

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF STOCKTON-ON-TEES ST PETER

England & Wales · Charity number 1132812

Details

Other names STOCKTON-ON-TEES ST PETER.

Status Registered

Legal form Previously excepted

Registered 2009-11-19

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: Promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church.

Activities: Regular public worship open to all. The provision of sacred space for personal prayer and contemplation. Teaching of Christianity through sermons, courses and small groups. Promoting the whole mission of the Church through provision of activities for senior citizens, parents and toddlers and other special need groups. Supporting other charities in the UK and overseas.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** UNDEFINED. IN PRACTICE, LOCAL.
- Stockton-on-tees

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£169,085	£99,393	-	-
2024-12-31	£290,834	£325,343	-	-
2023-12-31	£122,515	£209,064	-	-
2022-12-31	£238,138	£269,889	-	-
2021-12-31	£115,497	£121,941	-	-
2020-12-31	£85,309	£135,485	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev Cameron Peter Abernethy	Chair	2023-09-03
CAROL ANN VIRGINIA HORSLEY		
DAVID PETER LAWSON		
David Pickup		2026-05-03
Dr Amith Paul		2021-05-23
George Oliver Barber		2022-05-22
JANE LOUISE NEAL		2014-04-28
MICHAEL WALTER SHORT		2011-06-30
MRS RUTH HICKS		
Margaret Roberts		2020-10-18
Penny Mathews		2026-05-03
Rachel Mason		2026-05-03
Rebecca Dodd		2020-10-18
Rev Daniel Ackerley		2020-06-01
Rev Emily Carling		2025-06-29
SANDRA HAUXWELL		
SUZANNE MINES		2011-07-09
Viktor Odoh		2024-05-19

Accounts

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, STOCKTON ON TEES

CHARITY NO: 1132812

ANNUAL REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2025

Incumbent:

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Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees

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Independent Examiner's Report
To the Trustees of St. Peter's Stockton on Tees, Parochial Church Council

This report on the Accounts of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2025 which are set out on pages 4 to 12.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

As trustees of the charity, the members of the PCC are 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.

It is my responsibility to

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 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.

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 charity 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 the management committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

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 recordshave 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.

Signed _____

Date

Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees
Statement of Financial Activities
For the Year Ended 31 December 2025

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2025</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2024</u> £
<u>Incoming Resources</u> <u>(Note 2)</u>				
Incoming resources from donors	56,274	183	56,457	63,829
Other voluntary incoming resources	16,565	7,870	24,435	203,342
Income from charitable and ancillary trading	17,315		17,315	21,410
Income from investments	70,878		70,878	2,253
<u>Total Incoming Resources</u>	161,032	8,053	169,085	290,834
<u>Resources Used (Note 3)</u>				
Grants	1,622		1,622	965
Activities directly relating to the work of the church	77,180	9,532	86,712	279,135
Fund raising & publicity	1,731		1,731	1,477
Church management & administration	6,348	2,980	9,328	43,766
<u>Total Resources used</u>	86,881	12,512	99,393	325,343
<u>Net incoming/(outgoing) resources</u>	74,151	(4,459)	69,692	(34,509)
<u>Balances brought forward at 1 January 2025</u>	1,601	22,386	23,987	58,496
<u>Balances carried forward at 31 December 2025</u>	75,752	17,927	93,679	23,987

Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees
Balance Sheet As At 31st December 2025

			<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
	<u>Notes</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	
FIXED ASSETS				
Tangible fixed assets	5	-	16,000	
Organ		<u>30,000</u>	<u>32,200</u>	
			30,000	48,200
CURRENT ASSETS				
Stock		324	513	
Prepayments		2,784	2,559	
Cash at Bank		<u>62,275</u>	<u>33,575</u>	
		<u>65,383</u>	<u>36,647</u>	
LIABILITIES				
Creditors -amounts falling due within one year	9	(1,704)	(6,130)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			<u>63,679</u>	<u>30,517</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			93,679	78,717
Creditors – amounts falling due after one year	10	-	-	(54,730)
TOTAL NET ASSETS			<u><u>93,679</u></u>	<u><u>23,987</u></u>
FUNDS				
Unrestricted			75,752	1,601
Restricted			17,927	22,386
			<u><u>93,679</u></u>	<u><u>23,987</u></u>

Prepared by

Sue Mines
Treasurer to the PCC

Approved by the PCC on _____ and signed on their behalf
by the Chairman, Rev C Abernethy

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Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 31 December 2025

1 Accounting Policies

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2011 together with applicable accounting standards and the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice.

