

# Report of the Trustees & Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2025

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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 2025**. 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 2025 focussing on God's sovereign work through all things for the good of those who love Him (Romans 8v28). We then saw that truth in the story of Joseph, climaxing in his words to his brothers, how they had intended to harm, "but God intended it for good" (Genesis 50v20). In advance of my sabbatical (see below), and a year that would bring deep sadness for some, these are parts of Scripture that bring home the privilege it is to be involved in caring for souls and pointing a congregation to this good God who in His perfect purposes for us, doesn't spare us from difficulties, but is with us through everything.

Alongside regular activities, the year was particularly punctuated by the following:

**Completion of the toilets and servery phase of Project 125.** The early part of the year to May was dominated by the long planned works at the back of church. We are grateful for the end result which is a success both in terms of functionality and how well the servery especially, sits visually within the building. The updated facilities achieve the original aim of giving us

a building that is fit for purpose as we seek to offer welcome and hospitality. I want to express thanks especially to the P125 committee who ended up serving for longer than envisaged (the pandemic disrupting plans to complete these works in time for the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary).

**Sabbatical (May to July).** With the generous support of the PCC and diocesan permission, I took a 3 month sabbatical, my first having been in full-time paid Christian ministry of one kind or another since graduating in 2000, and in ordained ministry for 12 years. I'm very grateful to the PCC for making funds available to support one sabbatical aim in particular, to visit our mission partners in Senegal. I also made time to rest, read and enjoy time to study without regular routines and responsibilities. My family and I, and as a whole church family, we're indebted to all those who served in various ways including additional leading and preaching. Besides the immediate need to cover tasks, the sabbatical gave opportunity to pivot somewhat in how we structure ourselves for the size of church we are, and in anticipation for any continued growth the Lord might bring. This is an area I want to continue to focus on and for wardens and PCC to think through as we recognise that in a healthy church each part of the body has a part to play in serving, utilising the gifts Jesus gives.

**The Prenton Dell Centre.** As with the P125 works, the completion of the community asset transfer for the Prenton Dell Library took longer than expected. Let me express thanks again to those who helped with this, especially Richard Fearnely who was deeply engaged in back-and-forth communication with various parties involved. Whilst waiting to complete initial refurb, fitting out and furnishing, we were able to host guests who attended the Dell street nativity which was exciting.

**Community Outreach Leader.** In God's providential timing, the assignment of the lease and handover of the library building happened two days after Pete Boorne joined us, along with the family, to lead on this project. It has been exciting to shift to a larger staff team with the ideas and possibilities that brings, and see the church family welcoming the Boornes.

**Quiet Revival.** Finally, including the time I was on sabbatical, what has been recognised nationally has been clearly visible in a small way here in Prenton. We have enjoyed a steady stream of enquirers visiting on Sundays, with some joining enquirers courses and now attending regularly. It is exciting that bibles and gospels are regular available and being taken by guests as they investigate Jesus. The year ended with really well attended Christmas events and services with the good news of Jesus going out.

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. Do join me in giving thanks for the ways God was clearly at work, for our good and His glory in 2025.

*Matt Graham*

## REPORTS

### Birkenhead Deanery Synod Report

Three meetings were held in 2025 with input given as follows:

- February –Jon Pocock (Strategic Programme Director for Chester Diocese)
- June - Bessia Kanengoni (Diocesan Digital Giving Advisor)
- October - Alex Fisher (Faith Development Officer, Wirral Borough Council)

Paul Bentley of Christ the King continues to serve as rural dean, with a rotation of assistance from other chapter clergy: Revd Keith Addenbrooke (St James & St Bede) for the first part of the year, and Revd Janet Arnold (Woodchurch) currently. The vacancy at St Saviours was filled by Revd Marc Wolverson. There are current vacancies in both Tranmere parishes of St Catherines, and St Paul's and St Luke's. Our three deanery synod reps serving their last full year of three were Joel Giblett, Joan Potts and Jenny Webb.

*Matt Graham*

### Churchwardens Report April 2026

What an exciting time it is seeing God at work in Prenton. Growth in home groups, in the teams serving on Sundays, in the staff team and in new events reaching out to the community. These all bring with them lots of excitement and a degree of increasing complexity in our operation. So, what's been happening to the props for this work over the last year?

