

ST MARY ABBOTS CHURCH, KENSINGTON

PCC MEMBERS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS PCC MEMBERS AND ADVISERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

PCC members

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 The Rev'd Timothy Carroll, Clergy - Associate Vicar
 The Rev'd Dr Evan McWilliams, Clergy - Associate Vicar
 Edward Warrick, Churchwarden - Vice-Chairman
 Guy Heald, Churchwarden, Hon. Treasurer
 Bunmi Adefuye, Hon. PCC Secretary
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 Christopher Bellamy, Elected Member
 Alison Bertlin, Elected Member
 Rona Davis, Elected Member
 James Dunford Wood, Elected Member
 Nigel Grieve, Elected Member
 Margaret Pringle, Elected Member
 Rebecca Tinsley, Elected Member
 Hakan Sandal-Wilson, Deanery Synod Representative
 David Shaw, Deanery Synod Representative
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Charity registered number

1132235

Independent auditors

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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS PCC MEMBERS AND ADVISERS
(CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

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PCC MEMBERS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Parochial Church Council

The Parochial Church Council of St Mary Abbots, Kensington ('the PCC') is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956 and is also a charity registered in England and Wales (charity no. 1132235). The PCC is responsible for and is charged with cooperating with the Vicar in promoting, the whole mission of the church.

Since the PCC was registered as a charity in 2009, its members are also registered as trustees of the charity. Elections for one-third of the members of the PCC are held each year at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting ('APCM'). PCC members serve for three-year terms before offering themselves for re-election, should they choose to do so. The appointment of PCC members is governed by, and set out in, the Church Representation Rules. Deanery Synod representatives are ex-officio members of the PCC and elections to the Deanery Synod are held at the APCM every three years. Churchwardens are elected annually at a Meeting of the Parishioners which precedes the APCM. Churchwardens and clergy licensed to the parish are also ex-officio members of the PCC. The APCM is normally required to be held before the end of May each year. The PCC met six times in 2025 with meetings being chaired by the Vicar or, in her absence, the lay Vice-Chair.

The PCC delegates various matters of business to the Standing and Finance Committee which meets, in particular, to discuss and make decisions about financial and legal matters, and whose remit also includes matters relating to staff and the church centre. The Standing and Finance Committee met four times in 2025.

Risk assessment

The PCC has considered the major risks to which the church may be subject, and appropriate systems have been put into place to manage and mitigate those risks.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES, ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE, AND PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

Vicar's report 2025

Rev'd Emma Dinwiddy Smith

I am very pleased to be able to report, once again, that 2025 was a year of growth and celebration in our congregation, as we put into practice the skills and ideas learned through the Grow Course in 2024.

Our average Usual Sunday Attendance across the four services rose from 219 at the end of 2024 to 253 at the end of 2025, with perhaps the most significant area of this growth being seen in our ministry to children and young people. An average of 38 children attended on Sundays, and in termtime, this sometimes reached a total of over 50, for which we owe huge thanks to the tireless ministry of Martina Sadovska, our Children's Worker and her wonderful team of volunteers. We give thanks to God for this opportunity to develop the faith of the next generation.

This year, we welcomed 5 adults and 18 children into the church through baptism, and 30 for confirmation, as well as officiating at 9 weddings and 6 funerals at the church. Many of these have resulted in new connections with families and friends who have continued to worship with us. We offer 21 services a week throughout the year, five on Zoom and the rest in the church and are grateful to our virgers, Simon and Martina, who support every service behind the scenes.

In this final year of our current Mission Action Plan, having focused primarily on Welcome in 2024, we sought to build on the focal areas of Discipleship and Outreach.

Alongside our commitment to growth, we had discerned through the Grow Course the continuing need for greater depth and learning in our Christian faith (Discipleship). Fr Evan organised three very well-received lectures by outside speakers on the Nicene Creed (as the church celebrated the 1700th anniversary of the Council of Nicaea). Fr Tim took on the organisation of a Lent series, which drew together a five-session course from St Martin-in-the-Fields looking at famous Biblical paintings under the theme of "Who is my Neighbour?", with a sermon series on the same theme, and Sunday visits and talks by five of the local "neighbour" charities we support.