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

Funds

General funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the PCC are also unrestricted.

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

Incoming resources

Voluntary income and capital sources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC. Planned giving receivable under covenant is recognised only when received. Income tax recoverable on covenants and gift aid donations is recognised when the income is received. Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for when received.

Other ordinary income

Rental income from the letting of the church premises is recognised when the rental is received.

Income from investments

Interest is accounted for when received. No provision is made for accrued interest.

Other ordinary incoming resources

Any amounts under this heading are accounted for when received.

Resources Used

Grants

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

Activities directly relating to the work of the church

The diocesan quota is accounted for when paid.

Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees
Notes to the Financial Statements
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1 Accounting Policies (continued)

Fixed Assets

Consecrated land and buildings

Consecrated and beneficed property is excluded from the accounts by section 10(2)(c) of the Charities Act 2011.

No value is placed on moveable church furnishings held by the churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal since the PCC considers this to be inalienable property.

All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or benefice buildings and moveable church furnishings, whether maintenance or improvement, is written off as expenditure in the SOFA and separately disclosed.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

Equipment used within the church premises is depreciated on a straight line basis over its estimated useful life. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £1,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

Investments

Investments are included at historical cost.

Current Assets

Amounts owing to the PCC at the year end in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors.

Cash at bank and in hand includes deposit accounts and short term deposits with CCLA Investment Management Limited on behalf of the CBF Church of England Funds or at the bank.

Reserves

The PCC has agreed to hold the equivalent of three months' general running costs as a reserve. The distribution of surplus reserves is subject to agreement by the PCC during the course of the financial year. It is acknowledged by the PCC that this policy has been breached during the year.

Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees
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For the Year Ended 31 December 2025

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2025</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2024</u> £
2 Incoming Resources				
Incoming resources from donors				
Planned giving	40,850		40,850	43,258
Income tax recovered	10,887	183	0	14,372
Collections	4,537		4,537	6,199
	0	183	0	63,829
Other voluntary incoming resources				
Autumn Fete & fundraising	9,034		9,034	8,093
Donations & bequests	3,829	4,370	8,199	14,057
Tuesday Working Party	1,240		1,240	1,338
Toddler & Friday Praise	314		314	462
Cafe Church	1,898		1,898	1,750
Grants	250	3,500	3,750	177,642
	16,565	7,870	0	203,342
Income from charitable and ancillary trading				
Fees	5,581		5,581	7,428
All Saints rent	4,003		4,003	3,053
Curates house rent	5,610		5,610	5,610
St Peter's rent	513		513	100
Traidcraft	1,288		1,288	1,299
Shepherds Dene	-		-	3,344
Other income	320		320	576
	0		0	21,410
Income from investments				
Interest received	620		620	2,253
Surplus on sale of 55 Kensington Road	70,258		70,258	-
	0		70,878	2,253
Total Incoming Resources	161,032	8,053	169,085	290,834

Notes to the Financial Statements
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	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2025</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2024</u> £
3 Resources Used				
Grants				
Charities	1,622		1,622	965
Activities directly relating to the work of the church				
Diocesan quota	35,000		35,000	44,000
Clergy expenses	125		125	117
Staff wages	6,294		6,294	5,936
Church services & books	1,881		1,881	4,666
Fees	3,555		3,555	5,141
Choir	-		-	-
Youth	-	523	523	685
Sundry expenses	430		430	280
Property expenses	21,295	6,514	27,809	199,179
Traidcraft	1,454		1,454	1,338
Café Church	30		30	59
Catering	117		117	357
Mission	360		360	288
Shepherds Dene	-		-	3,061
ESOL	-	2,495	2,495	6,488
Depreciation	2,200		2,200	2,200
Loan Interest Repayment	4,439		4,439	5,340
	77,180	9,532	86,712	279,135
Fund raising & publicity				
Stewardship	-		-	100
Fundraising	1,731		1,731	1,377
	1,731		1,731	1,477
Church management & administration				
Postage & stationery	754		754	880
Telephone	5,170		5,170	5,170
Bank charges	339		339	341
Professional fees	85	2,980	3,065	37,375
	6,348	2,980	9,328	43,766
Total resources used	86,881	12,512	99,393	325,343

Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees

Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 31 December 2025

4 Staff costs

During the year the PCC employed an organist, a cleaner at All Saints and a Parish Administrator who were paid £6,294 (2024 £5,936); the organist and Parish Administrator are members of the PCC. No other PCC members received any remuneration during the year.

