustees & Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2024**

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The Trustees present their report and the independently examined financial statements of the charity for the year ended **31<sup>st</sup> December 2024**. The financial statements have been prepared on a Receipts and Payments basis and comply with the charity's governing documents, the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956, and the Charities Act 2011.

### AIM & PURPOSES

St. Stephen's Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent, Matt Graham, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social, and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the St. Stephen's Church building, St. Stephen's Church Halls, and the Curate's house, 89 Prenton Hall Road.

### OBJECTIVES & ACTIVITIES

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible from the parish of Prenton to worship at St Stephen's and to become part of the St Stephen's church family. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can engage and reach the many groups that live within our parish. Our services and worship enable people to put their faith in Jesus into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament.

To facilitate our continued worship and witness, caring for the congregation as well as meeting the needs of the parish and reaching out effectively to them, it is important that we maintain the fabric of the Church of St. Stephen's and the Church Halls.

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### ACHIEVEMENTS & PERFORMANCE

#### **From the Vicar**

We began 2024 by focussing on the heart of the gospel of salvation: "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." Romans 10v13. With the vision set in 2023 in mind, we want to be intentional about the welcome we give to anyone who might step through the doors of the church building; or live on our street, or work on the till in the shop we happen to visit. None of them is beyond salvation, if they call on Jesus. We continue to pray that the Lord would ADD to our number, so that St Stephen's would represent 2% of the parish gathering regularly.

We continue to give thanks for the steady trickle of new people the Lord brings, particularly on Sunday mornings. We pray that they will become committed followers of Jesus; members of the church family, and partners in mission. The Wednesday BCP service also enjoyed modest growth to pre-covid numbers.

The churchwardens assisted with an Archdeacons inspection. Records were examined and informal conversation about the ongoing life, mission and vision and practical plans for the church building received positive feedback along with encouragement to de-clutter St Stephen's of non-essential items of furniture.

In June we said goodbye to our placement student who was ordained for ministry in a local deanery. His departure was felt in various ways, but particularly in relation to tentative activities in the Dell estate in anticipation of obtaining the former Prenton Dell Library.

With our commitment to growing DEEPER in our love for Jesus as a whole as a church family, Kerry joined staff in September with the aim of support parents and volunteers working with children and young people. In the four months to the end of 2024 it was great to see Kerry settle in and serving as hoped to bring greater intentionality and depth in this key area. Some home groups also had new members meeting for bible study and encouragement.

Whilst progress on the lease assignment of the library was slow, the PCC confirmed a role description and undertook to advertise for a full-time worker to lead our mission in that part of the parish with the recruitment process beginning in January 2025.

During the year the PCC undertook a reshuffle of our sub-committees to enable greater efficiency and flexibility to respond to and achieve objectives. This included our Outreach sub-group which takes a lead responsibility for helping the church engage effectively with those we are seeking to reach.

The PCC have also generously supported my application for a sabbatical in the summer term of 2025, which I am very grateful for.

Under our commitment to have a BUILDING that is fit for purpose and purposefully friendly, the newly glazed Lady Chapel had lighting and heating updates. Replacement chairs were successfully sourced and integrated and have been effective at both enabling flexible use (e.g. the monthly café service which requires moving chairs to set-up tables) and also increased capacity for seasonal school services. Faculty applications were made for a cable channel and mounting screens on two pillars to update our AV system, and a start date for the Project 125 accessible loos and hospitality servery was initially agreed for August and then January 2025.

Activities such as Little Seeds, CAMEO, a men's curry night, Easter Eggstravaganza, summer pudding evening, Fun Day, Hot Pot Supper with quiz, and A Taste of Christmas, as well as the regular Café Services, provided opportunities for proclaiming the good news of Jesus and connecting with the parish. We were again able to deliver invitations to every house in the parish, and a full programme of Christmas services saw good attendance - Christingle (95), Café service (57), Carol Service (119), Nativity (153), Christmas Night (48), Christmas Day (85) with many guests taking an evangelistic book as a gift to read. Several people signed up at these events for a follow up course in the new year.