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PCC MEMBERS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Fr Tim also led on our Outreach to our local community and beyond, leading an expanded team on the Glass Door Sleepout, which, through the generosity of congregation members and some matchfunding from employers raised the wonderful sum of £21,000 for Glass Door homeless shelters! In addition, we repeated the successful Mental Health Fair in conjunction with SMART, and Fr Tim also developed links with the NHS North West London Recovery and Wellness College, who worked with him to offer a series of talks on "Anxiety", "Resilience" and "Mind and Body". These were attended by a mixture of regular parishioners and locals and were much appreciated. Working with the NHS, Fr Tim then also organised a day entitled "Grace in Action", to support the care by clergy and other churchworkers of those suffering with complex emotional needs, which was attended by people from across the Diocese.

Meanwhile, we have continued to work to maintain and enhance the beautiful building we have inherited from generations of generous worshippers. Fr Evan has taken the lead on our project to remove the existing organ mechanism and to install WC facilities in the NE corner of the church, as we consider future organ provision. Although the work so far has been largely invisible, it has necessitated visits by a number of different organ specialists, and the commissioning of both drainage and asbestos surveys before any work can be undertaken. These have all now taken place, with kind funding from a member of the congregation, and initial designs have been drawn up by our architect, so we hope to present these as soon as we have received a report from the quantity surveyor who visited to draw up an estimate for the work. If you would like to donate towards this project, please do speak to us.

We have also replaced the CCTV system and the WiFi provision in the church.

It has been, as always, a privilege to be able to host the Civic Remembrance Service and the Mayor's Carol Service, in addition to (this year) an ecumenical Choral Evensong to mark the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity and the Kensington Episcopal Area's Vocations Discernment Day.

Once again, through the hard work of our Events Co-ordinator, Leonora Service, we have held well-attended Summer and Christmas Fairs, concerts, talks and Carol Services which both bring in funds and raise the profile of the church.

I am, as ever, so very grateful to my clergy colleagues, Fr Evan and Fr Tim and to our Honorary Assistant Priests, Fr Peter and Fr Thomas, and I was delighted when Hakan Sandal-Wilson was licensed by Bishop Sarah in September as our new Licensed Lay Minister. None of our ministry would be possible without the hard work and dedication of our staff team, Petter, Leonora, Simon and Martina, and we were very fortunate to be joined this year by our new Hall Manager, Gill Fisher, who has already done a great deal to update the hall and bring in new bookings. In the summer we also said goodbye to Helen Rowland, who has been accepted for ordination training and moved to a placement church.

As ever, I have felt very fortunate to have the support and skill of our wardens, Ed Warrick and Guy Heald, of the committed members of the PCC, and of Mark Uglow and our professional choir.

My thanks to all of them, and also to all our wonderful volunteers who read, serve, welcome, offer refreshments, lead Sunday School, arrange flowers, help at events, clean the church, sing in the voluntary choir, collect the donations for the Foodbank – the list goes on! Thank you for your friendship, support, encouragement and prayers as we seek, under God, to make St Mary Abbots a place which reflects Christ's love and welcome to all who come here.

Mother Emma

Hon PCC Secretary's Report

Bunmi Adefuye

During the past year, the PCC held 6 meetings and the Standing Committee held 4 meetings. The PCC engaged in careful and constructive discussions and reached decisions that were aligned with the mission and values of our church.

The Standing Committee and Finance Committee meetings focused effectively on financial performance, budget management, and internal controls, with the aim of minimising risk and ensuring good governance.

ST MARY ABBOTS CHURCH, KENSINGTON**PCC MEMBERS' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025****Report from Kensington Deanery Synod****David Shaw**

Deanery Synod meetings in 2025 continued to align with London Diocese's 2030 Vision, with each meeting focusing on a specific theme. At the Deanery Synod in October, James Heard was thanked as he handed over the role of Area Dean to Andy Buckler.

- Compassionate Communities (February) – Hosted by St John the Baptist Holland Road, this meeting centered on Homelessness. Jo Carter, CEO of Glass Door, spoke about the increase in homelessness in London over the previous year. She described the work of the charity with three hubs in West London, offering shelter during the winter months using church premises.
- Spring Common Fund Meeting – this meeting provided an opportunity to discuss and review financial commitments within the deanery
- Confident Disciples (October) – St John's Notting Hill hosted this session on the theme Learning from the Orthodox Tradition. William Taylor, vicar of St John's, traced the history of orthodoxy, showing how the different branches originated. He pointed out that Kensington is the area with the highest concentration of orthodox churches in the UK. Parishes within our Deanery were encouraged to engage actively. The synod then reflected on the nature of orthodox spirituality and discipleship with the help of a celebrated icon, 'The Triumph of Orthodoxy', from St Catherine's monastery in Sinai.
- Creative Growth (November) – the meeting was hosted at St James' on the theme of Developing Stronger Links with Schools. Ellie Douthwaite (HoS, St Clement & St James Primary School), Fr Gareth, Richard Downs (Deputy HT, St Barnabas & St Philips Primary School) and Nathalie Whittington (Families pastor, St Barnabas) reflected in the importance of strong links between local parishes and schools. Discussion focused on the challenge of engaging in children's/youth work when there is no church school with whom to partner. James Heard shared how the Holland Park Benefice was engaging creatively with pupils from the local school by starting a youth club.