5 Fixed assets for use by the PCC

The curate's house at 55 Kensington Road, Stockton on Tees was included at historical cost. It was sold for the sum of £90,000 during 2025. All Saints Church, Hartburn Village is also an asset of the PCC; however it has not historically been valued in the accounts.

	Curate's House £	Organ £
Cost brought forward	16,000	66,099
Net Sale Proceeds	(86,258)	
Surplus on Sale	70,258	
Cost carried forward	-	66,099
Depreciation brought forward	-	33,899
Charge for year	-	2,200
Depreciation carried forward	-	36,099
Net book value	-	30,000

6 Analysis of Net Assets by Fund

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
Fixed Assets	30,000		30,000
Current Assets	47,456	17,927	65,383
Total Liabilities	(1,704)		(1,704)
	75,752	17,927	93,679

Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 31 December 2025

7 Fund Details

Restricted funds are made up as follows:

	£	£
Way Forward Project	8,075	
ESOL	5,294	
All Saints'	1,000	
Sunday School/Youth	1,558	
Others	2,000	
Total		<u>17,927</u>

8 Reserves

The PCC recognises its obligation to use Reserve Funds in an appropriate manner and has therefore set a Reserves Policy (Note 1)

9 Creditors – amounts falling due within one year

	£
Accruals	<u>1,704</u>
Total	<u>1,704</u>

10 Creditors – amounts falling due after one year

	£
Diocesan loan repayable	<u>0</u>
Total	<u>0</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 31 December 2025

Schedule of Property Expenses for the Year Ended 31 December 2025

	St. Peter's £	All Saints £	55 Ken Rd. £	Vicarage £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
Water Rates	594	301		281	1,176	958
Gas	4,645	861			5,506	4,785
Electricity	3,008	407			3,415	3,593
Insurance	4,211	807	645		5,663	5,434
Maintenance	3,333	200	2,452		5,985	19,863
Capital Project	6,064				6,064	164,546
Total	21,855	2,576	3,097	281	27,809	199,179
2024 Total	183,470	3,482	11,817	310	199,179	

Schedule of Donations to Charity – Year Ended 31 December 2025

	£	
Christmas Collections		
Safe Families	560	
NSPCC	561	
	<u>965</u>	St Peter's Church

Choir Accounts

There are two bank accounts in the name of St Peter's Church Choir which are held and managed by the choirmen, for the benefit of the choir's musical activities.

The current account balance at 31 December 2025 was £2,250.07 (2024 £1,933.82).

The reserve account was set up to receive donations from local Charities and Trusts, to pay for young people to undertake singing engagements both in the United Kingdom and abroad, as part of the choir. The balance at 31 December 2025 was £3,247.48 (2024 £3,205.29).

Parish of Stockton-on-Tees St Peter
Annual Report of the PCC for 2025

Administrative Information

St Peter's Church is situated on Yarm Road, Stockton on Tees. It is part of the Diocese of Durham within the Church of England. The correspondence address is 5 Reeth Road, Hartburn, Stockton on Tees, TS18 5HB

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is registered with the Charity Commission – *The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Stockton-on-Tees St Peter*. The Charity Commission number is 1132812.

PCC members who have served from 1st January 2025 until the date this report was approved are:

<i>Incumbent:</i>	Revd CP Abernethy	
<i>Assistant Curate:</i>	Revd Emily Carling	
<i>Associate Priest:</i>	Revd Daniel Ackerley	
<i>Wardens:</i>	Jane Neal	
	David Lawson	
<i>Representatives on Deanery Synod:</i>	Ruth Hicks	Lay chair
	Jane Neal	
	Linda Harding	
<i>Elected Members:</i>	George Barber	
	Amith Paul	
	Sandra Hauxwell	
	Rebecca Dodd	
	Carol Horsley	
	Sue Mines	
	Michael Short	
	Margaret Roberts	
	Viktor Odoh	
	David Pickup	Until May 2025

Structure, governance and Management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