The servery and toilets at the back of the church were completed this year. They have been a significant blessing to us, enabling both new refreshment offers (one for the 'real' coffee snobs!) and events to be held in church much more readily. The Quiz Night, for example, was a great evening (many thanks to Andy Davies and Phil Steventon), supported by these facilities. Teething issues were always likely. We are very grateful to the refreshments team and Peter Horton

in particular, for many hours of work to help make the system function. We are in the process of putting in heaters in the toilets to make them a less chilling experience in winter.

Our services are now benefiting from a new Visual system, which we hope will streamline three people's work into one in the near future. This has required some simplification of our online offer, but should enable us to function with a smaller team. We are very grateful to the team who have been serving in the background each week to support our services, and who gave up time to learn a new system. Many thanks also to Matt Graham and Pete Boorne, who did a huge amount of work to make this system operational.

There is a great team of part-time workers and volunteers who help keep our buildings in good shape. Many thanks to Aby Horton for her regular cleaning of church. Sean, the handyman, has been a consistent help for us, from fixing boilers to moving baby changing facilities. Niko, the plumber, has fixed taps and looked after our heating systems. Also special thanks to Neil Ward for his expert knowledge which has saved us a lot of expense across many projects. PCC has also just appointed a new cleaning company to keep the Halls in a clean shape for our many users.

Chris Phillips is stepping down as Churchwarden at the APCM. Our Buildings Committee will need a new leader, and it also needs additional expertise as team members. The Committee is tasked with organising many of the jobs that keep our buildings going and reporting to PCC, ably supported by Jenny Webb. If you feel this committee is something you could contribute to (or just helping with the occasional job around the church), please speak to Rich Dunning or Matt Graham.

Pointing out stonework improvements has been on our architect's list for years. We have undertaken the first round of chiseling and filling, making safer the building and protecting it from the elements. There is an ongoing need to keep on top of the stonework from a health and safety perspective as well as keeping it aesthetically pleasing and functioning.

Not all of the Building Committee's work is heavy. We are in the process of making replacements to our lights within the church building, having started at the back of the aisles. This should help us to be both more energy efficient and give us greater flexibility in how the building is lit.

Thank you to Rosie Earp and Richard Fearnley for their unceasing energy supply in dealing with our electricity and gas providers. Negotiating a fair price to keep the chill at bay hasn't been straightforward, but we are grateful for their work.

The opportunities for doing good are massive. We are so grateful to God for bringing in many new people to hear His good news this year as well as the sweet sound of the gospel for people who have been coming for decades. The stonework, coffees, cleaning, lights, presentation software and much more have their roles to play in God's big plan for His church. We're grateful to have partnered with a brilliant team in doing this background work in the context of God's blessings and encouragement this year.

***Richard Dunning and Chris Phillips - Churchwardens***

### **PCC Secretary Report for 2025**

The PCC began the year in 2025 with 16 trustees. We welcomed Ruth Froggatt who was elected to serve on the PCC and also re-elected Daniel Davies, therefore we closed the year with 17 trustees. Richard Dunning along with Chris Phillips were both re-elected as Church Wardens for St Stephen's.

This year has been one of steady faithfulness, renewed energy, and deepening community life within our parish. Our discussions have been marked by honesty, hope and a desire to serve the parish of Prenton well.

Members for 2025 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 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
Mr Daniel Davies	Retires 2028
Mrs Ruth Froggatt	Retires 2028
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, having made the decision to move to fewer meetings on a trial basis for this year, met 6 times, 5 of which were planned meetings with one extraordinary meeting taking place in June. Each meeting began with a reading and/or Bible thought and prayer and ended with prayer. With our Vicar on sabbatical for three months, Pete Earp chaired 3 of our meetings, in his capacity as lay chairman.

Our sub-committees have taken 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 & Mission Group Report

The PCC continues to serve with hope and integrity as we discern God's leading for the year ahead.

