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St. Dionis Church Annual Report January – December 2024

Reference and Administrative Information

Members of the PCC are normally elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. During 2024 the following served as members of the PCC:

Non-elected members:

Vicar: Revd Tim Stilwell (Until September 2024)

SSM Curate: Russell Rook

Church Wardens: Jo Colman and Su Gahan (Until April 2024)

James Mackenzie Smith (From April 2024)

Mark Younger (From 8th September – 29th November 2024.)

Deanery Synod Representatives: Andrew Slazenger, Su Gahan and Laura Hicks (from April 2022–2024) Roland Durnford Slater and Marilyn Hawkins. (from April 2024)

Elected members:

Aki Akiwumi-Thompson

Joseph Colman (Until September 2024)

Harriette Drew (Until April 2024)

Laura Hicks (Until April 2024)

James Mulford

Chitupa Muzariri (Until August 24)

James Mackenzie-Smith

Jen Symes (Until April 2024)

Emily Mangles (From April 2024)

At the first meeting of the PCC following the APCM (13th May 2024) the following officers were appointed:

Chair: Revd Tim Stilwell (Until 14th September)

Chair: James Mackenzie Smith (from 14th September)

Lay Vice Chair: James Mackenzie Smith

Secretary: Johanna Day – in attendance (Until October 2024)

Treasurer/Chair of the Finance Committee: James Mulford

St Dionis is a registered charity number 1132734.

St Dionis uses the banking services of Metro Bank and Santander.

Derek Rodwell was appointed to carry out the independent examination for 2024. His address details are:

Impact The Future Ltd, Bennett Verby, 5 St Petersgate, Stockport, Cheshire. SK1 1EB

The postal address of the church building is: The Church Office, St Dionis Church, 18a Parsons Green, London, SW6 4UH.



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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Responsibilities of the PCC

The PCC of St Dionis has the responsibility, together with the Vicar, the Revd Tim Stilwell, to promote in the parish the whole mission of the church. This includes the pastoral, evangelistic, social, and ecumenical aspects. It is also responsible for the maintenance of the building complex of St Dionis. As a Church of England Parish church, the PCC and Vicar follow the requirements of Church of England Canon Law.

The PCC continues to operate effectively with two separate sub (standing) Committees, complete with their own terms of reference.

The Finance sub-committee focusses on monitoring the quarterly financial reports, PCC accounts and the budgetary process.

The Human Resources sub-committee focuses mainly on staff-related issues and their respective areas of ministry and mission.

Both standing sub-committees meet in between the main PCC meetings and report back to the main meeting. This governance structure is proving effective with the sub-committees enabling more people with specific expertise to engage with these key areas of PCC leadership and oversight while, at the same time, releasing more time at the main PCC meetings for detailed evaluation centred around our three core values: encounter; embrace; engage.

Finance Standing Committee:

James Mulford (Chair & PCC member)

Emily Mangles (Until April 2024)

Geoff Searle (lay member)

James Mackenzie-Smith

Johanna Day (Until October 2024)

HR Standing Committee:

Revd Tim Stilwell (Chair until June 2024)

Marilyn Hawkins (Chair from June 2024)

Tim Carpenter (lay member)

David Trowbridge (lay member)

Chitupa Muzariri (PCC member) (Until August 2024)

Objectives and Activities

The objectives of St Dionis are to glorify God by promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church. More specifically, the stated mission is 'Growing mission-minded disciples who live for Jesus wherever they are'.

The PCC organises itself to carry out its aims and objectives by having regular meetings and



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various sub-committee meetings. The PCC met seven times over the year. Topics discussed by the PCC included finances (including the substantial increase in the Common Fund), safeguarding, prayer and staffing, with much time dedicated to the Vacancy process following Tim Stilwell's departure in September. Items for discussion on the Vacancy process included the recruitment process for our new Vicar (including the contents of the Parish Profile), election of James Mackenzie Smith and Aki Akiwumi-Thompson as Parish Representatives, and the Diocese of London's decision to sell the Vicarage and purchase a replacement.

Members on the Electoral Roll can nominate candidates for the PCC. The PCC and Church Wardens are then elected annually at the APCM. PCC members are introduced to the workings of the PCC at the beginning of the serving year by the Vicar who provides a briefing paper and verbal comments where necessary.

Day-to-day management of the church is delegated to the Vicar.

Safeguarding

Sandi Durnford-Slater has taken over the role of Parish Safeguarding Officer from Jen Symes. Jen is still supporting Sandi with paperwork, DBS checks and the Dashboard until the new Administration role has been filled and training/handover done.

We are still using the Parish Safeguarding Dashboard system and People Hub (a digital tool to track how safeguarding is being rolled out across the church), we are still on level three (the highest level) and have made good and timely progress against all outstanding actions. The Dashboard introduced a new level of safeguarding standards which we worked through with the PCC on 18th November 2024.

Safeguarding is reported on at every PCC meeting, using the summary of outstanding actions issued from the Parish Safeguarding Dashboard. The PCC approves all church activities annually and the Safeguarding policy and procedures, as highlighted by the dashboard.

Church Attendance

Sunday attendance at St Dionis in 2024 has declined as we saw 64 people leave. We have kept up Livestreaming our evening services. Our sermons are also available in podcast format. Our average attendance was 121 people per week. At the end of the year, there were 233 members on the church database.

Electoral Roll

The Electoral Roll currently comprises 117 registered members (at 31st December 2024) currently 80 people on the new revised roll. This figure represents a decrease compared to the previous year, primarily due to members relocating outside the area. Additionally, the transition into a vacancy period has contributed to some members leaving. Efforts are underway to encourage eligible individuals within our community to join the electoral roll.