This brief report comes with thanks to all those who serve in so many varied and often unseen ways to make our life and ministry to one another and the community possible.

If you have questions or concerns about any aspect of our life and ministry together, I am always more than happy to discuss, or explain anything as best I can.

***Matt Graham***

## REPORTS

### **Birkenhead Deanery Synod Report**

Three meetings were held in 2024: February – Ministry with children and young people, led by Katie Herrera, diocesan Families, Children, and Youth Advisor based at Church House; June - Outreach and evangelism training, led by Peter Froggatt, Director of Outreach; October – Vocation & Calling, led by members of the Ministry Team at Church House. Paul Bentley (Christ the King) succeeded Joe Kennedy on his departure to become bishop of Burnley. Paul is assisted by Keith Addenbrooke (St James & St Bede). There is often talk of the deanery unit becoming more significant in the delivering and achieving of the diocesan vision and strategy, but it remains a difficult meeting to energise or attract clergy and lay representatives along too.

***Matt Graham***

### **Churchwardens Report**

We are very grateful to the church family at St Stephen's for making this an easy place to be churchwardens. You have taught us faithfully through sermons, small groups, and conversations. For example, we now know more about God's sovereignty from studying Genesis together. God's financial gifts to the church family have been shared generously so that

our church finances are in good order. You have served in a huge variety of ways, from skillful hands making excellent food to vocal cords encouraging our hearts.

In 2024 we restructured some of the operations of the PCC and sub-groups. This includes new structures for committees: Buildings, Outreach etc. We are grateful to new and existing volunteers for supporting this work and for engaging with the many meetings, discussions and emails that are part of it. For most of us, this is a boring aspect of church life, but we are seeking to make sure that the behind-the-scenes work is both transparent and efficient so that we can enjoy focusing on the core business of worshipping God together and reaching out to our neighbours.

This year we have seen the culmination of years of work to update the church building. The lighting and heating have been completed in the Lady Chapel, with many thanks to the Mawby family for providing the finances for this work. We have new chairs that are both more comfortable and more flexible, making setting up for events like the Café Service easier. As we write, the final touches are being done to the new kitchen and toilets, one of which is fully accessible. Several people have worked hard to apply for grants and rebates to bring down the cost of this work to the church. Thank you to the Project 125 committee for doing much of the background work for these over the last 7 years, and of course to our architect and the constructors - project complete.

The PCC has made many bold decisions over the last few years, from building works to new mission opportunities and making new staff posts available. Being on the PCC is a privilege, but it can also be tough – emotionally draining, intellectually taxing late into the evening, and spiritually discombobulating (discussing lighting strips one moment and the direction of the Church of England the next). Thank you to PCC members for engaging patiently with many big decisions, for being forgiving where we have failed each other and for regularly holding up our community to God in prayer.

As we prepare for Matt's sabbatical, we are very grateful to those who have stepped up to support services and pastoral work, to lead on safeguarding and to our staff. Whilst we will miss Matt's formal leadership during his sabbatical, we are grateful for the lessons we have learnt of the Father's sovereignty, for Jesus' passion for his church and for the knowledge that the Holy Spirit will help us grow in godliness.

There will be challenges ahead, our expanding expenditure will require us to increase our financial giving, the growth of the staff team will facilitate more and different forms of service which we will need to support and engage with, and we will face all of the usual challenges of life in a fallen world. But what a privilege it is to know that whatever challenges we face this year, God is good.

*Chris Phillips and Richard Dunning - Churchwardens*

### **PCC Secretary Report for 2024**

The PCC began the year with 17 trustees, and closed the year with 16. Gill Monteith and Julie Newman-Vidler both retired from the PCC. June Macdonald chose to continue for another three years and was duly elected. We also welcomed Peter Horton who was elected to serve on the PCC. Richard Dunning retired from the PCC and was elected as Church Warden, along with Chris Phillips. As Rosie retired from her Church Warden position, she chose to join the PCC for the next three years. Thanks was noted to Rosie for serving as church warden for the last 7 years.