Officers

<i>Lay Chair:</i>	Ruth Hicks
<i>Secretary:</i>	George Barber
<i>Treasurer:</i>	Sue Mines
<i>Electoral Roll Officer:</i>	Michael Short
<i>Stewardship Officer:</i>	Vacant
<i>Safeguarding Officer:</i>	Ruth Hicks
<i>All Saints Hall Manager:</i>	Carol Horsley
<i>Parish Administrator:</i>	Sue Mines
<i>Director of Music:</i>	George Barber
<i>Sunday School Superintendents- St Peters:</i>	Claudia Ackerley
<i>Toddler Praise Leader:</i>	Sue Barber

Objectives and Activities

St Peter's PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent or churchwardens in vacancy in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish of the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It also has the maintenance responsibilities of All Saints in Hartburn Village, and 55 Kensington Road which was sold in December 2025.

Committees

Several committees meeting between full PCC meetings, support the PCC.

Standing Committee:

This is the only committee required by law. It has power to transact business of the PCC, subject to any decisions made by the PCC. It monitors church finance, properties and PCC agendas.

Way Forward Group:

To co-ordinate ideas and present them to the PCC and congregation on the way forward for this parish.

St Peter's other groups include:

The Tuesday Working Party, Prayer Group, Baptism Team, Toddler Praise, Warm Welcome, Warm Space, Youth group, the church flower teams, the parish breakfast team, servers, the vergers and those who care for laundry and sacristy needs.

Choir:

The worship at St Peters is enriched by the choir including the junior choir.

Achievements and Performance

Church Attendance

There are 113 parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll. The average weekly attendance, counted during October, was over 100 and this number increased at festivals. At Easter, there were over 170 in the congregation and over 750 people attended the various Christmas services.

During 2025 there were 10 baptisms in church, but no weddings. There were also 11 funerals with a further 5 held at the crematorium.

Review of the year & Incumbent's report

The life of the parish continues to be a full and busy one as we seek to respond to God's invitation to love God and to love our neighbour as missional disciples of Jesus Christ. I am deeply grateful for the ministry of Revd Daniel Ackerley as our Associate Priest. I continue to give thanks for the support of my retired colleagues, Revd Phillip Bishop and Revd Graham Benzies, as well our churchwardens, Jane Neal and Dave Lawson. It has been a real blessing to me and the parish for us to be joined by The Revd Emily Carling and her family as we support her through curacy. Thank you for the many ways you have made Emily feel at home and have supported her during her Diaconal year.

As I mentioned in last year's report, one of the real strengths of our parish is the way so many people work together as they serve Christ. However, the pool of those able to offer assistance to maintain our ministry and mission has decreased in these past 12 months. A smaller and smaller group of people are shouldering more and more; this is not sustainable. At the end of 2025, the decision was made to pause Friday Praise - the after school group for young people. This necessary decision was influenced by the lack of those willing to lead the sessions. Do consider and pray where you might be able to put your faith into action by serving on one of our ministry teams.

Like many churches, finances are an area of concern. As reserves continue to be stretched further, there are some significant questions for us as a parish. The quinquennial reports for our two buildings – St Peter's and All Saints' – highlighted a number of issues which require our attention. This is especially true for the building of All Saints' Church. Thank you to those who generously

support the parish financially. We continued with the Year of Thanksgiving with a different monthly event being offered to help raise funds for the parish. These events are continuing in 2026. Many thanks to Jane Neal and Lesley Batty for their organisation and please do support these events by coming along and inviting family and friends. Thanks also to those who worked so hard to organise and help with our summer and Christmas Fayres. Further work will need to be done to improve our financial position.

Following on from conversations at PCC, a faculty granting permission to create a Garden of Remembrance in the rear garden of St Peter's has been received. Works will begin shortly and further information will be shared with the congregation and wider parish. I would also like to acknowledge the significant work carried out by Gareth Neal in looking after the church grounds, along with Glyn John's contribution. The well-maintained church grounds are often commented upon by those passing by.

Reflecting upon the last year, I wanted to highlight just a few specific areas.

Worship

It is a blessing to see the numbers attending our regular Sunday morning worship have not only been maintained but have grown very slightly. The Easter Day Eucharist had almost 170 people worshipping God together as they greeted the Risen Christ with joy. People are seeking out worship which has depth and beauty. I am deeply grateful to George and the choir for the way they help to lead us in worship. I would encourage people to come and conclude their Sundays with the service of Evensong so beautifully sung by the choir.

