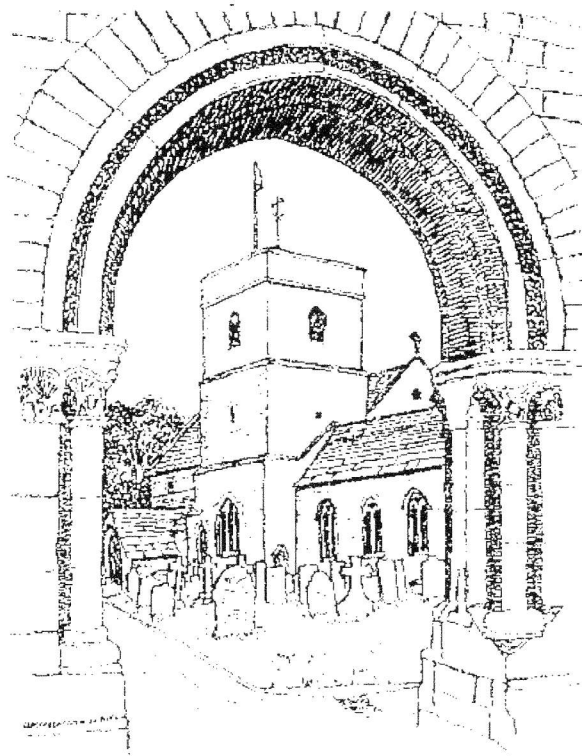


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**The Parochial Church Council of the
Ecclesiastical Parish of St. Michael,
Betchworth
Annual Report and Financial Statements
31 December 2024**



St. Michael's Church, Betchworth Parochial Church Council
Report and Financial Statements 2024

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Reverend Pru Dulley

Church Wardens

L Slater

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Annual Report 31 December 2024

This Annual Report is prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 and the Church Representation Rules and the Charities Act 2011 and is submitted to and received by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, which is then free to discuss it. The Secretary and the Churchwardens will address the Meeting and they and other members of the PCC will be happy to respond to any points raised or questions asked. The Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held on Sunday 18th May 2025, after the morning service. All on the Electoral Roll of the parish are entitled to attend and will be most welcome.

Structure, Governance and Management

The role of the Parochial Church Council

The Parochial Church Council (the 'PCC') is a corporate body established by the Church of England. It operates under the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956 and is registered with the Charity Commission. Its role is to co-operate with the minister in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelical, social, and ecumenical.

PCC membership

In accordance with the Church Representation Rules, members of the PCC are either ex officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church meeting. There is no specified term of office.

The members of the PCC who are also its trustees, are shown on page 1. A full list of church officials is as follows:

Incumbent	The Revd. Pru Dulley
Churchwarden	Mrs Linda Slater
Treasurer	Mr Charles Hardy
Fabric Officer	Mr Steven Armitage
Deanery Synod Representatives	Mrs. Ginny Eaton Mrs Margaret Miller Mr Tom Briscoombe
Elected members	Mrs Pam Armitage Mrs Susan Douse Mrs Hilary Ely Mr Bernard Hawkins Mrs Rosemary Mote Mr. Richard Perkins
Organist & Choirmaster	Mr. Richard Calver
Safeguarding Officer:	Mrs Margaret Miller

Committees

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. It consists of the Rector, Churchwarden(s), Treasurer, Fabric Officer, and PCC Secretary.

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Upper Mole Group Council (which reports to the PCC): Membership consists of the Rectors, Clergy and Churchwardens of Betchworth, Buckland, Brockham, Leigh, Charlwood and Sidlow, and discusses joint events and the way ahead as a group.

Other sub-committees: These are formed on an ad hoc basis. The Education and Outreach and the Worship sub-committees continue to operate across the Benefice.

Education and Outreach, Joint Parish Sub-Committee

This is part of the development and growth of mission for both Parishes with a remit to

- Discuss and support the needs of young people, which includes services and activities for younger people, and links with schools and young people's groups
- To discuss prayer and action in the wider world for the desperately needy at home and abroad.
- To discuss how the local Church can reach out to the members of our community promoting and encouraging participation.
- To overview Christian study and education for adults and the younger generation in the parishes.
- Cover the planning of outside giving and develop a current giving plan for presentation to the PCC

The committee is a valuable medium to help plan and obtain support for outreach projects and our work with younger families in the villages.