*Jenny Webb, PCC Secretary*

**Treasurer's Report for year ending 31/12/2025**

**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 2024 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 2024 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 2024 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 2024. In particular, total income from donations and legacies rose from £120,785 to £149,433 (+23.7%). This figure included a very substantial one-off gift which is unlikely to be repeated. If one-off gifts are excluded then the increase in the more regular income is a more realistic but still welcome +9.3%. In relation to income from hall lettings, as managed through a designated fund, this fell slightly from £21,626 in 2024 to £20,499 in 2025. However, the expenditure from the designated fund was £19,668, so finances associated with the halls remained in surplus (£831), though this was substantially down from the surplus in 2024 (£6,303). As regards interest on general deposited funds the income fell significantly from £14,345 in 2024 to £10,327 in 2025. This is primarily due to the substantial drawing down over the course of the year of in excess of £69,000 in cash held on deposit with the CoFE Central Board of Finance Deposit Fund in order to fund the large amounts of expenditure incurred in 2025 (see under *Expenditure* below and the second table on page 12). Overall the total of all unrestricted income was £199,032, an increase of 9.4% over the equivalent 2024 figure of £181,948. Income accruing to the various restricted funds amounted to £122,476 compared to £2,177 in 2024. This was due primarily to the church receiving a number of substantial grants during the year, including £33,200 from the Church Commissioners Disability Fund (to assist with the installation of a new disabled toilet in the church), £14,063 from the Listed Places of Worship Scheme as effectively a refund of VAT on various works carried out in the church, and £71,213 from Wirral Council to assist with expected expenditure on rent for, and the refitting of, the former Library premises in Prenton Dell, the lease of which was acquired during the year.

**Expenditure:** Unrestricted and designated fund expenditure in 2025 amounted to £245,279, compared to £177,058 in 2024, an increase of £68,221. The main factors behind the increase were—

- an increase of £2,261 (+3%) in the Parish Share payments;
- an increase in the cost of employing an increased number of staff from £14,512 in 2024 to £33,556 in 2025;
- increases in the church's energy costs from £14,096 in 2024 to £17,958 in 2025 (+27.4%); and
- expenditure on various major works as detailed in the second table on page 12 – though the majority of the expenditure was charged against various restricted funds, as shown in the table, there remained costs totalling £52,460 that were borne out of the General Fund.

Expenditure out of the various restricted funds and the endowment fund amounted to £116,086. The bulk of this expenditure (£103,504) was in relation to the major works already referred and as detailed in the second table on page 12. As a result of this expenditure, all the balances held previously in the Len Ellis Fund, the Mawby Memorial Restricted Fund, the Project 125 Fund and the Mawby Memorial Endowment Fund were reduced to zero during the year.

**Summary:** As shown in the SOFA on page 8, both unrestricted income and expenditure (including via the Halls Designated Fund) increased compared to the equivalent figures in 2024. The overall outcome was an unrestricted deficit of -£47,078. In relation to the Halls finances, the increase in expenditure and the decrease in income resulted in an overall reduced surplus of £831.

In terms of the PCC's assets, as the Balance Sheet on page 9 shows, the value of these was substantially reduced from £417,609 in 2024 to £377,552 in 2025. As can be seen from the balance sheet, this stemmed from a reduction in the value of the General Fund (-£47,608), a small increase in the Designated Fund (+£831), an increase in the value of the Restricted Funds (£28,540) – due mainly to the holding of an as yet unspent grant from Wirral Council (£71,213) and the elimination of the Endowment Fund (-£21,819).

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, the curate's house, which it owns, and the premises that formerly housed the Prenton Dell Library, the long lease of which was acquired from Wirral Council during the year.

### 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 the charity's aims and objectives as a parish.

#### **Buildings Committee**

A working group to facilitate and progress plans for the building works that are required from time to time at the church and church halls, and also 89 Prenton Hall Road and the Dell Centre.

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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 2025/26 (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 6<sup>th</sup> March 2026 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 2025.