FINANCIAL REVIEW**Hon. Treasurer's Report****Guy Heald**

Income declined in 2025 from £954,262 to £693,830 as there were significant exceptional items in 2024 not repeated in 2025.

Underlying components showed satisfactory increases. Collections improved by 12.67 % from £83,284 to £93,831. Hall lettings improved by 15.70 % from £115,121 to £133,191. Income from Investments improved by 71 % from £34,183 to £58,556.

Costs however increased by 6% from £815,067 to £867,286 as a result of the effect of inflationary pressures wages and utilities, mainly electricity.

The overall result for the year is a deficit of £79,438. There are some items of capital expenditure charged to revenue which make the result appear worse. Nevertheless, gains in investments helped and the conclusion must be that in the long term income has to rise substantially to meet increases in costs and eliminate annual deficits which are not sustainable.

Appreciation of this situation will I hope encourage greater generosity from our loyal and dedicated parishioners.

Reserves

The PCC's policy is to have reserves equivalent to 6 months' running costs. 6 months of running costs equals £407k. Currently our general unrestricted liquid reserves, which excludes tangible fixed assets but includes investment portfolios within the general fund, equal £774,272 (2024 - £874,517). Thus, our unrestricted reserves exceed the reserves target.

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**PCC MEMBERS' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

STATEMENT OF PCC MEMBERS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The PCC members are responsible for preparing the annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

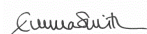
The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the PCC members to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the PCC and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the PCC for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the PCC members are required to:

- (a) select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- (b) observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- (c) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- (d) prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the PCC will continue in operation.

The PCC members are responsible for keeping accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the PCC's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the PCC and enable it to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the Church Representation Rules.

PCC members are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the PCC and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the PCC members and signed on their behalf by:



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The Rev'd Emma Dinwiddy Smith
(Chair of Trustees)
Date: 29 April 2026

ST MARY ABBOTS CHURCH, KENSINGTON**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF ST MARY ABBOTS CHURCH,
KENSINGTON**

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of St Mary Abbots Church, Kensington ('the charity') for the year ended 31 December 2025 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet, the statement of cash flows and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has been withdrawn.

This has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 December 2025 and of its incoming resources and application of resources for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the United Kingdom, including the Financial Reporting Council's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the PCC members' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the PCC members with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. The PCC members are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF ST MARY ABBOTS CHURCH, KENSINGTON (CONTINUED)

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the PCC members' report is inconsistent in any material respect with the financial statements; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the PCC members' responsibilities statement, the PCC members are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements which give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the PCC members determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the PCC members are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the PCC members either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditors under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The specific procedures designed and implemented to detect irregularities, including fraud, are detailed below:

- Making enquiries of management and those charged with governance;
- Performing audit work over the risk of management override of controls, including testing of journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, evaluating the rationale of significant transactions outside the normal course of business and reviewing accounting estimates for bias;
- Carrying out substantive checking to supporting documents on a sample basis of individual transactions within income and expenditure to give comfort that on a sample basis the SOFA does not contain any irregular items;
- Certifying the existence on a sample basis of individual employees on the payroll;
- Verifying that material balances within the balance sheet are supported by third party evidence to confirm the existence and valuation of these balances at the balance sheet date; and
- Reviewing minutes of PCC meetings.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF ST MARY ABBOTS CHURCH, KENSINGTON (CONTINUED)

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs (UK), we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion of the effectiveness of the charity's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the PCC members.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the PCC members' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the charity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and its trustees, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Griffin Stone Moscrop & Co

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Statutory Auditors
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Date: 3/5/2026

Griffin Stone Moscrop & Co are eligible to act as auditors in terms of section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