Worship, Joint Parish Sub-Committee

The Rector, churchwardens, organist, musicians, service rota planners and choir director consider and guide all aspects of services and related activities for the United Benefice of St Michael's Betchworth and St Mary the Virgin Buckland.

The sub-committee is responsible to the PCC for reviewing and encouraging the worship life including:

- Being alert to trends and movements of worship.
- Assisting in providing a variety of experiences in worship reflecting the differing needs and tastes within the church community; and
- Participating in the planning of special occasions and assisting in the choice and provision of music in worship.

Specific Sub-Committees for St Michael's have met regularly throughout the year with reports elsewhere in this document. :-

Fabric

To support and guide the PCC on the repair, maintenance and management of the fabric and thereby serve the Church and Community in the implementation of the Mission Action Plan (MAP).

Stewardship

To explore a variety of ways in which we can increase regular giving to the church and try to meet our Parish Support Fund target.

Magazine

To manage on behalf of the St Michael's Betchworth PCC the monthly production and distribution to all households in the civil Parish of Betchworth of a Parish Magazine, with a view to furthering community cohesion and without placing any financial burden on the Church.

Events (formerly Concerts and Recitals)

To plan and produce on behalf of St Michael's Betchworth PCC a variety of fund-raising events throughout the year to supplement the church's income and to enable projects and financial targets to be achieved. This to include making all necessary arrangements for a number of Concerts and Organ

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Concerts on the Kenneth Tickell organ, each year with the aim of achieving at least a financial break even on these events and to contribute to church funds or other designated purposes.

Objectives and Activities

The objective of the PCC is to facilitate the smooth running of the church in the village, and as stated above, to co-operate with the minister in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelical, social, and ecumenical.

Review of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2024

The PCC met 6 times during the year and dealt with the usual routine affairs of the parish. Accordingly, there was no requirement for the Standing Committee to meet in the intervening months. The Council received regular reports on the following topics: -

Finance

Fabric and churchyard

Deanery Synod/ Diocesan Synod

Upper Mole Group of Churches

Education and Outreach

Safe Church Policy/ Health and Safety

Rector's Report 2024

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Jeremiah 29:11:

It's hard to believe a whole year has gone by since I last wrote this report. It's been a tough year in some ways, change is never easy and we are still learning to communicate, and work effectively together, encouraging each others gifts and supporting each other's vulnerabilities.

Thanks

The first thing I want to do is to say thank you. My biggest thanks go to Linda for her work this year as church warden, having stepped up at the last moment to rescue the church from being downgraded to a chapel of ease. She has done an incredible job managing this church and us on a day-to-day level in an amazing and dedicated manner. On a personal level she has offered much needed support and encouragement to me as a new incumbent still learning the ropes and I am deeply appreciative of it. I will miss her energy and practical down-to-earth approach but also wish her a happy retirement (if that's the right word) and a much needed rest from the many demands, duties and phone calls up ski slopes that she has fielded with much patience. Thank you Linda. I would also like to extend my thanks to Bernard who stepped back from church wardening at our last APCM due to health concerns but has remained there behind the scenes providing me with extra advice and insight into parish life. We are hugely fortunate that he has stayed on PCC so his huge expertise and knowledge bank is not lost. So thank you Bernard also.

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There are too many of you to thank individually for all that you do to make St Michael's...well so St Michael-ish but I'm hugely grateful to all of you; those of you who are sidespeople, who clean or flower arrange, the Bellringers, readers and, intercessors, the choir, sacristans, servers, the coffee servers, our safeguarding officer, our treasurer, and PCC secretary and all of you who work so hard on the PCC and other committees. To Richard our musical director who joined up this year. My thanks also goes to the Pillars who do so much to support the building financially and to our many individual donors and financial contributors. St Michael's relies on all of you and we are so grateful for your generosity.

Finally, I would like to thank the congregation for your loyalty and dedication in continuing to worship at St Michael's and keeping this church as it is meant to be, a worshipping community. More than anything in this time of uncertainty and change; our church needs prayer – for wisdom, for hope, for courage looking to the future, and in your attendance of services, you help provide just that.

2024-5

Last year the message I heard from you was that you needed time to sit, rest and recuperate after the interregnum. I still hear that need but coupled with an awareness of the need to change, plus a feeling of stuckness which can be a painful to sit with. Despite this, we have had some firsts or new olds this past year which is fantastic. We were fortunate enough to hold

- a number of beautiful concerts and organ recitals last year including the Nine Lessons and Carols Christmas Service sung by our own choir.
- Heritage weekend which was a great success with trips up the bell tower, handbell ringing, an art display, organ recitals and historical talks to mention a few
- The first hustings - with all candidates participating in the debate.
- The return of a pet service which was well received by pets and their owners alike! It is set to be a regular in our church diary.
- A new style thanksgiving harvest festival celebrating not just the physical harvest but also the many gifts of time, effort, skill and perseverance that volunteers give to make St Michael's what it is. This too will become a yearly event.