***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 26<sup>th</sup> February 2026

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## Statement of Financial Activities 2025

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total Funds	
					2025	2024
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>						
Donations and legacies	149,433	-	122,476	-	271,909	122,754
Income from charitable activities	6,473	-	-	-	6,473	6,849
Other trading activities	-	20,499	-	-	20,499	21,638
Investments	22,327	-	50	-	22,376	26,553
Other income	300	-	-	-	300	6,330
<b>Total income</b>	<b>178,533</b>	<b>20,499</b>	<b>122,525</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>321,557</b>	<b>184,124</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>						
Raising funds	1,387	-	-	-	1,387	680
Expenditure on charitable activities	212,588	19,668	83,132	22,051	337,439	185,718
Other expenditure	11,636	-	10,854	50	22,539	1,073
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>225,611</b>	<b>19,668</b>	<b>93,985</b>	<b>22,101</b>	<b>361,365</b>	<b>187,471</b>
<b>Net income / (expenditure) before transfer</b>	<b>-47,078</b>	<b>831</b>	<b>28,540</b>	<b>-22,101</b>	<b>-39,808</b>	<b>-3,347</b>
<b>Transfers:</b>						
Gross transfers between funds – in	322	-	4,322	-	4,645	175
Gross transfers between funds – out	-322	-	-4,322	-	-4,645	-175
<b>Other recognised gains/losses</b>						
Gains/losses on investment assets	-530	-	-	282	-248	161
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, etc	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>-47,608</b>	<b>831</b>	<b>28,540</b>	<b>-21,819</b>	<b>-40,056</b>	<b>-3,186</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>						
<b>Total funds b/f from 2023</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>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>284,388</b>	<b>15,095</b>	<b>78,069</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>377,552</b>	<b>417,609</b>
<b>Represented by</b>						
<b>Unrestricted</b>						
General Fund	284,388	-	-	-	284,388	331,996
<b>Designated</b>						
Halls Income And Expenditure Fund	-	15,095	-	-	15,095	14,264
<b>Restricted</b>						
Hall Equipment	-	-	989	-	989	989
Len Ellis Restricted Fund	-	-	-	-	-	194
Mawby Memorial Income Fund	-	-	-	-	-	256
Ministry Support	-	-	-	-	-	8,950
Mission To Young People	-	-	2,357	-	2,357	4,541
Prenton Dell Project	-	-	74,671	-	74,671	-
Project 125 Fund	-	-	-	-	-	33,639
Staff Training	-	-	-	-	-	866
Vicar's Discretionary Fund	-	-	53	-	53	93
<b>Endowment</b>						
Mawby Memorial Endowment Fund	-	-	-	-	-	21,819

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



# Balance Sheet at 31 December 2025

	As at 31/12/2025	As at 31/12/2024
<b>Fixed assets</b>		
Former curate's house (89 Prenton Hall Road)*	87,000	87,000
<b>Total Fixed assets</b>	<b>87,000</b>	<b>87,000</b>
<b>Current assets</b>		
Bank current account	9,074	13,784
Planned Giving Account	10	10
Bank deposit account	71,503	30,680
Mawby Income Account (R)	5	783
Len Ellis Account (R)	-	530
CCLA (CBF) deposit account	200,546	269,679
Mawby Endowment Investments	-	7,210
Petty Cash	200	200
Cash in hand	1,157	497
Accounts receivable	8,058	8,014
<b>Total Current assets</b>	<b>290,552</b>	<b>331,387</b>
Accounts payable	-	778
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>778</b>
<b>Net Asset surplus (deficit)</b>	<b>377,552</b>	<b>417,609</b>
<b>Reserves</b>		
Excess/(deficit) to date	-39,808	45,938
Starting balances at beginning of year	417,609	371,509
Gains/(losses) on investment assets	-248	161
<b>Total Reserves</b>	<b>377,552</b>	<b>417,609</b>
<b>Represented by Funds</b>		
General (Unrestricted)	284,388	331,996
Designated (Halls Income and Expenditure)	15,095	14,264
Restricted	78,069	49,529
Endowment	-	21,819
<b>Total</b>	<b>377,552</b>	<b>417,609</b>

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

*\* The value attributed to the former curate's house in the Balance Sheet is its original purchase value in November 1998 on a historic cost basis. Its value on 31/12/2025 is estimated to be £397,000.*