The PCC met 6 times during this year. Each meeting began with a reading and/or Bible thought and prayer and ended with prayer.

Members for 2024 were:

The Rev Matt Graham	Vicar/Chairman
Mr Pete Earp	Lay Chairman/Reader
Mr Richard Dunning	Church Warden
Mr Chris Phillips	Church Warden
Mrs Joan Potts	Safeguarding Officer / Deanery Synod Rep
Mr Daniel Davies	Retires 2025
Mr Richard Fearnley	Treasurer
Mrs Jenny Webb	PCC Secretary / Deanery Synod Rep Retires 2025
Mr Robert Wiltshire	Retires 2026
Dr Dave Bennett	Retires 2026

Mr Patrick Giblett	Retires 2026
Mrs Linda Cottier	Retires 2026
Mrs June Macdonald	Retires 2027
Mrs Rosie Earp	Retires 2027
Mr Peter Horton	Retires 2027
Dr Joel Giblett	Deanery Synod Rep

The PCC has wide responsibilities, each member being a trustee and has complied with the duty to have "due regard" to House of Bishops safeguarding policy and practice guidance.

The PCC has this year, has made the decision to move to fewer meetings on a trial basis for the year ahead. Our sub-committees are taking on greater responsibility between PCC meetings with the aim of enabling us to deal more effectively with good problem of growth and the healthy mess and complexity that brings. Each sub-committee is accountable to the PCC.

At every meeting there was an opportunity to look back and look forward at events; reports were received from the various committees entrusted with the responsibility of aspects of the work of the PCC which included:

- Health & Safety
- Safeguarding
- Treasurer's Report
- Standing Committee Report
- Buildings Committee Report
- Outreach Group Report

*Jenny Webb, PCC Secretary*

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## FINANCIAL REVIEW

### **Treasurer's Report for year ending 31/12/2024**

**Format:** In line with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) for the presentation of charity accounts generally, the accounts in the pages that follow include the following tables—

- *Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA)* – summarising the income and expenditure over the year by category of fund – general unrestricted, designated (i.e. halls income and expenditure), restricted and endowment, with the totals in 2023 for comparison.
- *Balance Sheet* – showing the assets held at the end of the year, fixed and current, as balanced against the different categories of fund held by the PCC.
- *Analysis of Income* – providing details of the income summarised in the SOFA, analysed into the relevant categories and funds, with totals in 2023 for comparison.
- *Analysis of Expenditure* – which provides details of the expenditure summarised in the SOFA, analysed into the relevant categories and funds, with totals in 2023 for comparison.
- *Charitable Giving* – providing details of the grants provided by the PCC for various mission, relief and development purposes during the year.
- *Church and Halls Major Expenditure* – providing details of the cost of the major works and repairs carried out, and other major expenditure incurred during the year.

- *Halls Income and Expenditure* – providing details of the income and expenditure arising in the designated fund that is used to record the Halls finances.
- *Fund Movements Summary* – recording the fund balances at the start and end of the year, and the income and expenditure during the year, for each of the funds held by the PCC.

**Income:** As to the general income (excluding income from hall lettings), there has been a satisfactory increase in this compared with 2023. In particular, total income from donations and legacies rose from £115,254 to £120,785 (+4.8%). In relation to income from hall lettings, as managed through a designated fund, this fell slightly from £22,721 in 2023 to £21,626. However, this was ameliorated by a reduction in the expenditure paid out of the designated fund – see below. As regards interest on general deposited funds the income rose from £12,065 to £14,345 due to the higher interest rates payable during 2024. Overall the total of all unrestricted income was £181,948, an increase of 5.3% over the equivalent 2023 figure of £172,799. Income accruing to the various restricted funds amounted to £2,177.

**Expenditure:** Unrestricted and designated fund expenditure in 2024 amounted to £177,157, compared to £150,812 in 2023, an increase of £26,345. The main factors behind the increase were—

- an increase of £3,587 (+5%) in the Parish Share payments;
- the spending of £3,445 more than in 2023 on the upkeep of the church grounds due to the need to pollard a number of trees on the perimeter of the churchyard;
- increases in the church's energy costs from £10,977 in 2023 to £14,096 in 2024 (+28.4%); and
- the purchase of new chairs for use within the church building at a cost of £15,526.