2025-2026

During this coming year we need to really explore who we are as a worshipping community in the Church of England at this time. While recognising and marking what St Michael's has been in its heyday we need to look forward to what being St Michael's in the 21st century is like and where we feel God is calling us *now*. There is a future for St Michael's, we just have to discern what that is. One thing we can be sure of is, that God has a plan for us and does not abandon his people.

As last year, there is much to be done, and new ways to be learnt so that we can meet the future with confidence and a sense of God's purpose. Together we can do it.

Revd Pru Dulley
Rector

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Churchwarden's Report 2024

It was with great regret that, due to his ongoing health issues Bernard Hawkins had to step down as my co-churchwarden this year leaving me as sole warden. However Bernard has remained extremely active in many other aspects of church life and for that I am hugely grateful. We also managed to lose Martin Hall as our Director of Music but thankfully our assistant organist, Richard Calver seamlessly stepped into the role and produced a wonderful Service of Nine Lessons and Carols.

Many other people remain in their roles and continue to work hard to support the ongoing work of the church and I am extremely grateful to Margaret Miller who coordinates the service rota as well as running the monthly drop-in teas. Hilary Ely is a very efficient choir secretary and has been a great help to Richard Calver as he learns the ropes in his first year as Director of Music.

Sunday services just wouldn't run without sidespeople, readers, intercessors and sacristans and to all these people I would like to express my sincere thanks as well as to all the members of the PCC who play an active role in the running of the church. Special thanks also go to Steve Armitage who has taken on the role of Fabric Officer with impressive knowledge and efficiency and a wonderful way of explaining complex fabric issues to lay people.

Church funds are always a concern but we are extremely grateful to have such active support in the form of The Pillars of St Michael's who do an incredible job in raising money for the fabric of the church in the form of extremely enjoyable events.

As sole warden I am concerned about the viability of St Michael's as a parish church and I think that we need to seriously consider this as a PCC, church and wider community. It has been part of my life for 25 years now and for many others for much longer but we need to be honest about the reality of running a village parish church in terms of not only money but people. I pray that we can continue but like raising a child ... it takes a village.

Linda Slater, Churchwarden

St Michael's Safeguarding APCM Report 2024

A Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO) is there to be a contact for anyone who is, or thinks another is being controlled, suffering abuse or may be at risk of physical or mental harm. Details of organisations offering advice and support are on the notice-board in the Church porch, as are the details of the Parish and Southwark Diocese Safeguarding team.

Quite a lot has happened within the Church of England during 2024 regarding Safeguarding, which has brought about a number of changes to the Southwark Safeguarding Team. The Makin Report following the case of John Smyth and his abuse of young men as far back as the 1970s, has been a wake-up call for more vigilance and awareness of just how abuse and control can be exercised within what one considers a very safe and caring organisation. At the beginning of the year we again declared our intention to uphold the Safer Church Policy and make this Parish and St Michael's a welcoming place for all.

Most PCC members have undertaken various on-line training courses to enable them to understand Safeguarding, both for themselves while dealing with vulnerable adults and children, and also to be aware of Safeguarding for those around us. Safeguarding training courses can be found at: <https://safeguardingtraining.cofeportal.org/login/index.php> A copy of the Safeguarding manual 'A Safer Church' is held in the Church and can also be found on the Southwark Diocese website.

Some were able to attend an in-person course in Reigate during the year, where we were able to discuss various scenarios with those attending from other Churches, however this only followed the

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on-line script. DBS checks have been organised for those dealing with young children, and also vulnerable adults, this is on-going for 2025, and will include more volunteers and PCC members.

In November Churches were encouraged, and we held Safeguarding Sunday, a service with the emphasis on Caring and Keeping everyone Safe within the Church Community, this included a Q & A session with the congregation.

Contact details for the PSO in this Parish are in the Parish magazine, on the Noticeboard in the Church Porch and on the Parish website.