I wanted to draw your attention to a couple of the findings contained in the 2022 survey of children and youth provision across the whole Diocese. In our Diocese, only 5 churches have 5 or more teenagers regularly in Sunday worship and over 60 churches have no children of any age regularly in Sunday worship. It is a very different story at St Peter's as we are blessed with a significant number of children and youth who regularly attend and participate in our Sunday worship. This is a real strength to be cherished and nurtured further.

Emily and I continue to lead a monthly service of Holy Communion at our local care homes – White House and Park House. This service is appreciated by residents and staff alike. If you would like to join this service, please do speak to one of us.

All Saints

The 9.45am service at All Saints' continues to very well attended with a strong sense of fellowship present. With the addition of Revd Emily to the team, the Friday morning service has included Morning Prayer on some weeks. It has been encouraging to note the return of the very successful Warm Space, run by Stockton Council, being held at All Saints' on Wednesday mornings.

Schools Ministry

We continue to have very strong links with our local schools. We welcomed Bowesfield Primary School for a whole school Harvest Service in October and a Christingle Service in December.

As in past years, Year 3 from Oxbridge Lane Primary school had their Christingle Service at St Peter's and performed a nativity for their families and friends. Revd Emily and a group of volunteers welcomed the Reception class to St Peter's and helped the children learn a little about the church building and the Christian faith.

At Hartburn Primary school, I have regularly led school assemblies on topics such as Advent and Lent for Early Years, KS1 and KS2 children as well as leading a whole school Harvest service. A Christingle service for Year 5 was held at Greens Lane Methodist Church and led jointly by Revd Kundai Katiyo, the new Methodist Minister and me. It is good to have such ecumenical links.

At the beginning of September, I presided and preached at the opening Eucharist, held in St Peter's, for the new school year for the staff of Ian Ramsey school. Revd Emily has strengthened our link with Ian Ramsey school by leading assemblies during the year and leading an after-school group. It is exciting to have the opportunity to support the development of the Christian character of this school.

Across the Deanery

With the installation of the Revd Nicholas Green to Christchurch Parish (St John the Baptist's, Durham Road and St Chad's, Ragworth) in January 2026, I finished my work with St John the Baptist's CE Primary School in December 2025. It has been a real delight to work with the staff and pupils by leading assemblies, taking school Eucharist services, preparing children for Admission to Holy Communion and supporting learning.

Following a review of my commitments, I have now stepped back from presiding at the fortnightly Celtic Communion Service at St Cuthbert's, Redmarshall. It has been good to get know the very dedicated congregation there and worship with them. It was a privilege to lead the 'Remembering loved ones' service on 11th December at St Peter's, Bishopton. I would invite you to continue to hold Stockton Country Parish during this time of vacancy.

Concluding remarks

On a personal note, the past few months have not been easy, and I am deeply grateful for the prayers and support offered by many in the parish. This is the first time I have ever needed to step back from work due to being unwell. It has been a real learning experience and prompted me to very carefully review the commitments I undertake. I have already stepped back from a number of commitments and will continue to keep this under review.

I am deeply thankful for the many faithful and dedicated volunteers who lead and support our mission and ministry. Please do continue to pray for the ongoing mission and ministry of our church and consider where you might wish to offer your time and talents as a volunteer.

With the appointment of The Venerable Rick Simpson, Archdeacon of Auckland to the role of Bishop of Durham, this will be a time of change for the Diocese. Bishop-Elect Rick is encouraging parishes to explore what it means to be fruitful in their own context. This question of what fruitfulness looks like and how it can be encouraged is one I will be inviting us as a parish to reflect upon and explore over the next few months as we listen for God's guidance and inspiration.

Financial Review

Total receipts on ordinary unrestricted funds were £161,032 with a further £8,053 received to restricted funds. This is detailed in the Financial Statements.

£86,881 was spent to provide the Christian Ministry from St Peter's, including the contribution to Parish Share of £35,000, which largely provides the stipends, housing and training for the clergy.

During the year, the property, 55 Kensington Road was sold for the sum of £86,258 and from the proceeds the Diocesan loan was repaid. The amount including interest was £64,169. The net result for the year was an excess of receipts over payments of £74,151 on general funds and on restricted funds there was an excess of payments over receipts of £4,459. The balances carried forward at 31st December for unrestricted funds totalled £75,752 and for restricted funds it is £17,927.

Reserves Policy

It is PCC policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds which equates to approximately 3 months running costs.