ST MARY ABBOTS CHURCH, KENSINGTON

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Endowment funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	3	242,898	-	-	242,898	361,439
Church activities	4	147,158	-	-	147,158	125,788
Property rentals and fundraising events	5	245,218	-	-	245,218	257,746
Investments	6	58,556	-	-	58,556	34,183
Gain on sale of property		-	-	-	-	175,106
Total income and endowments		693,830	-	-	693,830	954,262
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	7,8	23,985	-	-	23,985	34,937
Church activities	9	831,665	11,636	-	843,301	780,130
Total expenditure		855,650	11,636	-	867,286	815,067
Net (expenditure)/income before net gains on investments		(161,820)	(11,636)	-	(173,456)	139,195
Net gains on investments		83,055	-	10,963	94,018	23,838
Net movement in funds		(78,765)	(11,636)	10,963	(79,438)	163,033
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward		3,945,525	187,617	167,129	4,300,271	4,137,238
Net movement in funds		(78,765)	(11,636)	10,963	(79,438)	163,033
Total funds carried forward		3,866,760	175,981	178,092	4,220,833	4,300,271

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

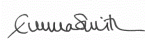
The notes on pages 13 to 30 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	14	2,748,812	2,759,628
Investments	15	1,369,765	1,163,388
		<u>4,118,577</u>	<u>3,923,016</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	16	88,027	107,846
Cash at bank and in hand		71,655	350,451
		<u>159,682</u>	<u>458,297</u>
Current liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	17	(57,426)	(81,042)
Net current assets		<u>102,256</u>	<u>377,255</u>
Total net assets		<u><u>4,220,833</u></u>	<u><u>4,300,271</u></u>
Charity funds			
Endowment funds	19	178,092	167,129
Restricted funds	19	175,981	187,617
Unrestricted funds	19	3,866,760	3,945,525
Total funds		<u><u>4,220,833</u></u>	<u><u>4,300,271</u></u>

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the PCC members and signed on their behalf by:



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The Rev'd Emma Dinwiddy Smith
Chair

Date: 29 April 2026

The notes on pages 13 to 30 form part of these financial statements.

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net cash used in operating activities	22	(223,804)	(71,058)
Cash flows from investing activities			
Dividends, interests and rents from investments		58,556	34,183
Net proceeds from sale of tangible fixed assets		-	465,684
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		-	(1,273)
Proceeds from the sale of investments		103,078	132,747
Purchase of investments		(216,626)	(259,975)
Net cash (used in)/provided by investing activities		(54,992)	371,366
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year		(278,796)	300,308
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		350,451	50,143
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	23	71,655	350,451

The notes on pages 13 to 30 form part of these financial statements

ST MARY ABBOTS CHURCH, KENSINGTON**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025****1. General information**

The Parochial Church Council of St Mary Abbots Church, Kensington, is a registered charity (number 1132235) with the Charity Commission for England and Wales. The address of the principal office is St Mary Abbots Parish Office, Vicarage Gate, London, W8 4HN. The nature of the charity's operations and principal activities is promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the church.

The presentation currency in these financial statements is sterling and figures are rounded to the nearest pound.

2. Accounting policies**2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair' view. This departure has involved following the Charities SORP (FRS 102) published in October 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

St Mary Abbots Church, Kensington meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

2.2 Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis. There are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt upon the PCC's ability to continue as a going concern.

2.3 Income

All income is recognised once the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

The recognition of income from legacies is dependent on establishing entitlement, the probability of receipt and the ability to estimate with sufficient accuracy the amount receivable. Evidence of entitlement to a legacy exists when the charity has sufficient evidence that a gift has been left to them (through knowledge of the existence of a valid will and the death of the benefactor) and the executor is satisfied that the property in question will not be required to satisfy claims in the estate. Receipt of a legacy must be recognised when it is probable that it will be received and the fair value of the amount receivable, which will generally be the expected cash amount to be distributed to the charity, can be reliably measured.

Grants are included in the statement of financial activities on a receivable basis. The balance of income received for specific purposes but not expended during the period is shown in the relevant funds on the balance sheet. Where income is received in advance of entitlement of receipt, its recognition is deferred and included in creditors as deferred income. Where entitlement occurs before income is received, the income is accrued.

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Income tax recoverable in relation to investment income is recognised at the time the investment income is receivable.

2.4 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Expenditure on raising funds includes all expenditure incurred by the church to raise funds for its charitable purposes and includes costs of all fundraising activities events and investment management fees.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the church's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

2.5 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets costing £1,000 or more are capitalised and recognised when future economic benefits are probable and the cost or value of the asset can be measured reliably.