Expenditure out of the various restricted funds amounted to £10,414. The bulk of this expenditure was in relation to the pay and expenses arising out of the employment of a Children's and Youth Worker from the beginning of September 2024, which were borne out of a generous restricted gift made in 2023.

**Summary:** As shown in the SOFA below, though both unrestricted income and expenditure (including via the Halls Designated Fund) increased compared to the equivalent figures in 2023, the overall outcome was an unrestricted surplus of £4,890. In relation to the Halls finances, the reduction in expenditure exceeded the reduction in income, resulting in a surplus within the designated fund of £6,303 which outweighed the small deficit in the General Fund (-£1,413) to generate the overall surplus referred to. In relation to the various restricted funds, expenditure exceeded income by £8,237.

In terms of the PCC's assets, as the Balance Sheet shows, these dipped slightly in value from £420,759 in 2023 to £417,609 in 2024. This was due to the reduction in the value of the restricted funds outweighing the surplus in unrestricted funds. As in 2023, the balance between the funds in which these assets are held has changed. Specifically, the unrestricted (general and designated) funds rose from £341,370 on 01/01/2024 to £346,260 on 31/12/2024, whereas the total of the restricted and endowment funds fell over the same period from £79,424 to £71,339.

Finally, I would again like to thank our Independent Examiner, Tim Odell, for checking that the accounts are in good order and comply with the appropriate charity accounting requirements.

**Richard Fearnley, Treasurer**

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## STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE & MANAGEMENT

### Background

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church; pastoral, ecclesiastical, social and ecumenical. It also has maintenance responsibilities for St. Stephen's church, St. Stephen's church halls and the curate's house, which it owns.

### Membership of the PCC and Trustees of the Parish

Members of the PCC are either ex officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. The Trustees listed in the PCC Secretary's Report served as members of the PCC during the year.

### Incumbent & Clergy

Revd Matt Graham Vicar and Chair of Trustees

### Committees

There are a number of committees that attend to different aspects of the business of the PCC. They are as follows:

### ***Standing Committee***

This is the only committee required by law. It has the power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the Council.

### ***Outreach Group***

This committee exists to facilitate growth and reaching out into the community to further our aims and objectives as a parish.

### ***Buildings Committee***

A working group to facilitate and progress plans for building works associated with our 125th anniversary and also 89 PHR and the Dell Library.

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## REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

**Registered Charity number** 1131998

**Principal address** Parish Office, St Stephen's Church Hall, 11 Prenton Lane, Birkenhead, Merseyside, CH42 8LA

**Trustees** PCC Members for 2024/25 (as listed in the PCC Secretary's report)

**Independent examiner** Timothy Odell FCA, CA(SA)

**Bankers** HSBC - Grange Precinct, Birkenhead

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Reports and financial statements approved by order of the board of trustees (PCC) on 7 April 2025 and signed on its behalf by its Chairman, **Revd Matt Graham (Vicar)**

Signature \_\_\_\_\_



## **Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Parochial Church Council of St. Stephen's Church Prenton**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Parochial Church Council of St. Stephen's Church Prenton for the year ended 31 December 2024.

### ***Responsibilities and basis of report***

As the charity trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act'). I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

### ***Independent examiner's statement***

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

- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- (2) the accounts do not accord with those records; or

- (3) the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Signed by \_\_\_\_\_ (Timothy Odell) on 24 March 2025

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## Statement of Financial Activities 2024