It is our policy to invest our funds in with the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund.

Approved by the PCC on _____ and signed on their behalf
by the Chairman, Rev CP Abernethy

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Accounts

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, STOCKTON ON TEES

CHARITY NO: 1132812

ANNUAL REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2024

Incumbent:

Revd Cameron Abernethy

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To the Trustees of St. Peter's Stockton on Tees, Parochial Church Council

This report on the Accounts of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2024 which are set out on pages 4 to 12.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

As trustees of the charity, the members of the PCC are 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.

It is my responsibility to

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 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.

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 charity 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 the management committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

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 recordshave 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.

Signed _____

Date

Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees
Statement of Financial Activities
For the Year Ended 31 December 2024

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2024</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2023</u> £
<u>Incoming Resources</u> <u>(Note 2)</u>				
Incoming resources from donors	62,440	1,389	63,829	58,744
Other voluntary incoming resources	19,689	183,653	203,342	45,368
Income from charitable and ancillary trading	21,410		21,410	16,828
Income from investments	2,253		2,253	1,575
<u>Total Incoming Resources</u>	105,792	185,042	290,834	122,515
<u>Resources Used (Note 3)</u>				
Grants	965		965	828
Activities directly relating to the work of the church	122,621	156,514	279,135	191,570
Fund raising & publicity	1,477		1,477	110
Church management & administration	8,611	35,155	43,766	16,556
<u>Total Resources used</u>	133,674	191,669	325,343	209,064
<u>Net incoming/(outgoing) resources</u>	(27,882)	(6,627)	(34,509)	(86,549)
<u>Balances brought forward at 1 January 2024</u>	29,483	29,013	58,496	145,045
<u>Balances carried forward at 31 December 2024</u>	1,601	22,386	23,987	58,496

Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees
Balance Sheet As At 31st December 2024

			<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	<u>Notes</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	
FIXED ASSETS				
Tangible fixed assets	5	16,000	16,000	
Organ		<u>32,200</u>	<u>34,400</u>	
			48,200	50,400
CURRENT ASSETS				
Stock		513	334	
Prepayments		2,559	2,533	
Cash at Bank		<u>33,575</u>	<u>50,954</u>	
		<u>36,647</u>	<u>53,821</u>	
LIABILITIES				
Creditors -amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>(6,130)</u>	<u>(6,605)</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			<u>30,517</u>	<u>47,216</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			78,717	97,616
Creditors – amounts falling due after one year	10		<u>(54,730)</u>	<u>(39,120)</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS			<u><u>23,987</u></u>	<u><u>58,496</u></u>
FUNDS				
Unrestricted			1,601	29,483
Restricted			22,386	29,013
			<u><u>23,987</u></u>	<u><u>58,496</u></u>

Prepared by

Sue Mines
Treasurer to the PCC

Approved by the PCC on _____ and signed on their behalf
by the Chairman, Rev C Abernethy

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Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 31 December 2024

1 Accounting Policies

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2011 together with applicable accounting standards and the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice.

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

Funds

General funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the PCC are also unrestricted.

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

Incoming resources

Voluntary income and capital sources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC. Planned giving receivable under covenant is recognised only when received. Income tax recoverable on covenants and gift aid donations is recognised when the income is received. Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for when received.

Other ordinary income

Rental income from the letting of the church premises is recognised when the rental is received.

Income from investments

Interest is accounted for when received. No provision is made for accrued interest.

Other ordinary incoming resources

Any amounts under this heading are accounted for when received.

Resources Used

Grants

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

Activities directly relating to the work of the church

The diocesan quota is accounted for when paid.

Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees
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1 Accounting Policies (continued)

Fixed Assets

Consecrated land and buildings

Consecrated and beneficed property is excluded from the accounts by section 10(2)(c) of the Charities Act 2011.

No value is placed on moveable church furnishings held by the churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal since the PCC considers this to be inalienable property.

All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or benefice buildings and moveable church furnishings, whether maintenance or improvement, is written off as expenditure in the SOFA and separately disclosed.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

Equipment used within the church premises is depreciated on a straight line basis over its estimated useful life. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £1,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

Investments

Investments are included at historical cost.

Current Assets

Amounts owing to the PCC at the year end in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors.

Cash at bank and in hand includes deposit accounts and short term deposits with CCLA Investment Management Limited on behalf of the CBF Church of England Funds or at the bank.