Church Staff

This year has seen very significant staff changes at St Dionis and it has been the first year of the full operational partnership between St Dionis and CAS Halls reopening after refurbishment.



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Changes in church leadership and the beginning of the Vacancy period.

In September 2024, we said a fond farewell to Tim and Jo Stillwell as they moved to their new parish of St Mark's Holbrook in September 2024. Many members of the congregation, the PCC and the staff team have demonstrated their dedication to St Dionis, through their increased efforts, commitment and service to keep the day-to-day operations functioning whilst setting out a clear mandate for the appointment of our new Vicar.

We were very fortunate to appoint Chris Russell in December 2024 and look forward to welcoming him and his wife Belinda in April 2025.

Worship Pastor

J.P Edwards was appointed our new Worship pastor joined us in February 2024. In October 2024, J.P role expanded for 12 months to include Pastoral Care and additional support while the church is in vacancy.

Operations Team

Following the departure of our Chief Operating Officer, Johanna Day in October 2024, Judith Sturgess stepped up into a promoted post as Operations Manager in November 2024. Our Operations Assistant Raquel Muzariri moved into a new marketing role in August 2024 and this post is currently vacant.

Children's, Families and Youth Pastor

Hannah Dunlop was promoted to a new post at Ascension Church, Balham as Head of Children's and Youth in December 2024 and this post is currently vacant.

CAS Halls and Facilities Support

Catherine Waldamar Brown and her team of 4 facilities assistants, have provided facilities support to both CAS Halls and St Dionis. We currently have 2 Facilities Assistants in their probation period.

Supporting local and other organisations

Public Benefit

The PCC members, confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit. The church of St Dionis benefits the community through a range of activities, and particularly through Children's Work and in supporting other charities through our volunteer programme, prayer and financial support as appropriate.

WORSHIP AND SERVICES

Worship Services

The 8am has maintained a clear core of regular worshippers, with many weeks continuing to break double-figures.

The 10am continues to be marked by a number of visitors amidst the regular contingent of mostly



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young families. Despite the vacancy, this service has maintained an uplifting spirit, an joyous all-age focus, and yet there remains a curiosity amongst our regulars for what the service will become on the other side of our new vicar's (and eventual new kids pastor's) arrival.

The 5pm has remained relatively consistent in number and continues to carry a more experiential worship focus. With a lengthier service, the audience trends younger than that of the 10am, though this is, by no means, a hard and fast rule. This service responded quite well to the number of guest speakers that were brought in throughout the vacancy this year.

The teaching in 2024 covered a range of topics including: The Good and Beautiful Community (accompanied by James Bryan Smith's book of the same title), The Lord's Prayer (a seven-week deep dive on how Jesus taught his disciples to pray), and Practicing the Way, a series accompanied by the book and life group course of the same name on the spiritual disciplines.

Register of Occasional Services

Throughout the year, we conducted 3 baptisms, 3 thanksgiving services for the birth of a child, 2 weddings, and 2 funerals.

Sung Worship

This has been a challenging year for the worship team numbers-wise, with several key volunteers moving on from St. Dionis right around the time our new worship pastor, JP Edwards, arrived or later in the year when our previous vicar moved on. That said, a few core leaders, in addition to JP, have remained to keep the quality of our worship music high, even if the quantity of musicians was low. And the production team has continued strong, supporting the overall flow of service from a technical perspective each week. The stripped back expression of worship has felt appropriate in this season and may remain a fixture of our sung worship long term, even as the team grows in numbers again. This will depend on the leadership and preferences of our new vicar.

DISCIPLESHIP AND FELLOWSHIP

Prayer plus Central Prayer & Worship

We held three Central Prayer & Worship evenings in 2024. CP&W has gathered significant numbers of people (+50?) each time it has happened, especially when it meets on a Life Group evenings. The church showed a deepening appetite for prayer, particularly in this season without a vicar. The church unified in prayer in an earnest search for God's direction in bringing the right vicar and God's wisdom in continuing to be a light to Parson's Green throughout the vacancy.

Weekend Away

In January 2024, 128 members of the church gathered for the annual St Dionis Weekend Away, returning to the De Vere Beaumont Estate near Windsor. The venue's excellent facilities and beautiful surroundings provided the perfect backdrop for a weekend of worship, fellowship, and spiritual growth. The teaching sessions were led by Jon Tyson, who spoke on the theme "Consecration in a Time of Compromise," offering valuable insights and encouragement to the congregation. Alongside the main programme, 30 children and young people participated in a dedicated Children's and Youth Programme, ensuring an enriching experience for all ages.

The weekend offered a balance of structured activities and free time. On Saturday afternoon,



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attendees enjoyed a variety of leisure options, including swimming in the River Thames, playing touch rugby, running, or simply relaxing and enjoying the peaceful surroundings. The time spent together deepened connections within the church family, creating opportunities for meaningful conversations and shared experiences.

Saturday evening brought everyone together for a lively quiz night hosted by Harry and Catherine Waldamar Brown, which was filled with laughter and friendly competition. The St Dionis Weekend Away remains a highlight of the church calendar, providing space for worship, teaching, and community building in a refreshing and uplifting environment.

Life Groups

While there has been a change in the makeup of certain groups, we have essentially maintained the same number of groups. A new group launched (with seven new people and ten total people) in the autumn term, several new people showed interest in groups, and two new people were placed in groups toward the end of the year. Throughout the autumn term, life groups all followed the *Practicing the Way* curriculum, which turned out to be a success. People engaged and generally enjoyed the group study on spiritual disciplines that coincided with our Sunday series throughout the term.