Consecrated land and buildings and moveable church furnishings

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the financial statements by section 10(2) to (3) of the Charities Act 2011.

Moveable church furnishings held by the Vicar and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal are accounted for as inalienable property unless consecrated. They are listed in the church's inventory which can be inspected. For inalienable property acquired prior to 1996 there is insufficient cost information and therefore such assets are not valued in the financial statements. All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or beneficed buildings and moveable church furnishings, whether on maintenance or improvement, is written off as expenditure in the statement of financial activities.

Functional church properties are included in the financial statements at 'deemed cost' which, in the absence of reliable historical cost information, represents the insured values of these properties on 1 January 2006 when they were first included in the financial statements. This value is annually reviewed by the PCC for impairment and to ensure that it remains appropriate. This deemed cost will not change unless improvement expenditure is incurred on these properties.

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Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of other tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method.

Depreciation is provided on the following bases:

Church equipment	-	10% straight line
Fixtures and fittings	-	10% straight line

No depreciation is provided on freehold property as it is the PCC's policy to maintain these assets in a continual state of sound repair. In addition, the useful economic life of these assets is so long and residual values so high that any depreciation would not be material. These assets are still subject to annual impairment reviews. Provision will be made if there has been any permanent diminution in value.

2.6 Investments

Fixed asset investments are a form of financial instrument and are initially recognised at their transaction cost and subsequently measured at fair value at the balance sheet date, unless the value cannot be measured reliably in which case it is measured at cost less impairment. Investment gains and losses, whether realised or unrealised, are combined and presented as 'Net gains/(losses) on investments' in the statement of financial activities.

2.7 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

2.8 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

2.9 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in the statement of financial activities as a finance cost.

2.10 Financial instruments

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.11 Pensions

The charity is a member of a multi-employer plan. Where it is not possible for the charity to obtain sufficient information to enable it to account for the plan as a defined benefit plan, it accounts for the plan as a defined contribution plan.

2.12 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the PCC members in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the PCC members for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

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3. Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
Donations				
Planned giving	62,803	-	62,803	61,683
Tax reclaimed	41,426	-	41,426	51,902
Collections	93,831	-	93,831	83,284
Donations and appeals	7,055	-	7,055	139,730
Total donations	205,115	-	205,115	336,599
Legacies	37,783	-	37,783	20,761
Grants	-	-	-	4,079
Subtotal	37,783	-	37,783	24,840
Total 2025	242,898	-	242,898	361,439
Total 2024	226,439	135,000	361,439	

4. Income from church activities

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
Church and statutory fees	12,501	12,501	8,829
Church groups	1,466	1,466	1,838
Church hall lettings	133,191	133,191	115,121
Total 2025	147,158	147,158	125,788
Total 2024	125,788	125,788	

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5. Income from property rentals and fundraising events

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
Income from rentals	225,586	225,586	217,738
Fundraising events	19,632	19,632	40,008
Total 2025	245,218	245,218	257,746
Total 2024	257,746	257,746	

6. Income from investments

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
Dividends and interest	58,556	58,556	34,183
Total 2024	34,183	34,183	

7. Expenditure on raising funds: Costs of raising voluntary income

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
Stewardship costs	502	502	307
General fundraising and appeal costs	15,922	15,922	26,480
Total 2025	16,424	16,424	26,787
Total 2024	26,787	26,787	

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8. Expenditure on raising funds: Investment management costs

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
Investment manager's fees	7,561	7,561	8,150
Total 2024	8,150	8,150	

9. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Summary by fund type

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Church activities	831,665	11,636	843,301	780,130
Total 2024	779,110	1,020	780,130	

10. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities by cost type

	Direct costs (see below) 2025 £	Support costs (see below) 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
Church activities	765,268	78,033	843,301	780,130
Total 2024	705,518	74,612	780,130	

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10. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities by cost type (continued)

Analysis of direct costs

	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
Staff costs	135,987	140,111
Depreciation	10,816	10,774
Missionary and charitable giving	3,986	2,366
Ministry - Diocesan clergy stipends	235,120	219,230
Ministry - Other clergy costs	9,339	8,470
Church running expenses	137,279	92,527
Church maintenance	24,788	10,782
Services	11,582	5,050
Choir and music	62,360	53,149
Congregational development	14,504	17,150
Church hall repairs, maintenance and running costs	82,472	119,340
8 Hornton Place	4,784	6,075
Facility Improvement Project - professional fees	11,636	-
Staff accommodation	13,652	17,931
Sundry	1,455	2,563
Long Room repairs, maintenance and running costs	950	-
Car park repairs, maintenance and running costs	4,558	-
	765,268	705,518

Analysis of support costs

	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
Staff costs (including agency staff)	60,189	47,721
Bank charges	2,095	1,804
Legal fees	2,600	5,384
Other professional fees	4,149	11,303
Governance cost - auditors' remuneration	9,000	8,400
	78,033	74,612

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11. Auditors' remuneration

The auditors' remuneration for the audit and preparation of these financial statements amounts to an audit fee of £5,400 (2024 - £4,450), and accountancy services of £5,400 (2024 - £4,450).