Reserves

The PCC has agreed to hold the equivalent of three months' general running costs as a reserve. The distribution of surplus reserves is subject to agreement by the PCC during the course of the financial year. It is acknowledged by the PCC that this policy has been breached during the year.

Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees
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For the Year Ended 31 December 2024

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2024</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2023</u> £
2 Incoming Resources				
Incoming resources from donors				
Planned giving	43,258		43,258	41,272
Income tax recovered	12,983	1,389	14,372	12,950
Collections	6,199		6,199	4,522
	<u>62,440</u>	<u>1,389</u>	<u>63,829</u>	<u>58,744</u>
Other voluntary incoming resources				
Autumn Fete & fundraising	8,093		8,093	5,310
Donations & bequests	7,126	6,931	14,057	15,365
Tuesday Working Party	1,338		1,338	1,055
Toddler & Friday Praise	462		462	739
Cafe Church	1,750		1,750	1,250
Grants	920	176,722	177,642	21,649
	<u>19,689</u>	<u>183,653</u>	<u>203,342</u>	<u>45,368</u>
Income from charitable and ancillary trading				
Fees	7,428		7,428	4,059
All Saints rent	3,053		3,053	5,120
Curates house rent	5,610		5,610	5,270
St Peter's rent	100		100	710
Traidcraft	1,299		1,299	984
Shepherds Dene	3,344		3,344	
Other income	576		576	685
	<u>21,410</u>		<u>21,410</u>	<u>16,828</u>
Income from investments				
Interest received	<u>2,253</u>		<u>2,253</u>	<u>1,575</u>
Total Incoming Resources	<u>105,792</u>	<u>185,042</u>	<u>290,834</u>	<u>122,515</u>

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	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2024</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2023</u> £
3 Resources Used				
Grants				
Charities	965		965	828
Activities directly relating to the work of the church				
Diocesan quota	44,000		44,000	54,000
Clergy expenses	117		117	143
Staff wages	5,936		5,936	6,593
Church services & books	4,666		4,666	2,442
Fees	5,141		5,141	3,616
Choir				1,000
Youth	505	180	685	699
Sundry expenses	280		280	1,371
Property expenses	49,333	149,846	199,179	112,872
Traidcraft	1,338		1,338	1,135
Café Church	59		59	
Catering	357		357	
Mission	288		288	349
Shepherds Dene	3,061		3,061	730
ESOL		6,488	6,488	2,253
Depreciation	2,200		2,200	2,200
Loan Interest Repayment	5,340		5,340	2,167
	122,621	156,514	279,135	191,570
Fund raising & publicity				
Stewardship	100		100	12
Fundraising	1,377		1,377	98
	1,477		1,477	110
Church management & administration				
Postage & stationery	880		880	955
Telephone	5,170		5,170	2,489
Bank charges	341		341	268
Professional fees	2,220	35,155	37,375	12,844
	8,611	35,155	43,766	16,556
Total resources used	133,674	191,669	325,343	209,064

Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees
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4 Staff costs

During the year the PCC employed an organist, a cleaner at All Saints and a Parish Administrator who were paid £5,936 (2023 £6,593); the organist and Parish Administrator are members of the PCC. No other PCC members received any remuneration during the year.

5 Fixed assets for use by the PCC

The curate's house at 55 Kensington Road, Stockton on Tees is included at historical cost. All Saints Church, Hartburn Village is also an asset of the PCC; however it has not historically been valued in the accounts.

	Curate's House £	Organ £
Cost	16,000	66,099
Depreciation at start of year	0	31,699
Charge for year	0	2,200
Depreciation at end of year	0	33,899
Net book value	16,000	32,200

6 Analysis of Net Assets by Fund

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
Fixed Assets	48,200		48,200
Current Assets	14,261	22,386	36,647
Total Liabilities	(60,860)		(60,860)
	1,601	22,386	23,987

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7 Fund Details

Restricted funds are made up as follows:

	£	£
Way Forward Project	13,616	
ESOL	5,690	
Holiday Club	1,507	
Walsingham Youth Pilgrimage	120	
Sunday School/Youth	453	
Others	1,000	
Total		22,386

8 Reserves

The PCC recognises its obligation to use Reserve Funds in an appropriate manner and has therefore set a Reserves Policy (Note 1)