## Analysis of Income 2025

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total 2025	Total 2024
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>						
<b>Donations and legacies</b>						
Gift Aided Donations by SO	87,920	-	-	-	87,920	83,545
Gift Aided Donations by Envelope	4,520	-	-	-	4,520	4,027
Other planned giving	4,640	-	-	-	4,640	4,470
Loose plate collections	1,971	-	-	-	1,971	2,926
One-off Gift Aid gifts	18,230	-	4,000	-	22,230	1,225
Donations appeals etc	2,052	-	-	-	2,052	4,230
Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	29,425	-	-	-	29,425	22,299
Legacies	-	-	-	-	-	-
Non-recurring one-off grants	400	-	118,476	-	118,876	-
Other funds generated	275	-	-	-	275	32
<b>Donations and legacies Totals</b>	<b>149,433</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>122,476</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>271,909</b>	<b>122,754</b>
<b>Income from charitable activities</b>						
Income from Church Events	1,195	-	-	-	1,195	1,108
Votive candles	25	-	-	-	25	72
Catering/refreshments	2,164	-	-	-	2,164	1,984
Flowers	25	-	-	-	25	30
Fees for weddings and funerals	2,972	-	-	-	2,972	3,656
Book sales to promote objectives	92	-	-	-	92	-
<b>Income from charitable activities –</b>	<b>6,473</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,473</b>	<b>6,849</b>
<b>Other trading activities</b>						
Church hall lettings - fund raising	-	20,499	-	-	20,499	21,626
Photocopying, etc	-	-	-	-	-	12
<b>Other trading activities Totals</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>20,499</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>20,499</b>	<b>21,638</b>
<b>Investments</b>						
Dividends	-	-	50	-	50	196
Bank interest	10,327	-	-	-	10,327	14,357
Rent from Curate's House	12,000	-	-	-	12,000	12,000
<b>Investments Totals</b>	<b>22,327</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>22,376</b>	<b>26,553</b>
<b>Other income</b>						
Insurance claims	-	-	-	-	-	6,330
Surplus – sale of fixed assets	300	-	-	-	300	-
<b>Other income Totals</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>6,330</b>
<b>Income and endowments –</b>	<b>178,533</b>	<b>20,499</b>	<b>122,525</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>321,557</b>	<b>184,124</b>

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## Analysis of Expenditure 2025

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total 2025	Total 2024
<b>Expenditure on:</b>						
<b>Raising funds</b>						
Refreshments and other event	1,387	-	-	-	1,387	680
<b>Raising funds Totals</b>	<b>1,387</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,387</b>	<b>680</b>
<b>Expenditure on charitable activities</b>						
Missionary societies	3,625	-	-	-	3,625	3,125
Relief and development agencies	2,420	-	-	-	2,420	3,447
Home mission	6,510	-	40	-	6,550	6,550
Parish share	77,605	-	-	-	77,605	75,344
Fees paid to Diocese	2,052	-	-	-	2,052	2,013
Assistant staff costs	-	-	-	-	-	258
Parish administrator	5,887	5,887	-	-	11,774	10,952
Youth and Children's Worker	6,467	-	8,950	-	15,417	4,744
Community Outreach Leader	11,835	-	-	-	11,835	-
Clergy expenses	1,200	-	-	-	1,200	2,072
Council tax	2,897	-	-	-	2,897	2,753
Vicarage expenses	3,239	-	-	-	3,239	-
Water rates – vicarage	1,166	-	-	-	1,166	941
Vicar's telephone	439	-	-	-	439	455
Publicity	290	-	-	-	290	303
Outreach materials	195	-	-	-	195	-
Education	-	-	-	-	-	36
Children's Work Expenses	-	-	2,185	-	2,185	1,828
Parish training and mission	146	-	-	-	146	-
Church insurance	7,380	-	-	-	7,380	5,368
Church office – telephone	-	439	-	-	439	455
Organist	3,480	-	-	-	3,480	3,560
Church maintenance	1,583	-	-	-	1,583	1,759
Cleaning	1,406	58	-	-	1,465	448
Upkeep of services	1,076	-	-	-	1,076	946
Flowers	-	-	-	-	-	102
Upkeep of churchyard	2,580	-	-	-	2,580	4,733
Administration	2,802	-	-	-	2,802	1,393
Church running - electricity	2,451	-	-	-	2,451	2,268
Church running - gas	9,098	-	-	-	9,098	7,108
Church running - water	582	-	-	-	582	627
Hall running - electricity	-	1,412	-	-	1,412	1,376
Hall running - gas	-	4,997	-	-	4,997	3,344
Hall running - insurance	-	1,169	-	-	1,169	2,684
Hall running - maintenance	-	4,375	-	-	4,375	1,174
Hall running - water	-	1,330	-	-	1,330	774
Church major repairs - structure	7,009	-	-	15,664	22,673	8,870
Church major repair - installation	37,841	-	68,761	6,387	112,989	1,555
Hall – major repairs - installation	990	-	-	-	990	2,210
Hall – Equipment	1,172	-	-	-	1,172	307
Curate's house - upkeep	3,462	-	-	-	3,462	2,838
Prenton Dell Project	1,098	-	542	-	1,640	-
Church equipment	2,603	-	2,654	-	5,257	16,997
<b>Expenditure on charitable activities –</b>	<b>212,588</b>	<b>19,668</b>	<b>83,132</b>	<b>22,051</b>	<b>337,439</b>	<b>185,718</b>
<b>Other expenditure</b>						
Staff training	342	-	866	-	1,209	102
Bank charges	94	-	-	-	94	132
Professional fees	11,199	-	9,987	50	21,236	839
<b>Other expenditure Totals</b>	<b>11,636</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>10,854</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>22,539</b>	<b>1,073</b>
<b>Expenditure Grand totals</b>	<b>225,611</b>	<b>19,668</b>	<b>93,985</b>	<b>22,101</b>	<b>361,365</b>	<b>187,471</b>