Children and Families Ministry

At the 10am service we have continued a combination of Worship for Everyone services, where we gather across the ages to worship, and weeks with separate groups for children and young people alongside time for teaching and ministry aimed at adults.

Following the listening exercise and a period of consultation a new format for the 10am was agreed. In practice this has been challenging to resource. Since October we have been able to run children's groups approximately twice a month.

Worship for Everyone and children's groups series have included exploring parables, the Holy Spirit, Joseph, key women in the Bible, the Lord's Prayer and practicing the way.

Messy Church continues to be very popular in the local area with over 100 coming each time this year. The themes were God's Party, Easter, Pentecost, Olympics and a Superhero themed Light Party. Whilst Messy Church is currently on pause, we hope to be able to relaunch this when a new Children's and Families Pastor joins the team.

Supporting and equipping parents remains an important part of the Children and Families Ministry. The Soul Food Mums group has continued to be a space for Mums of new babies to meet and support each other.

A highlight this year, was the church weekend away, where children across the ages looked at Psalm 8 and how amazing that God created everything, and he cares for us so much. Having seen the youth group at the weekend away go from 2 young people when she started to 10 attending this year, was a particular blessing for Hannah.

Other highlights of the year included the Parsons Green Fair and Christmas Services.



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Youth Ministry

Sunday youth has continued to meet at the 10am service twice a month during the service, this year the topics have been in line with the sermon series. Alongside this we encourage the young people to get involved in other aspects of church life as young leaders, currently young people are serving with younger children, on the production and welcome teams.

After seeking feedback from both the young people and leaders we extended the midweek youth group by half an hour. This has allowed us to go a bit deeper in our discussion time. Alongside lots of games we have explored the basics of the Christian faith and a series on the whole story of the Bible. It has been great to see how the young people have really responded to different creative ways of learning about the whole story of the Bible. This group might be small; however, it continues to be so valuable in supporting the young people and particularly for encouraging those who don't come on Sundays.

We have continued to collaborate with Christ Church Fulham, running a monthly youth night together. This has included a creative night, escape room, ultimate showdown, karaoke and worship night, summer BBQ, chocolate night and light party. It has been encouraging to see more integration between the young people over the year and several of the young people bring their friends along.

Hannah remained connected in with the Kensington Area running a regular gathering of children's and youth workers, and as a Growing Younger Champion; a group which looks to promote work with and empower churches to engage with young people.

Schools Ministry

In 2024 Hannah and Tim regularly led assemblies, talks and events at a number of local primary and secondary schools as well as host services at the church.

Hannah continued running a weekly Christian Union in Lady Margaret School. It has been a joy to see the students grow in maturity and faith as Hannah has journeyed with them over the years from year 7 to year 10. Emily from St Peter's Fulham will continue this group after Hannah leaves.

After a trial at the end of the previous year a drop in was launched for students from LMS. Running twice a term, we welcomed a large number of students into church advertising it as a 'space to belong'; a safe and welcoming space to come and hang out in after school. Hannah was beginning to consider ways of building on this, with the potential of doing an enquirers course like Alpha.

Nursery to year 2 from Thomas Academy were welcomed to the church in December to hear the Christmas story and how Jesus is the King that Gods people had been waiting for.

This year, we also welcomed year 10s from Hurlingham academy. The students quizzed Tim and Hannah with all sorts of challenging and thoughtful questions about faith, many taking Bibles home to find out more for themselves.



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EVANGELISM AND WORK IN THE COMMUNITY

The CAS Partnership

The CAS Halls had their first full year of operation in 2024 since the renovation, welcoming both returning and new clients. Among the new users was KYN Care Homes, a local care home in the parish, which utilized the space for staff interviews and training sessions. The halls continued to host a variety of regular groups, including Little Kickers, Monkey Music, Perform classes, Ballet, and Pilates. Additionally, the halls remained a popular venue for children's birthday parties on most weekends, as well as receptions and political social events. The Charity ran its first community cooking course which was attended by local families.

St Dionis made use of the halls for its ministries, including Sunday Children's and Youth Groups, Monthly Fulham All in Youth Groups, Glass Door Homeless Shelters, and Life Groups.

The year saw changes within the CAS Partnership's staffing structure. Both Johanna Day and Raquel Muzariri left their roles during the year. In response, the Facilities Assistants team expanded to four members who now work closely with Catherine Waldemar Brown, the Front of House & Facilities Manager. Catherine has been instrumental in the operations of the halls, fostering relationships with hirers, and expanding marketing efforts to generate additional income for CAS Halls.

As we move forward into 2025, the CAS Partnership is focused on strengthening relationships with its hirers while continuing to grow its impact.

The Alpha Course

We have not run the Alpha course in 2024 and will look at what courses we run with the new Vicar in 2025.

Glass Door

Wonderfully, we have also been able to host the Glass Door night shelters again this year. We have hosted the Women's only night shelter, due to increased need, and we have signed up to provide the venue for the weekly Women's only night shelter every Wednesday for the whole 24/25 season.

Marilyn Hawkins has taken on co-ordinating our volunteers (a mixture of St Dionis congregation members and local community members) and liaising with the CAS halls to ensure the night shelter has the support, processes and resources it requires. We have continued to encourage Life Groups to volunteer as a group each week instead of meeting as a Life Group.

Foodbank

Foodbank offers food parcels via a voucher scheme to those most in need in the local community. In 2024 Steve Huxford continued as our Foodbank Champion. We have done 2 collections this year, including special Harvest collections alongside smaller more regular collections via the Foodbank basket, which is available year-round in the reception area for ad-hoc donations.