12. Staff costs

	2025 £	2024 £
Wages and salaries (including agency staff)	172,947	162,997
Social security costs	9,002	11,907
Contribution to defined contribution pension schemes	14,227	12,928
	<u>196,176</u>	<u>187,832</u>

The average number of persons employed by the charity during the year was as follows:

	2025 No.	2024 No.
Staff	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>

No employee received remuneration amounting to more than £60,000 in either year.

The key management personnel of the church are the PCC members, none of whom were remunerated directly by the church (2024 - the same).

13. PCC members' remuneration and expenses

During the year, no PCC members received any remuneration or other benefits (2024 - the same).

During the year ended 31 December 2025, expenses totalling £700 were reimbursed or paid directly to 2 PCC members (2024 - £1,588 to 4 PCC members).

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	Properties £	Church equipment £	External lighting £	Total £
Cost or valuation				
At 1 January 2025	2,678,115	47,861	60,302	2,786,278
At 31 December 2025	2,678,115	47,861	60,302	2,786,278
Depreciation				
At 1 January 2025	-	14,759	11,891	26,650
Charge for the year	-	4,786	6,030	10,816
At 31 December 2025	-	19,545	17,921	37,466
Net book value				
At 31 December 2025	2,678,115	28,316	42,381	2,748,812
At 31 December 2024	2,678,115	33,102	48,411	2,759,628

Functional church properties are included in the financial statements at deemed cost based on their insured values at 1 January 2006 when they were first brought into the financial statements.

An analysis by property is given below:

	2025 £	2024 £
Church hall and garages	1,752,214	1,752,214
Cottage - Curate	242,109	242,109
Cottage - Virger	242,109	242,109
8 Hornton Place	441,683	441,683
	2,678,115	2,678,115

8 Hornton Place has been carried at deemed cost. While this property does earn rental income, it would be extremely difficult to place a fair value on this property due to it being located on a burial ground, giving arise to restrictive covenants on what the property can be used for.

The rest of the buildings are used for the benefit of the PCC to carry out its mission and ministry in the parish, and are not held primarily for investment or resale purposes. Accordingly, their values are also based on deemed cost, rather than market valuations.

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	Listed investments £
Cost or valuation	
At 1 January 2025	1,163,388
Additions	216,626
Disposals	(103,078)
Revaluations	92,829
At 31 December 2025	<u>1,369,765</u>

16. Debtors

	2025 £	2024 £
Due within one year		
Trade debtors	40,569	26,271
Prepayments and accrued income	47,458	81,575
	<u>88,027</u>	<u>107,846</u>

17. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Trade creditors	5,178	31,486
Other taxation and social security	4,515	3,813
Other creditors	34,753	26,798
Accruals and deferred income	12,980	18,945
	<u>57,426</u>	<u>81,042</u>

18. Financial instruments

	2025 £	2024 £
Financial assets		
Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure	<u>1,441,420</u>	<u>1,513,839</u>

Financial assets measured at fair value through income and expenditure comprise fixed asset investments and cash at bank and in hand.

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19. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 January 2025 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2025 £
Unrestricted funds					
Designated funds					
Bequests	44,888	139	-	1,326	46,353
Mary Isa Trust (Renovation)	266,492	16,326	(1,597)	16,102	297,323
	<u>311,380</u>	<u>16,465</u>	<u>(1,597)</u>	<u>17,428</u>	<u>343,676</u>
General funds					
General fund	<u>3,634,145</u>	<u>677,365</u>	<u>(854,053)</u>	<u>65,627</u>	<u>3,523,084</u>
Total unrestricted funds	<u>3,945,525</u>	<u>693,830</u>	<u>(855,650)</u>	<u>83,055</u>	<u>3,866,760</u>
Endowment funds					
The Curtis Bequest Fund	<u>167,129</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,963</u>	<u>178,092</u>
Restricted funds					
Appeal	53,637	-	-	-	53,637
Facility improvement	133,980	-	(11,636)	-	122,344
	<u>187,617</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(11,636)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>175,981</u>
Total of funds	<u><u>4,300,271</u></u>	<u><u>693,830</u></u>	<u><u>(867,286)</u></u>	<u><u>94,018</u></u>	<u><u>4,220,833</u></u>