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total Funds	
					2024	2023
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>						
Donations and legacies	120,785	-	1,969	-	122,754	132,322
Income from charitable activities	6,849	-	-	-	6,849	11,911
Other trading activities	12	21,626	-	-	21,638	22,724
Investments	26,345	-	208	-	26,553	23,812
Other income	6,330	-	-	-	6,330	44
<b>Total income</b>	<b>160,322</b>	<b>21,626</b>	<b>2,177</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>184,124</b>	<b>190,813</b>
<b>Expenditure on:1</b>						
Raising funds	680	-	-	-	680	554
Expenditure on charitable activities	160,714	15,323	9,682	-	185,718	186,471
Other expenditure	341	-	732	-	1,073	4,454
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>161,735</b>	<b>15,323</b>	<b>10,414</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>187,471</b>	<b>191,479</b>
<b>Net income / (expenditure) before transfer</b>	<b>-1,413</b>	<b>6,303</b>	<b>-8,237</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-3,447</b>	<b>-665</b>
<b>Transfers:</b>						
Gross transfers between funds – in	-	-	175	-	175	1,525
Gross transfers between funds – out	-	-	-175	-	-175	-1,525
<b>Other recognised gains/losses</b>						
Gains/losses on investment assets	-	-	-	161	161	1,044
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, etc	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>-1,413</b>	<b>6,303</b>	<b>-8,237</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>-3,186</b>	<b>979</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>						
<b>Total funds b/f from 2023</b>	<b>333,409</b>	<b>7,961</b>	<b>57,766</b>	<b>21,658</b>	<b>420,795</b>	<b>419,816</b>
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>331,996</b>	<b>14,264</b>	<b>49,529</b>	<b>21,819</b>	<b>417,609</b>	<b>420,795</b>
<b>Represented by</b>						
<b>Unrestricted</b>						
General Fund	331,996	-	-	-	331,996	333,409
<b>Designated</b>						
Halls Income And Expenditure Fund	-	14,264	-	-	14,264	7,961
<b>Restricted</b>						
Hall Equipment	-	-	989	-	989	989
Len Ellis Restricted Fund	-	-	194	-	194	2,494
Mawby Memorial Income Fund	-	-	256	-	256	49
Ministry Support	-	-	8,950	-	8,950	13,300
Mission To Young People	-	-	4,541	-	4,541	6,229
Project 125 Fund	-	-	33,369	-	33,369	33,559
Staff Training	-	-	866	-	866	866
Vicar's Discretionary Fund	-	-	93	-	93	105
<b>Endowment</b>						
Mawby Memorial Endowment Fund	-	-	-	21,819	21,819	21,658

*There may be minor discrepancies in the totals where the pence are not shown*



## Balance Sheet at 31 December 2024

	As at 31/12/2024	As at 31/12/2023
<b>Fixed assets</b>		
Former curate's house*	87,000	87,000
<b>Total Fixed assets</b>	<b>87,000</b>	<b>87,000</b>
<b>Current assets</b>		
Bank current account	13,784	15,844
Planned Giving Account	10	36
Bank deposit account	30,680	50,798
Mawby Income Account (R)	783	321
Len Ellis Account (R)	530	530
CCLA (CBF) deposit account	269,679	256,086
Mawby Endowment Investments	7,210	7,048
Petty Cash	200	200
Cash in hand	497	-
Accounts receivable	8,014	9,431
<b>Total Current assets</b>	<b>331,387</b>	<b>340,295</b>
Accounts payable	678	6,500
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>678</b>	<b>6,500</b>
<b>Net Asset surplus (deficit)</b>	<b>417,609</b>	<b>420,795</b>
<b>Reserves</b>		
Excess/(deficit) to date	-3,347	49,285
Starting balances	420,795	369,865
Gains/(losses) on investment assets	161	1,644
<b>Total Reserves</b>	<b>417,609</b>	<b>420,795</b>
<b>Represented by Funds</b>		
General (Unrestricted)	331,996	333,409
Designated (Halls Income and Expenditure)	14,264	7,961
Restricted	49,520	57,766
Endowment	21,819	21,658
<b>Total</b>	<b>417,609</b>	<b>420,795</b>

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*\* The value attributed to the former curate's house in the Balance Sheet is its original purchase in November 1998 on a historic cost basis. Its value on 31/12/2024 is estimated to be £389,000.*