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Crosslight Debt Advice

Crosslight is a debt advice charity that seeks to bring dignity and hope to those struggling with debt. St Dionis has prepared a 'satellite' centre since 2021. In 2024, we continued to grow the outreach from the church, regularly booking in up to 4 clients in an evening. Nearly everyone who attends our other debt sessions live close to St Dionis but have never stepped into the church before. It has been amazing to see their faces light up as they enter and see the church. We have also started to try and signpost to other services supported by the church. The Money Advice Course ran successfully in 2024 and we will run this again in 2025.

Safe Families

We have continued to work alongside Safe Families throughout 2024, with a small number of our congregation connecting with local families who require additional help and support; be that a friend to chat to, a spare room for one of the family members to sleep in every so often, or someone to give practical help and advice.

We also shared requests from Safe Families directly with the church congregation via 60 Seconds. We will continue to encourage the congregation to sign up and support our local families in need through the work of Safe Families.

IJM

We ran a clothes swap in June 2024 which was attended well by Local Residents.

During the year we had prayer meetings and regular updates in 60 seconds for the work of IJM led by Chitupa Muzariri until she stood down in August 2024.

We continue to support the work of Blue Bear Coffee who give a proportion of their profits to IJM: they are our main coffee supplier.

Eco-Church 2024

As an A-Rocha Bronze Award Eco-church, we have continued to consider the environment in all our purchases, be that stationery, online shopping, cleaning supplies, refreshments.

Christmas

In 2024, we were delighted to host a variety of Christmas services and events, welcoming back local schools, nurseries, and community groups. Below is a summary of the highlights:

School and Nursery Engagement

We welcomed Zebedee Nursery, Pippa Poppins Nursery, Parsons Green Prep, Thomas Fulham, and Lady Margaret School for in-person Christmas services and rehearsals.

Thomas Fulham included a Christmas talk by Rev James Bailey during their carol services.

Wellington College returned to us for their Christmas event ran by students, which partnered with Great Ormond Street Hospital to support families receiving treatment for cerebral palsy. It was great to see students from the College living locally in Parsons Green hosting this event.



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Community Events

The season began with Carols on The Green, a collaborative event with St Matthew's and Christ Church Fulham, attracting over 300 attendees. Rev. William Rogers from St Matthew's gave a short talk, while local businesses provided hot drinks and distributed leaflets promoting Christmas services. The event featured the Salvation Army Brass Band and our Curate, Russell Rook.

We also hosted The Daisy Trust's Carol Service, which supports residents in Hammersmith and Fulham. This partnership will continue into 2025.

Church Services

Our Carols by Candlelight Service was a highlight, featuring the Exultate choir and attended by 192 people. Refreshments were served afterwards. A new initiative, Carols on Tour, brought carols and the Christmas message to various locations in Fulham, which was warmly received by the community.

The well-attended Crib Service on Christmas Eve saw over 150 adults and children participating. Children dressed up as part of the nativity story and received take-home packs to remember the message. The Midnight Holy Communion Service had 63 attendees, while the Christmas Day Celebration welcomed 35 people.

Additional Activities

As in previous years, we leased our front garden to Thomas, a Christmas tree seller. This initiative brought residents into the church space. These events reflected our commitment to sharing the joy of Christmas with our congregation and the wider community, fostering connections through worship, celebration, and outreach.



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Financial Report

Income

The principle source of funding is from congregation members and other supporters in the form of unrestricted donations, regular collections, standing orders and direct debits via the Parish Giving Scheme. The total amount raised in this way for the ministries of St. Dionis in 2024 was £344,428 (2023 £ 412094).

Additional income of £ 156,789 (2023 £ 109,622) was also generated from the rental of the building, investment income and other church activities including restricted funds.

Expenditure

Expenditures are analysed according to different church activities outlined in Note 3 of the financial statements. As is customary, the majority of expenditure was allocated towards each of the key priorities of the church.

St. Dionis contributed £91,300 (2023 £105,307) to the London Diocese Common Fund. In 2023, the Parish Standard Cost was £87,775 (2023 £87,775). In 2024 St Dionis did not make an additional contribution to this fund.

Policy on reserves

PCC policy is to not deliberately build up reserves unnecessarily. The Church of England recommends holding three months of working capital in reserve. Due to the growth of the church as well as higher costs, the Finance Committee has increased the designated Reserves Fund to cover three months of expected operational spending, resulting in a reserve of £ 140,000 (2023 £140,000).

Total unrestricted and designated free reserves at 31 December 2024 amounted to 300,091 (2023 £ 354,534 (see Note 9 – Total Funds less Restricted Funds and less Fixed Assets)).

Risk assessment and mitigation

The financial risks which St. Dionis faces have been considered and measures have been implemented to ensure that appropriate systems, policies and procedures are in place to manage and mitigate the risks. As a matter of general policy, independent professional advice is taken where appropriate.

The PCC are confident that with the continued support of the congregation, and appropriate management of expenditure, the church is a going concern and will continue to be financially viable during the ongoing cost of living crisis. The PCC are thankful to God's provision and to all those who gave their time and money so generously 2024, without whom we would not be able to grow and maintain a successful church in Parsons Green. The PCC would like to record its deep gratitude to everyone who has supported the vision and mission of St. Dionis.

Charity law requires the Parochial Church Council to prepare a statement of financial activities and statement of assets and liabilities for each financial year, which gives a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the church and of its financial activities for that year and adequately distinguishes any material special trust or other restricted fund of the church. In preparing those



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financial statements the Parochial Church Council is required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether the policies adopted are in accordance with the appropriate SORP on Accounting by Charities and the Accounting Regulations and with applicable accounting standards, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- Prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the church will continue to operate.

The Statement of Financial Activities for January – December 2024 can be found at Annex A.