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19. Statement of funds (continued)

Statement of funds - prior year

	Balance at 1 January 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2024 £
Unrestricted funds					
Designated funds					
Bequests	44,888	-	-	-	44,888
Mary Isa Trust (Renovation)	251,135	9,161	(1,931)	8,127	266,492
	<u>296,023</u>	<u>9,161</u>	<u>(1,931)</u>	<u>8,127</u>	<u>311,380</u>
General funds					
General fund	<u>3,623,046</u>	<u>810,101</u>	<u>(812,116)</u>	<u>13,114</u>	<u>3,634,145</u>
Total unrestricted funds	<u>3,919,069</u>	<u>819,262</u>	<u>(814,047)</u>	<u>21,241</u>	<u>3,945,525</u>
Endowment funds					
The Curtis Bequest Fund	<u>164,532</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,597</u>	<u>167,129</u>
Restricted funds					
Appeal	53,637	-	-	-	53,637
Facility improvement	-	135,000	(1,020)	-	133,980
	<u>53,637</u>	<u>135,000</u>	<u>(1,020)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>187,617</u>
Total of funds	<u><u>4,137,238</u></u>	<u><u>954,262</u></u>	<u><u>(815,067)</u></u>	<u><u>23,838</u></u>	<u><u>4,300,271</u></u>

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The aim and use of each of the funds is as follows:

Designated funds

Bequests - The Bequests fund represents legacies received by the church which the PCC has decided will be used for various specific purposes.

Mary Isa Trust (Renovation) - This fund represents monies donated to the church by the late Mary Isa which the PCC has designated should be used for repairs and maintenance to the structure of the church building.

Endowment funds

The Curtis Bequest Fund - This was bequeathed to the Vicar and Churchwardens of St Mary Abbots Church in March 1965. The income from this fund is used for the promotion and upkeep of the choir, the organ and church music. The London Diocesan Fund acts as custodian trustee, and the capital value of this fund (£28,569) is kept as a permanent endowment. The remaining capital value of the fund is permitted to be expended, but only when the Vicar and Churchwardens, in exceptional circumstances, deem it necessary.

Restricted funds

Appeal - The Appeal fund contains monies raised under the previous incumbent for improvement works to the church building.

Facility improvement - This fund represents donations received for, among other things, the construction of new toilet facilities in the church.

20. Summary of funds**Summary of funds - current year**

	Balance at 1 January 2025 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2025 £
Designated funds	311,380	16,465	(1,597)	17,428	343,676
General funds	3,634,145	677,365	(854,053)	65,627	3,523,084
Endowment funds	167,129	-	-	10,963	178,092
Restricted funds	187,617	-	(11,636)	-	175,981
	<u>4,300,271</u>	<u>693,830</u>	<u>(867,286)</u>	<u>94,018</u>	<u>4,220,833</u>

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20. Summary of funds (continued)

Summary of funds - prior year

	Balance at 1 January 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2024 £
Designated funds	296,023	9,161	(1,931)	8,127	311,380
General funds	3,623,046	810,101	(812,116)	13,114	3,634,145
Endowment funds	164,532	-	-	2,597	167,129
Restricted funds	53,637	135,000	(1,020)	-	187,617
	<u>4,137,238</u>	<u>954,262</u>	<u>(815,067)</u>	<u>23,838</u>	<u>4,300,271</u>

21. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current year

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Endowment funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £
Tangible fixed assets	2,748,812	-	-	2,748,812
Fixed asset investments	1,183,015	-	186,750	1,369,765
Current assets	(16,299)	175,981	-	159,682
Creditors due within one year	(48,768)	-	(8,658)	(57,426)
Total	<u>3,866,760</u>	<u>175,981</u>	<u>178,092</u>	<u>4,220,833</u>

Analysis of net assets between funds - prior year

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Endowment funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £
Tangible fixed assets	2,759,628	-	-	2,759,628
Fixed asset investments	998,843	-	164,545	1,163,388
Current assets	268,096	187,617	2,584	458,297
Creditors due within one year	(81,042)	-	-	(81,042)
Total	<u>3,945,525</u>	<u>187,617</u>	<u>167,129</u>	<u>4,300,271</u>