PSO for St Michael's Betchworth

St Michaels Fabric Report 2024

Maintenance issues outstanding

1. Altar spotlights
2. Fire Risk Assessment
3. PAT Testing

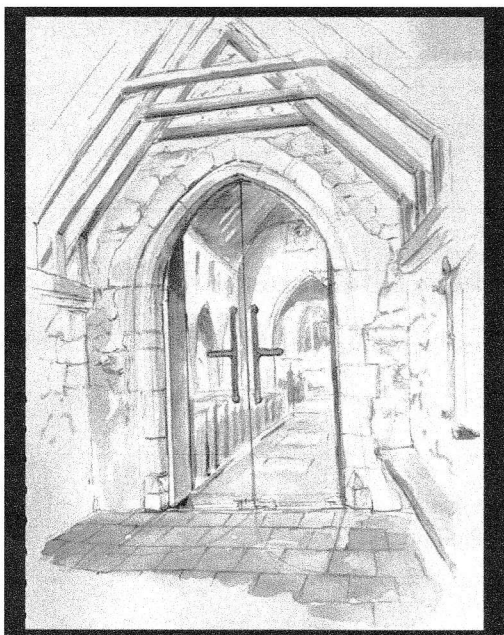
Major Works

1. Heating

Inspection arranged with 'The Energy Centre' on 13th March and verbal report to be given at the meeting

2. New Glass Doors

Quotation received from ION Glass (Brockham Church installer). See below



ION are instructed to prepare the detailed design and drawings at a cost of £812.50 (+VAT) which is required to obtain the Faculty. This fee is included in the overall price if we receive approval and go ahead. Tim Gough will be appointed to make the technical Faculty application.

Outer Doors

Estimates from two contractors for the outer door refurbishment to be confirmed at the meeting.

Potential for Derek Hughes doing the work to be also discussed at the meeting.

*Stephen Armitage
Fabric Committee*

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Electoral Roll and Church attendance

The Electoral Roll shows the following numbers:

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There were 3 weddings, 6 Baptisms and 3 funerals.

Upper Mole Group

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The Synod scheduled the following meetings in 2024

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Guest Speaker – Anna Coe from Renewed Hope Trust (For the homeless)

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To Area Bishop via **DMPC** for overview of resources.

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A two year programme starts Autumn 2024.

To meet with incumbent/clergy team/school or parish group.

Parish Support Fund materials received. Pledge to be discussed.

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The link below joins the Eco Churches WhatsApp Group.

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/EMjUn0iwhoXBkS4W1xX74o>

Further links given to the upcoming Safeguarding course on Thursday 26 September at 7.30pm – St Mary's Church. Please note that this course is open to all parishioners in the Deanery and not just Synod members - Likely to be access training rather than completing courses.

<https://stmarysreigate.churchsuite.com/events/y7dpww9j>

- **Deanery Synod held 10th Oct, 2024**

Deanery Synod held at All Saints Church Merstham

Quiet Day Wychoft – 12 th April 2025 and 28th March 2026

The following can be elected to the Vacancy in See Committee by the Diocesan Synod: Eight LAY PERSONS whose name appears on the electoral roll, across the Diocese and who are 16 and over, proposed and seconded by a member of Diocesan Synod, elected by the Diocesan Synod. Plus 2 Clergy. Nominations must be returned by 12 noon on Friday 29 November 2024. Education (Online Nominations) see circulation from Sarah.

Nominations are open to clergy, and laity who are on the electoral role, from across the Diocese. Nominations must be returned by 12 noon 31 October 2024 to Trinity House.

The Diocese is running a Children and Young People Basics Training in Horley for Youth, Children and Family ministry. The course is for ministry leaders and anyone else interested. All day event taking place at St. Bartholomews Church, Horley, RH6 8AB, on Saturday 16th November 2024, from 9-4pm.

The Anti-Slavery event on 19th October in the Methodist Church in Reigate was highly successful..

Richard Robinson (Head of Housing RBBC) and Jenny Hawes (Housing Projects ManagerYMCA East Surrey highlighted the work being undertaken for the homeless and the assistance given to the vulnerable in society and particularly single mothers, among others.

Churches across the UK and in our Deanery are being encouraged to take their Carol Services and Nativities out of churches to encourage greater numbers of the public to attend, this in response to the decline in church attendance. A 'Shine Your Light' initiative - Piloted last year, involving 700 churches of 68 denominations.