The Parochial Church Council is responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the church, and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with applicable Accounting Standards and Statements of Recommended Practice, and the regulations made under the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the church and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the PCC of St Dionis and signed on its behalf;

Name: James Mulford

Position: Trustee and Chair of the Finance Committee/Treasurer

Date: 06/05/2025



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Independent Examiner's Report to the PCC of St Dionis, Parsons Green

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2023 that are set out on pages 15 to 26.

Respective responsibilities of the PCC and Independent Examiner

The PCC is responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the church is not subject to audit and is eligible for independent examination it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

This report, including my statement, has been prepared for and only for the PCC as a body. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the PCC those matters that I am required to state to them in an independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to any other than the church and the PCC as a body for my examination work, for this report or for the statements that I have made.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

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 church and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you the trustees, concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that 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 matters have come to my attention:

1. which give me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with s.130 of the 2011 Act; or
 - to prepare accounts which accord with these accounting records have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Date: 7th May 2025

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Statement of Financial Activity

Parochial Church Council of St. Dionis, Parsons Green

For the year ended 31 December 2024

Year Ended 31 December 2024					Year Ended 31 December 2023				
Notes	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Designated Funds	Unrestricted Funds	TOTAL FUNDS	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Designated Funds	Unrestricted Funds	TOTAL FUNDS	
Turnover									
Total Congregation Giving & Donations	2a)	9,795	0	334,633	344,428	2,977	3,373	405,744	412,094
Income from Charitable Activities	2b)	0	2,053	74,191	76,244	2,000	2,295	61,837	66,132
Investment Income	2c)	0	0	3,201	3,201	0	0	284	284
Other Income	2d)	0	0	77,345	77,345	0	0	43,205	43,205
Total Income		9,795	2,053	489,369	501,218	4,977	5,668	511,071	521,716
Expenditure									
Expenditure on Charitable Activities	3	6,974	20,964	545,711	573,649	4,977	26,951	496,883	528,811
Cost of Generating Funds	3	0	0	761	761	0	0	981	981
Total Expenditure		6,974	20,964	546,472	574,410	4,977	26,951	497,865	529,793
Net Incoming (Outgoing)									
Resources		2,821	(18,911)	(57,103)	(73,192)	0	(21,283)	13,207	(8,077)
Transfers									
Gross transfers between funds - in		0	(2,660)		(2,660)	0	29,120		29,120
Gross transfers between funds - out				2,660	2,660			(29,120)	(29,120)
Net movement in funds		2,821	(21,571)	(54,443)	(73,192)	0	7,837	(15,913)	(8,077)
Funds Brought Forward 1	9	132	315,889	119,533	435,554	132	308,052	135,447	443,631
Funds Carried Forward 31 December	9	2,953	294,318	65,091	362,362	132	315,889	119,533	435,554

Note

Expenditure is split between Charitable Activities, Cost of Generating Funds (primarily online payment fees)

A further analysis is shown in Note 3

2023 is adjusted vs what was presented in the 2023 accounts with a reduction in spending of £42 driven by 2 minor transaction adjustments.



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Balance Sheet Report

Parochial Church Council of St. Dionis, Parsons Green
As at 31 December 2024

Account	Notes	31 Dec 2024	31 Dec 2023	Movements in Year
Fixed Assets				
Total Fixed Assets	4	59,318	80,889	(21,571)
Current Assets				
Total Debtors	5	37,238	25,917	11,322
Total Cash at bank and in hand	6	307,484	344,936	(37,452)
Total Prepayments and accrued income	7	0	25,052	(25,052)
Total Current Assets		344,723	395,905	(51,182)
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year				
Total Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8a	41,679	41,239	440
Net Current Assets (Liabilities)		303,044	354,665	(51,622)
Total Assets less Current Liabilities		362,361	435,554	(73,193)
Net Assets		362,361	435,554	(73,193)
Capital and Reserves				
Current Year Earnings		(73,192)	(8,077)	(65,116)
Retained Earnings		435,554	443,631	(8,077)
Total Capital and Reserves	9	362,361	435,554	(73,192)

Note

2023 is adjusted vs what was presented in the 2023 accounts with a reduction in spending of £42 driven by 2 minor transaction adjustments. This reduces Accounts Payable (Current Liabilities) and Current Year Earnings in 2023 vs prior year published accounts.

Approved by the PCC of St Dionis and signed on its behalf;

Name: James Mulford

Position: Trustee and Chair of the Finance Committee/Treasurer

Date: 06/05/2025



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Statement of Cashflow - Indirect Method

Parochial Church Council of St. Dionis, Parsons Green

For the year ended 31 December 2024

		2024	2023
	Notes	£	£
<i>Cash Flows from Operating Activities:</i>			
Net (expenditure)/income for the Year		(73,192)	(8,077)
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation	4	21,571	22,164
Interest Expense for Long Term Loan		-	-
(Increase) Decrease in operating activity debtors	5	(11,322)	(836)
(Increase) Decrease in operating activity deposits & prepayments	7	25,052	(458)
(Decrease) in operating activity creditors	8	440	5,126
Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities:		(37,451)	17,919
<i>Cash Flows from Investing Activities:</i>			
Purchase of fixed assets	4	-	-
Net Cash from Investing Activities:		-	-
<i>Cash Flows from Financing activities:</i>			
Interest paid on Long Term Loan		-	-
Loans received in Current Year from Financing Activities		-	-
(Repayments) from long term borrowing	8b	-	-
Issuing of Loans		-	-
Net Cash Flows from Financing activities:		-	-
Net (Decrease)/Increase in Cash and Cash equivalents		(37,451)	17,919
Movement in cash and cash equivalents:			
Net (Decrease)/Increase in cash and cash equivalent		(37,452)	17,929
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		344,936	327,007
Cash and cash equivalent as at end of Period		307,484	344,936