## Analysis of Income 2024

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total 2024	Total 2023
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>						
<b>Donations and legacies</b>						
Gift Aided Donations by SO	83,545	-	-	-	83,545	77,625
Gift Aided Donations by Envelope	4,027	-	-	-	4,027	3,620
Other planned giving	4,470	-	-	-	4,470	5,474
Loose plate collections	2,926	-	-	-	2,926	2,598
One-off Gift Aid gifts	770	-	455	-	1,225	4,912
Donations appeals etc	2,763	-	1,468	-	4,030	721
Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	22,252	-	46	-	22,299	23,450
Legacies	-	-	-	-	-	460
Non-recurring one-off grants	-	-	-	-	-	13,300
Other funds generated	32	-	-	-	32	161
<b>Donations and legacies Totals</b>	<b>120,785</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,969</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>122,754</b>	<b>132,322</b>
<b>Income from charitable activities</b>						
Income from Church Events	1,108	-	-	-	1,108	3,680
Votive candles	72	-	-	-	72	38
Catering/refreshments	1,984	-	-	-	1,984	2,143
Flowers	30	-	-	-	30	134
Fees for weddings and funerals	3,656	-	-	-	3,656	5,915
<b>Income from charitable activities –</b>	<b>6,849</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,849</b>	<b>11,911</b>
<b>Other trading activities</b>						
Church hall lettings - fund raising	-	21,626	-	-	21,626	22,721
Photocopying, etc	12	-	-	-	12	4
<b>Other trading activities Totals</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>21,626</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>21,638</b>	<b>22,724</b>
<b>Investments</b>						
Dividends	-	-	196	-	196	739
Bank interest	14,345	-	12	-	14,357	12,273
Rent from Curate's House	12,000	-	-	-	12,000	10,800
<b>Investments Totals</b>	<b>26,345</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>26,553</b>	<b>12,296</b>
<b>Other income</b>						
On-line shopping income	-	-	-	-	-	44
Insurance claims	6,330	-	-	-	6,330	-
<b>Other income Totals</b>	<b>6,330</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,330</b>	<b>44</b>
<b>Income and endowments –</b>	<b>160,322</b>	<b>21,626</b>	<b>2,177</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>184,124</b>	<b>190,813</b>

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## Analysis of Expenditure 2024

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total 2024	Total 2023
<b>Expenditure on:</b>						
<b>Raising funds</b>						
Refreshments and other event	680	-	-	-	680	554
<b>Raising funds Totals</b>	<b>680</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>680</b>	<b>554</b>
<b>Expenditure on charitable activities</b>						
Missionary societies	3,125	-	-	-	3,125	4,400
Relief and development agencies	3,125	-	322	-	3,447	1,169
Home mission	6,550	-	-	-	6,550	6,623
Secular charities	-	-	-	-	-	1,100
Parish share	75,344	-	-	-	75,344	71,757
Fees paid to Diocese	2,013	-	-	-	2,013	2,979
Assistant staff costs	158	-	100	-	258	47
Parish administrator	5,476	5,476	-	-	10,952	10,078
Youth and Children's Worker	-	-	4,744	-	4,744	-
Clergy expenses	1,685	-	387	-	2,072	1,373
Council tax	2,753	-	-	-	2,753	2,767
Water rates – vicarage	941	-	-	-	941	650
Vicar's telephone	455	-	-	-	455	181
Publicity	303	-	-	-	303	232
Education	36	-	-	-	36	-
Children's Work Expenses	-	-	1,828	-	1,828	927
Parish training and mission	-	-	-	-	-	60
Church insurance	5,368	-	-	-	5,368	5,619
Church office – telephone	-	455	-	-	455	810
Organ/piano tuning	-	-	-	-	-	438
Organist	3,560	-	-	-	3,560	3,800
Church maintenance	1,759	-	-	-	1,759	1,938
Cleaning	433	15	-	-	448	494
Upkeep of services	87	-	859	-	946	1,180
Flowers	102	-	-	-	102	154
Upkeep of churchyard	4,733	-	-	-	4,733	1,288
Administration	1,393	-	-	-	1,393	1,688
Church running - electricity	2,268	-	-	-	2,268	1,855
Church running - gas	7,108	-	-	-	7,108	5,362
Church running - water	627	-	-	-	627	533
Hall running - electricity	-	1,376	-	-	1,376	1,521
Hall running - gas	-	3,344	-	-	3,344	2,239
Hall running - insurance	-	2,684	-	-	2,684	2,499
Hall running - maintenance	-	1,174	-	-	1,174	4,669
Hall running - water	-	774	-	-	774	483
Church major repairs - structure	8,870	-	-	-	8,870	-
Church major repair - installation	1,555	-	-	-	1,555	32,864
Hall – major repairs - installation	2,210	-	-	-	2,210	4,993
Hall – interior/exterior decoration	-	-	-	-	-	495
Hall – Equipment	282	25	98	-	307	2,722
Curate's house - upkeep	2,838	-	-	-	2,838	2,470
Church equipment	15,556	-	1,441	-	16,997	2,013
<b>Expenditure on charitable activities –</b>	<b>160,714</b>	<b>15,322</b>	<b>9,682</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>185,718</b>	<b>186,471</b>
<b>Other expenditure</b>						
Staff training	-	-	102	-	102	145
Bank charges	132	-	-	-	132	140
Professional fees	209	-	630	-	839	4,169
<b>Other expenditure Totals</b>	<b>341</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>732</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,073</b>	<b>4,454</b>
<b>Expenditure Grand totals</b>	<b>161,735</b>	<b>15,322</b>	<b>10,414</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>187,471</b>	<b>191,479</b>