Tom Briscoombe

Deanery Synod Rep - Betchworth & Buckland

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Finance

This year has been another challenging year for the church financially. Whilst we have once again paid in full our parish pledge of £34,200 (2023: £34,034), the General Fund saw an excess of expenses over income of £7,532 (2023: excess of expenses of £3,482). Our expenses continue to rise as inflation continues to bite, and our income struggles to keep up, meaning the general fund at 31 December 2024 showed a depleted balance of £61,065 (2023: £68,597).

The final bills for the roof repair work came through this year. We were able to reclaim the VAT incurred on this, and, in addition, were very grateful to receive a grant of £15,000 from The Pillars of Betchworth Church, meaning that, at the year-end, the fund showed a small surplus, of £2,682 (2023: deficit of £21,560).

Reserves Policy

It is the policy of the PCC to seek to maintain adequate, but not excessive, reserves, to be used for the specific purposes for which they are identified. Cash representing reserves not immediately required is, if appropriate, invested with the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund.

Other Information

There have been no transactions between the PCC and related parties (as defined by the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities SORP) nor has the PCC identified any major risks (other than the availability of continued funding, a topic of continued consideration by the PCC) which impact the work of the Church in the parish.

Approved by the Parochial Church Council
And signed on its behalf by



P Dulley
Rector

17th April 2025

St. Michael's Church, Betchworth Parochial Church Council

Independent Examiner's Report to the Parochial Church Council ('PCC') of St Michael's Church, Betchworth

This report on the financial statements of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2024, which are set out on the following pages is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 ('the Regulations') and S.145 of the Charities Act 2011.

Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the examiner

As Charity Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, and you consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility:

- to examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act.
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charities Commission (under section 145(5)) of the Charities Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of this report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence which would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view, and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.


Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which give me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - (a) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Act; and
 - (b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Mrs Chris Braidwood F.C.A.
Chartered Accountant
Lowood
The Street
Betchworth
Surrey RH3 7DJ

17 March 2025


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Statement of financial activities For the year ended 31 December 2024

	General fund- unrestricted £	Fabric fund- restricted £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Incoming resources (Note 2)				
Incoming resources from donors	48,554	40,141	88,695	97,126
Income from ancillary transactions	13,563	-	13,563	14,625
Other ordinary income	249	-	249	601
Income from investments	12	-	12	4
Total incoming resources	62,378	40,141	102,519	112,356
Resources used (Note 3)				
Grants & donations	4,350	-	4,350	4,103
Activities directly relating to the church	65,438	-	65,438	61,677
Church management and administration	122	-	122	138
Church repairs	-	15,899	15,899	119,023
Total resources used	69,910	15,899	85,809	184,941
Net movement in cash funds	(7,532)	24,242	16,710	(72,585)
Net Current Assets brought forward from 31 December 2023	68,597	(21,560)	47,037	119,622
Net Current Assets carried forward at 31 December 2024	61,065	2,682	63,747	47,037
Organ brought forward			265,179	271,808
Depreciation of organ			(6,630)	(6,629)
Organ carried forward			258,549	265,179
Total Net Assets at 31 December 2023			322,296	312,216

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Balance Sheet 31 December 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed Assets (Note 6)		
Organ	258,549	265,179
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Current Assets		
Cash at bank	68,208	49,455
Debtors	1,395	1,731
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	69,603	51,186
Current Liabilities		
Sundry Creditors	(5,856)	(4,149)
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Net current assets	63,747	47,037
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Funds		
General fund	61,065	68,597
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These accounts were presented to the Parochial Church Council and approved by them on 17th April 2025

Signed by:



P Dulley

Rector

St. Michael's Church, Betchworth Parochial Church Council

Notes to the Accounts 31 December 2024

1. Accounting policies

The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of FRS102. The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCCs, and with the Regulations' "true and fair view" provisions, together with FRS102 (2016) as the applicable accounting standards and the 2016 version of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP(FRS102)).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

General Fund

General funds represent the funds of the Parochial Church Council (the 'PCC') that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application to the general purposes of the PCC.

Income Resources

Voluntary income and capital resources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC.

Planned giving received from pledges is recognised only when received.

Income tax recoverable on pledges or gift aid donations is recognised when the income is recognised.

Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement and the amount due.

Funds raised from events are accounted for gross.

Sales of books, leaflets and magazines from the church bookstall are accounted for gross.

Income from investments

Dividends and interest are accounted for when receivable.

Resources Used

General expenses

General expenses are accounted for on an accrual's basis.

Grants

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding obligation on the PCC.