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PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. DIONIS , PARSONS GREEN, LONDON SW6 4UH NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

1 Accounting Policies

a Basis of preparation

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 together with and 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 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

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

The PCC considers that St Dionis Church is a going concern as it has prepared what it considers a viable budget that shows that the current level of unrestricted reserves is appropriate to support the activities planned for 2025 and for the foreseeable future. Therefore, the accounts are prepared based on St Dionis Church being a going concern.

b Reconciliation with previous Generally Accepted Accounting Practice

In preparing the accounts, the PCC has considered whether in applying the accounting policies required by FRS 102 and the Charities SORP FRS 102 the restatement of comparative items was required. No restatements have been considered necessary.

c Fund Accounting

Funds held by the PCC are:

Unrestricted Funds - General Funds which can be used for PCC ordinary purposes

Designated Funds - Monies set aside by the PCC out of Unrestricted Funds for specific future purposes or projects. These can be redesignated to unrestricted funds at any time by the PCC.

Restricted Funds

a) Income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest;

b) Donations or grants received for a specific object or invited by the PCC for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of the year is carried forward as a balance on that fund.

d Description of Funds

Funds held by the PCC are:

General Fund - the General Fund is used by the PCC for general and ordinary operations of the Church

PCC Reserves Fund (Designated) - Monies set aside by the PCC out of the General Fund to ensure that the Church has reserves equivalent to 3 months working capital on general operating expenses.

Building Fund (Designated) - Monies set aside by the PCC out of the General Fund for future costs of maintaining the structure and integrity of the Church building

Tangible Asset Fund (Designated) - Monies used to purchase Fixed Assets for the Church and allows recording of depreciation separately

Youth Shed Fund (Designated) - Monies set aside by the PCC for a "youth shed" building to provide separate space primarily for use by the Youth - re-assigned in 2023.

Bursary, Support Grants & Mission giving (Restricted) - Fund used to identify where giving was meant for a specific purpose such as specific appeals.

Restored (Restricted) - Funds for domestic abuse charity

e Income

All Income resources are accounted for as gross except for Goodbox where the net receipts are auto processed.

Voluntary Income

Collections are recognised when received and assumed to be part of regular giving unless for a specific response

Regular Giving is recognised only when received

Gift Aid Recoverable is recognised on an accrual basis

Grants and Legacies are recognised when the PCC is legally entitled to the amounts granted

Income from Investments

Dividends are accounted for when they are due and payable.

Interest entitlements are accounted for on an accrual basis

All Other Income

All other Income is recognised on an accrual basis

Gains and Losses on Investments

Realised gains are recognised when the investments are sold

Unrealised gains and losses are marked to market on a revaluation date of 31 December 2024



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f Expenditure

Resources Expended are accounted for on an accrual basis and are accounted for gross.

Grants

Grants and donations are accounted for when the PCC awards the amounts inline with a pre-agreed figure. Otherwise, grants and donations are accounted for when paid.

g Fixed Assets

Tangible Fixed Assets

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by S.96(2) of the Charities Act 1993

Movable church furniture held by the Vicar and Church Wardens on special trust for the PCC and which may require a faculty for disposal, are accounted as inalienable property unless consecrated.

They are listed in the church's inventory which can be inspected.

For inalienable property acquired prior to 2000, there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the accounts.

Individual items acquired since 2000 have been capitalised in the accounts and depreciated over their useful economic life

All expenditure on consecrated or beneficed buildings and individual items costing £1000 or less are written off in the year they were incurred.

h Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated to write down the cost of tangible fixed assets, excluding freehold properties, over the useful life of the asset. The rates adopted by the PCC are:

Furniture and Fittings	10% Straight Line
Audio / Visual Equipment	20% Straight Line
Piano	Held at book value

i Investments

Investments are stated at Market Value at the Balance Sheet Date

j Current Assets

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December 2024 in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less provision for amounts that may be proved uncollectible, currently no such provision exists.



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2 Income Breakdown

	Year Ended 31 December 2024				Year Ended 31 December 2023			
	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Designated Funds	Unrestricted Funds	TOTAL FUNDS	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Designated Funds	Unrestricted Funds	TOTAL FUNDS
2a) Congregation Giving and Donations								
Regular Giving	-	-	231,351	231,351	-	-	296,089	296,089
One Off Donations	7,729	-	38,965	46,694	175	3,373	36,626	40,174
Service Collections	2,066	-	4,800	6,866	2,802	-	4,132	6,934
Income Tax Refunded	-	-	59,517	59,517	-	-	68,898	68,898
Total Congregation Giving & Donations	9,795	-	334,633	344,428	2,977	3,373	405,744	412,094
	-	-	0	0	-	-	0	0
2b) Income from Charitable Activities								
Hire of Church Building	-	293	55,433	55,726	-	65	37,226	37,291
Statutory Fees Collected for PCC & Diocese	-	350	1,248	1,598	-	-	1,442	1,442
Other Church Income	-	1,410	17,509	18,919	2,000	2,230	23,169	27,399
Total Income from Charitable Activities	-	2,053	74,191	76,244	2,000	2,295	61,837	66,132
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2c) Investment Income								
Interest Income	-	-	3,201	3,201	-	-	284	284
	-	-	3,201	3,201	-	-	284	284
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2d) Other Income								
Network Tower & Other Income	-	-	18,727	18,727	-	-	18,401	18,401
CAS Partnership Income	-	-	58,617	58,617	-	-	24,804	24,804
	-	-	77,345	77,345	-	-	43,205	43,205
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	9,795	2,053	489,369	501,218	4,977	5,668	511,071	521,716