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## Charitable Giving 2025

### Missionary societies

Crosslinks (re Alex & Susannah Maclean) 3,625

### Relief & Development Agencies

Tear Fund 2,420

### Home Mission

Charles Thompson Mission 2,420

Church at The Barn 1,820

NW Partnership Bursary Fund 1,820

Support for local families 490

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**TOTAL 12,595**

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## Church and Halls Major Expenditure 2025

### FUNDS

<b>Church building</b>	Total	General	P125 Fund (R)	Mawby (R)	Mawby (E)	Len Ellis (R)
Servery & Toilets	115,260	32,679	80,903	50	1,628	
Lady Chapel	5,065			256	4,809	
Stonework	22,673	7,009			15,664	
Audio Visual/Music Equipment	7,400	7,206				194
Lighting	4,576	4,576				
<b>Church Halls</b>						
New Window	990	990				
<b>Total</b>	<b>155,964</b>	<b>52,460</b>	<b>80,903</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>22,101</b>	<b>194</b>

## Halls Income and Expenditure 2025

		<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
<b>Income</b>			
Income from hire of halls/rooms		20,499	21,626
<b>Expenditure</b>			
Parish Administrator (50%)	5,887	5,476	
Electricity	1,412	1,376	
Gas	4,997	3,344	
Insurance	1,169	2,684	
Maintenance	4,375	1,174	
Telephone	439	455	
Water	1,330	774	
Equipment	-	25	
Repairs	-	-	
Decoration	-	-	
Cleaning	58	19,668	15,323
Net surplus/loss		<u>831</u>	<u>6,303</u>

## Fund Movements Summary 2025

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	331,996	178,533	225,611	-530	-	284,388
<b>Designated</b>						
Halls Income And Expenditure Fund	14,264	20,499	19,668	-	-	15,095
<b>Restricted</b>						
Hall Equipment Fund	989	-	-	-	-	989
Len Ellis Fund	194	-	194	-	-	-
Mawby Memorial Income Fund	256	50	306	-	-	-
Ministry Support	8,950	-	8950	-	-	-
Mission To Young People Fund	4,541	4,000	2,185	-4,000	-	2,357
Project 125 Fund	33,639	47,263	80,903	-	-	-
Prenton Dell Project	-	71,213	542	4,000	-	74,671
Staff Training Fund	866	-	866	-	-	-
Vicar's Discretionary Fund	93	-	40	-	-	53
<b>Endowment</b>						
Mawby Memorial Endowment Fund	21,819	-	22,101	282	-	-
<b>Totals</b>	<b>417,609</b>	<b>321,557</b>	<b>361,365</b>	<b>-248</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>377,552</b>