Activities directly relating to the work of the Church

The parish pledge is accounted for as it is paid. Any pledge amount unpaid at 31 December is not provided for in the accounts as it is an optional (and not a legal) liability. For 2024, the full pledge of £34,200 (2023: £34,034) has been paid.

Organ

Direct building costs of the organ have been capitalised. Depreciation is charged at 2% p.a. to write off the total cost over 50 years.

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Notes to the Accounts

31 December 2024

	General fund- unrestricted £	Fabric fund- restricted £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
2. Incoming resources				
2a. Income resources from donors				
Covenants	34,699	2,470	37,169	38,229
Collections at services	8,601	-	8,601	7,774
Sundry donations	4,604	3,570	8,174	15,123
Grants	650	34,101	34,751	36,000
Legacies	-	-	-	-
	<u>48,554</u>	<u>40,141</u>	<u>88,695</u>	<u>97,126</u>
2b. Income from ancillary transactions				
Magazine	7,038	-	7,038	7,908
Fees re: weddings, burials etc	5,223	-	5,223	6,063
Events	1,247	-	1,247	558
Flowers	55	-	55	96
Brockham Bonfire	-	-	-	-
Confetti sales	-	-	-	-
Insurance claim	-	-	-	-
	<u>13,563</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,563</u>	<u>14,625</u>
2c. Other ordinary income				
Sundry sales	529	-	529	388
Contribution (to)/from Buckland re: benefice costs.	(280)	-	(280)	213
	<u>249</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>249</u>	<u>601</u>
2d. Income from investments				
Interest	12	-	12	4
	<u>12</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>4</u>
Total incoming resources	<u>62,378</u>	<u>40,141</u>	<u>102,519</u>	<u>112,356</u>

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	General fund- unrestricted £	Fabric fund- restricted £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
3. Resources used				
3a. Grants & donations				
Charitable giving (see Note 4)	4,350	-	4,350	4103
3b. Activities directly relating to the work of the church				
Diocesan quota and fees	37,213	-	37,213	35,678
Lighting, heating, and water	3,688	-	3,688	1,953
Church maintenance	1,690	-	1,690	994
Magazine costs	2,894	-	2,894	4,084
Upkeep of churchyard	6,840	-	6,840	6,480
Organist	3,731	-	3,731	4,394
Music costs	-	-	-	133
Organ and piano servicing, etc.	1,804	-	1,804	1,454
Event costs	832	-	832	-
Website costs	560	-	560	-
Insurance	4,646	-	4,646	4,508
Church activities	1,540	-	1,540	1,999
	65,438	-	65,438	61,677
3c Church management and admin				
Paper and printing	63	-	63	138
Bank charges	59	-	59	-
3d. Church repairs	122	-	122	138
Architect's fees	-	12,960	12,960	3,780
Roof repairs	-	2,939	2,939	115,243
	-	15,899	15,899	119,023
Total resources used	69,910	15,899	85,809	184,941

General Donations

Welcare	-	200
Bishop of Southwark Lent Fund	943	617
Church Urban Fund	-	150
Farming Communities Network	400	150
Renewed Hope/Robes	800	300
The Bible Society	-	75
Royal British Legion	177	200
Lungi Sierra Leone	800	750
Medecins sans Frontieres	400	-
Jerusalem & Middle East Church Ass'n	-	288
Practical Action		750

<u>3520</u>	<u>3,480</u>
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Donations from crib service

The Children's Society	330	600
Tracks Through Pastures	400	-
	<u>730</u>	<u>600</u>

Other

Fairtrade	-	23
North Downs School	100	-
	<u>100</u>	<u>23</u>
	<u>4,350</u>	<u>4,103</u>

NB: Welcare & The Children's Society benefitted from collections at the church amounting to £389 (2023: £) and £190 (2023: £356), which were paid to them directly.

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5. Magazine (2b and 3b)

	2024 £	2023 £
Income comprises:		
Donations	2,417	3,131
Advertising	4,621	4,777
	<hr/> 7,038	<hr/> 7,908
Expenditure comprises:		
Printing costs	(2,894)	(4,084)
	<hr/> 4,144	<hr/> 3,824
Balance	<hr/> <hr/> 4,144	<hr/> <hr/> 3,824

6. Organ

	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed Assets comprise:		
Cost	331,473	331,473
Depreciation	(72,924)	(66,294)
	<hr/> 258,549	<hr/> 265,179
Net book value	<hr/> <hr/> 258,549	<hr/> <hr/> 265,179