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3 Expenditure Breakdown

	Note	Direct Costs	Staff Costs	Depreciation	Central Costs	Total 2024	Direct Costs	Staff Costs	Depreciation	Central Costs	Total 2023
Expenditure on Charitable Activities											
Contribution to London Diocese		91,300				91,300	105,307				105,307
Youth & Childrens Ministry		3,801	35,911		23,152	62,863	4,229	34,031		23,138	61,398
Worship Ministry		7,194	28,589	18,067	23,152	77,000	10,840	15,294	18,659	23,138	67,932
Mission Giving	3b	35,406	-			35,406	9,192				9,192
Church Services, Ministries & Outreach		46,855	71,506	3,504	185,214	307,079	64,310	32,062	3,504	185,106	284,983
							-				
Expenditure on Charitable Activities		184,556	136,005	21,571	231,517	573,649	193,878	81,387	22,164	231,383	528,812
Cost of Generating Funds		761				761	981				981
Central Costs	3a	85,450	146,068	-	231,517	-	91,093	140,290	-	231,383	-
Total Expenditure		270,767	282,072	21,571	-	574,410	285,953	221,677	22,164	-	529,793

Expenditure has been split in order to show core elements of the church operations and fulfilment of the charity objectives, with the below summary to aid readers understanding

Category	Direct Costs	Staff Costs
Contribution to London Diocese	This is the common fund contribution to the central london diocese, that covers the salary of the incumbent and wider central Church of England costs. More details can be found on the London Diocese webpage https://www.london.anglican.org/support/finance/common-fund/	
Youth & Childrens Ministry	Direct costs associated with all youth and childrens ministries	Children & Families Pastor
Worship Ministry	Direct costs associated with worship including the depreciation of the Audio Visual assets	Worship Pastor
Mission Giving	Financial gifts given to partner charities, details shown in 3b) below	
Church Services, Ministries & Outreach	Church service running costs and all other ministries & outreach costs, ordinand costs and associate vicar living costs	Associate Vicar (paid via Diocese), Facilities Assistants
Cost of Generating Funds	Costs Associated with raising funds - primarily from using 3rd party apps such as Stripe to facilitate donations	
Central Costs	All overhead costs related to running a charity, including facilities, governance and finance	Partnership Director, Ops Manager, Ops Admin & Front of House

3a)

As per SORP guidelines, the central costs are allocated across the related categories - the allocation key is detailed below and factored based on time of central staff and usage of central resources

Youth & Childrens Ministry	10%
Worship Ministry	10%
Church Services, Ministries & Outreach	80%

3b)

Mission Giving list of charity partners

	2024	2023
CAS	35,000	
Evangelical Alliance	200	200
Foodbank		906
Love for the Least	980	1,824
CEEC		1,000
IJM		4,631
Embrace the Middle Ea	750	
2022 Accrual Reversal	-	4,892
2023 Accrual	5,524	5,524
2024 Accrual	4,000	
Total	35,406	9,192

Updated representation to show the accruals given that at the end of the year the PCC has no obligation to make the donations to specific charities. This therefore better represents the position.
The 2024 Accrual was split between Latin Link (£2,000) and St Matthews Fulham (£2,000)

3c)

Central Costs Analysis

The central costs can be broken down by source spending as below

	2024	2023
Utilities	21,008	20,860
Other Building Costs	25,455	38,369
IT & Other Admin Costs	21,080	21,458
Professional Fees	13,142	10,407
Staff Costs	146,068	140,290
Other Costs	4,765	
Total Central Cost	231,517	231,383



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4) Fixed Assets

Fixed Asset Reconciliation

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	Audio Visual system	Furniture & Fixture	Piano	Total
Opening Cost	138,157	37,504	2,000	177,662
Additions	0	0	0	0
Disposal				0
Closing Cost	138,157	37,504	2,000	177,662
Opening Accum Dep	80,534	16,239	0	96,773
Depreciation	18,067	3,504	0	21,571
Disposals	0			0
Closing Accum Dep	98,600	19,744	0	118,344
Opening Book Value	57,624	21,265	2,000	80,889
Closing Book Value	39,557	17,761	2,000	59,318

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Additions	0	0	0	0
Disposal				0
Closing Cost	138,157	37,504	2,000	177,662
Opening Accum Dep	61,874	12,735	0	74,609
Depreciation	18,659	3,504	0	22,164
Disposals	0			0
Closing Accum Dep	80,534	16,239	0	96,773
Opening Book Value	76,283	24,769	2,000	103,052
Closing Book Value	57,624	21,265	2,000	80,889



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5 Debtors	2024	2023
Accounts Receivable	30	0
Other Receivables	17,208	5,917
CAS Loan	20,000	20,000
Total Debtors	37,238	25,917

*An interest free loan was issued to CAS (Charlotte Antonia Sullivan Charity) to aid in the refurbishment work of the charity. CAS is a charity that exists to support the objectives of St Dionis church. Rev Tim Stilwell was a trustee of CAS along with being the Vicar of St Dionis until 15/09/2024 when he ceased to be Vicar and by extension a trustee of CAS. The loan was extended into 2025

6 Cash at bank and in hand	2024	2023
Cash-in-Hand	710	497
LC Credit Card Security Amount	4,642	4,590
Living Space Fundraising Acct	-	5,760
PCC Reserve Deposit Account	0	7,596
Santander Business Account	60,275	274,654
St. Dionis - Activity Account	464	24,079
St. Dionis - Business Account	6,359	27,536
Stripe GBP	34	225
Ethical 40 Day Notice	95,000	-
Fixed 1 year saving 4.46%	140,000	-
Total Cash at bank and in hand	307,484	344,936