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	2025 £	2024 £
Net (expenditure)/income for the year (as per statement of financial activities)	(79,438)	163,033
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	10,816	10,774
Gains on investments per fixed assets investments note	(92,829)	(28,693)
Dividends, interests and rents from investments	(58,556)	(34,183)
Gain on sale of tangible fixed assets	-	(180,684)
Decrease/(Increase) in debtors	19,819	(16,137)
(Decrease)/Increase in creditors	(23,616)	14,832
Net cash used in operating activities	(223,804)	(71,058)

23. Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	2025 £	2024 £
Cash at bank and in hand	55,553	214,733
Cash held by investment manager	16,102	135,718
Total cash and cash equivalents	71,655	350,451

24. Analysis of changes in net debt

	At 1 January 2025 £	Cash flows £	At 31 December 2025 £
Cash and cash equivalents	350,451	(278,796)	71,655

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25. Pension commitments

The church participates in the Pension Builder Scheme section of the Church Workers Pensions Fund (CWPF) for lay staff. The CWPF is administered by the Church of England Pensions Board, which holds the CWPF assets separately from those of the church and other participating employers.

The CWPF has two sections:

1. the 'Defined Benefits Scheme'
2. the 'Pension Builder Scheme', which has two subsections:
 - a. a deferred annuity section known as 'Pension Builder Classic'; and
 - b. a cash balance section known as 'Pension Builder 2014'.

Pension Builder Scheme

Both sections of the Pension Builder Scheme are classed as defined benefit schemes.

Pension Builder Classic provides a pension, accumulated from contributions paid and converted into a deferred annuity during employment based on terms set and reviewed by the Church of England Pensions Board from time to time. Discretionary increases may also be added, depending on investment returns and other factors.

Pension Builder 2014 is a cash balance scheme that provides a lump sum which members use to provide benefits at retirement. Pension contributions are recorded in an account for each member. Discretionary bonuses may be added before retirement, depending on investment returns and other factors. The account, plus any bonuses declared is payable, unreduced, from age 65.

There is no sub-division of assets between employers in each section of the Pension Builder Scheme.

The scheme is considered to be a multi-employer scheme as described in Section 28 of FRS 102. This is because it is not possible to attribute the Pension Builder Scheme's assets and liabilities to specific employers and means that contributions are accounted for as if the Scheme were a defined contribution scheme. The pension costs of £14,227 (2024 - £12,928) are charged to the statement of financial activities in the year are the contributions payable.

A valuation of the Pension Builder Scheme is carried out once every three years. The most recent valuation was carried out as at 31 December 2022.

For the Pension Builder Classic section, the valuation revealed a surplus of £34.8m on the ongoing assumptions used. At the most recent annual review effective 1 January 2026, the Board chose to grant a discretionary bonus of 10% to both pensions not yet in payment and pensions in payment in respect of service prior to April 1997; and a bonus on pensions in payment in respect of post April 1997 service so that the pension increase was also 10% (where usually it would be calculated based on inflation up to an annual cap of 5% for pensions in payment in respect of service prior to April 2006 and 2.5% for pensions in payment in respect of service post April 2006). This followed improvements in the funding position over 2025. There is no requirement for deficit payments at the current time.

For the Pension Builder 2014 section, the valuation revealed a surplus of £8.5m on the ongoing assumptions used. There is no requirement for deficit payments at the current time.

The Church of England Pensions Board has agreed that some employers could use assets in the DBS of the CWPF in lieu of contributions to Pension Builder Classic and/or Pension Builder 2014.

The next valuation is being carried out as at 31 December 2025.

The legal structure of the Scheme is such that if another employer fails, St Mary Abbots Church could become responsible for paying a share of the failed employer's pension liabilities.

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26. Operating lease commitments

At 31 December 2025 the charity had commitments to make future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Not later than 1 year	8,766	5,237
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	17,375	8,144
Later than 5 years	762	-
	<u>26,903</u>	<u>13,381</u>

27. Related party transactions

During the year ended 31 December 2025, aggregate unconditional donations of £15,132 were received from 16 PCC members and their families (2024 - £11,120 was received from 13 PCC members and their families).

The St Mary Abbots School Trust is a related charity by virtue of the Vicar and Churchwardens of the church being trustees of that organisation. During the year ended 31 December 2025, the church paid rent of £3,413 (2024 - £7,313) to the Trust for flats occupied by the Virger.