*There may be minor discrepancies in the totals where the pence are not shown*

## Charitable Giving 2024

### Missionary societies

Crosslinks (re Alex & Susannah Maclean)	3,125
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### Relief & Development Agencies

Disasters Emergency Committee	3,447
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### Home Mission

Charles Thompson Mission	3,125
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The Barn/Wirral Waters Project	3,125
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Support for local families	300
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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12,822</b>
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## Church and Halls Major Expenditure 2024

	FUNDS	
	General	Len Ellis Restricted
<b>Church building</b>		
Roof repairs	8,870	
Lightning conductor repairs	1,555	
Acquisition of new chairs	15,526	
Audio Visual/Music Equipment		1,441
<b>Church Halls</b>		
Barrett Hall lighting	2,210	
<b>Total</b>	<b>28,161</b>	<b>1,441</b>

## Halls Income and Expenditure 2024

		<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
<b>Income</b>			
Income from hire of halls/rooms		21,626	22,721
<b>Expenditure</b>			
Parish Administrator (50%)	5,476	5,039	
Electricity	1,376	1,521	
Gas	3,344	2,239	
Insurance	2,684	2,499	
Maintenance	1,174	4,669	
Telephone	455	810	
Water	774	483	
Equipment	25	1,170	
Repairs	-	240	
Decoration	-	495	
Cleaning	15	15,323	118
			19,283
Net surplus/loss		6,303	3,438

## Fund Movements Summary 2024

Fund	Balance 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan	Incoming Resource	Outgoing Resource	Gains/ Losses	Transfers	Balance 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec
<b>Unrestricted</b>						
General Fund	333,409	160,322	161,735	-	-	331,996
<b>Designated</b>						
Halls Income And Expenditure Fund	7,961	21,626	15,322	-	-	14,264
<b>Restricted</b>						
Hall Equipment Fund	1,164	-	-	-	-175	989
Len Ellis Fund	2,494	-	2,300	-	-	194
Mawby Memorial Income Fund	49	208	-	-	-	256
Ministry Support	13,300	796	5,321	-	-	8,950
Mission To Young People Fund	6,229	140	1,828	-	175	4,541
Project 125 Fund	33,559	711	630	-	-	33,639
Staff Training Fund	866	-	-	-	-	866
Vicar's Discretionary Fund	105	-	12	-	-	93
<b>Endowment</b>						
Mawby Memorial Endowment Fund	21,658	-	-	161	-	21,819
<b>Totals</b>	<b>420,795</b>	<b>184,124</b>	<b>187,471</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>417,609</b>