	2024	2023
7 Prepayments and deposits	0	25,052



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8a) Current Liabilities

	2024	2023
Accounts Payable	11,792	3,302
Deposits received for Weekend Away	0	13,693
Loan payable to diocese within 1 year	- 1 -	1
Other Accrued Payables	10,135	11,652
Rounding	- 3 -	4
Deferred Income	-	1,783
Pension Contributions Due	1,461	1,055
Payroll Taxes Due to HMRC	17,335	6,596
Salaries Payable	210	-
Credit Card Spend	750	3,164
Total Creditors: amounts falling due within one	41,679	41,239

8b) Non Current Liabilities

	0	0
Total Liabilities	41,679	41,239



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9) Statement of Funds

	<i>Balance Brought Forward 01-Jan-24</i>	<i>Income & Other Gains / (Losses)</i>	<i>Expenditu re</i>	<i>Transfers</i>	<i>Balance Year Ended 31-Dec-24</i>		<i>Balance Brought Forward 01-Jan-23</i>	<i>Income & Other Gains / (Losses)</i>	<i>Expendit ure</i>	<i>Transfer s</i>	<i>Balance Year Ended 31-Dec-23</i>
	£	£	£	£	£		£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds											
General Fund	119,533	489,369	(546,472)	2,660	65,091		135,447	511,071	(497,865)	(29,120)	119,533
	119,533	489,369	(546,472)	2,660	65,091		135,447	511,071	(497,865)	(29,120)	119,533
Designated Funds											
Building Fund	95,000	0			95,000		50,000	0	0	45,000	95,000
PCC Reserves	140,000	0	0	0	140,000		140,000	0	0	0	140,000
Tangible Assets (Designated)	80,889		(19,619)	(1,952)	59,318		103,052	0	(22,164)	0	80,889
Youth Shed Fund	0				0		15,000			(15,000)	0
Pass Through Funds	0	2,053	(1,345)	(708)	0		0	5,668	(4,788)	(880)	0
	315,889	2,053	(20,964)	(2,660)	294,318		308,052	5,668	(26,951)	29,120	315,889
Restricted Funds											
Restored	0	2,500	0		2,500						
Bursary, Support Grants & Mission giving	132	7,295	(6,974)		453		132	4,977	(4,977)	0	132
	132	9,795	(6,974)	0	2,953		132	4,977	(4,977)	0	132
TOTAL FUNDS											
	435,554	501,218	(574,410)	0	362,362	0	443,631	521,716	(529,793)	0	435,554



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9b) Analysis of Net Assets by Fund

	<i>Unrestrict ed Funds</i>	<i>Designate d Funds</i>	<i>Restricted Funds</i>	<i>TOTAL FUNDS</i>	<i>Unrestrict ed Funds</i>	<i>Designated Funds</i>	<i>Restricted Funds</i>	<i>TOTAL FUNDS</i>
	<i>2024</i>	<i>2024</i>	<i>2024</i>	<i>2024</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>2023</i>
	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Fixed Assets for Church Use		59,318	-	59,318		80,889		80,889
Cash & Cash Equivalents	69,531	235,000	2,953	307,484	109,804	235,000	132	344,936
Other Current Assets	37,238			37,238	50,969			50,969
Total Liabilities	(41,679)			(41,679)	(41,239)			(41,239)
	65,091	294,318	2,953	362,361	119,533	315,889	132	435,554



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10 Staff Costs, Numbers & Key Management Personnel

	2024	2023
Wages & Salaries	259,255	190,000
Employers National Insurance Contributions	18,470	12,076
Employers Pension Contributions	6,690	4,650
Total	284,416	206,727
Average FTE # Staff	6.77	6.01

Above figures exclude clergy who are paid through the diocese.

1 employee received total employee benefits (excluding employer pension) in excess of £60,000, in the band [£80,000 - £90,000] (2023: none)
A separation agreement was made with 1 individual to the value of £23,124.81 - which is included in the above.

The key management role was performed by the Revd Tim Stilwell until his resignation which was effective 15th September 2024. Tim Stilwell received his stipend directly from the Diocese. The Revd Stilwell received no remuneration or benefits in kind directly from St Dionis during the financial reporting period

After this period - the key management role was performed by the PCC as a body, with the church wardens as focals.

This was James Mackenzie Smith and Mark Younger (8th September 2024 - 29th November 2024)

The church encourages and relies upon the ongoing involvement of volunteers from the congregation who help with all aspects of the work of the Parish including serving on Sundays, assisting at church led events and prayer groups.

11 Related Party Transactions

The total known identifiable donations to St. Dionis Church by serving Trustees in the year ended 31 December 2024 was £22,190.96 (2023: £39,721.69).

There were no other disclosable transactions in respect of PCC members or other persons closely connected with them or related parties.

The church were given discounted rates from Charlotte Antonia Sullivan (CAS) Trust in line with the CAS mission statement for hire of the halls for church activities

The Revd Tim Stilwell by virtue of his position as vicar of St Dionis was also a member of the board of CAS until 15th September 2024 when he left the post of Vicar

During the year, Mark Younger (the chair of trustees for CAS) also acted as church warden between 8th September 2024 and 29th November 2024.

St Dionis provided a grant to CAS of £35k in order to help support CAS with their loan covenant agreements.

The £20k loan was deferred to 2025 repayment as interest rates had not reduced at expected rates.

CAS purchase services of facilities assistants and other support staff who support both CAS and St Dionis buildings. The payments for this came to £58,617 in 2024.

12 Post Balance Sheet Events

No post balance sheet events to be reported