9 Creditors – amounts falling due within one year

	£
Accruals	1,130
Diocesan loan repayable	5,000
Total	6,130

10 Creditors – amounts falling due after one year

	£
Diocesan loan repayable	54,730
Total	54,730

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Schedule of Property Expenses for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

	St. Peter's £	All Saints £	55 Ken Rd. £	Vicarage £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Water Rates	380	268		310	958	914
Gas	3,877	908			4,785	5,410
Electricity	2,964	629			3,593	3,278
Insurance	4,029	781	624		5,434	5,005
Maintenance	7,674	996	11,193		19,863	30,287
Capital Project	164,546				164,546	80,957
Total	183,470	3,582	11,817	310	199,179	125,851
2023 Total	105,796	9,799	10,049	207	125,851	

Schedule of Donations to Charity – Year Ended 31 December 2024

	£
Christmas Collections	
Safe Families	482
NSPCC	483
	965

St Peter's Church Choir Accounts

There are two bank accounts in the name of St Peter's Church Choir which are held and managed by the choirmen, for the benefit of the choir's musical activities.

The current account balance at 31 December 2024 was £1,933.82 (2023 £2,694.38).

The reserve account was set up to receive donations from local Charities and Trusts, to pay for young people to undertake singing engagements both in the United Kingdom and abroad, as part of the choir. During the year the choir donated £1,476.00 from the reserve account towards the purchase of new hymn books. The balance at 31 December 2024 was £3,205.29 (2023 £4,624.67).

Parish of Stockton-on-Tees St Peter

Annual Report of the PCC for 2024

Administrative Information

St Peter's Church is situated on Yarm Road, Stockton on Tees. It is part of the Diocese of Durham within the Church of England. The correspondence address is 5 Reeth Road, Hartburn, Stockton on Tees, TS18 5HB

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is registered with the Charity Commission – *The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Stockton-on-Tees St Peter*. The Charity Commission number is 1132812.

PCC members who have served from 1st January 2024 until the date this report was approved are:

<i>Incumbent:</i>	Revd CP Abernethy	
<i>Associate Priest:</i>	Revd Daniel Ackerley	
<i>Wardens:</i>	Jane Neal	
	David Lawson	
<i>Representatives on Deanery Synod:</i>	Ruth Hicks	Lay chair
	Jane Neal	
	Linda Harding	
<i>Elected Members:</i>	George Barber	
	Amith Paul	
	Sandra Hauxwell	
	Rebecca Dodd	
	Carol Horsley	
	Sue Mines	
	David Pickup	
	Michael Short	
	Margaret Roberts	
	Viktor Odoh	From 19 th May

Structure, governance and Management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

Officers

<i>Lay Chair:</i>	Ruth Hicks
<i>Secretary:</i>	George Barber
<i>Treasurer:</i>	Sue Mines
<i>Electoral Roll Officer:</i>	Michael Short
<i>Stewardship Officer:</i>	Vacant
<i>Safeguarding Officer:</i>	Ruth Hicks
<i>All Saints Hall Manager:</i>	Carol Horsley
<i>Parish Administrator:</i>	Sue Mines
<i>Director of Music:</i>	George Barber
<i>Sunday School Superintendents- St Peters:</i>	Claudia Ackerley

Toddler/Friday Praise Leader:

Sue Barber

Objectives and Activities

St Peter's PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent or churchwardens in vacancy in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish of the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It also has the maintenance responsibilities of All Saints in Hartburn Village and 55 Kensington Road.

Committees

Several committees meeting between full PCC meetings, support the PCC.

Standing Committee:

This is the only committee required by law. It has power to transact business of the PCC, subject to any decisions made by the PCC. It monitors church finance, properties and PCC agendas.

Way Forward Group:

To co-ordinate ideas and present them to the PCC and congregation on the way forward for this parish.

St Peter's other groups include:

The Tuesday Working Party, Prayer Group, Baptism Team, Toddler and Friday Praise and Cafe Church groups, the church flower teams, the parish breakfast team, servers, the vergers and those who care for laundry and sacristy needs.

Choir:

The worship at St Peters is enriched by the choir including the junior choir.

Achievements and Performance

Church Attendance

There are 170 parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll. The average weekly attendance, counted during October, was over 100 and this number increased at festivals. At Easter, there were 150 in the congregation and over 750 people attended the various Christmas services.

During 2024 there were 29 baptisms in church, nut no weddings. There were also 18 funerals with a further 5 held at the crematorium.

Review of the year & Incumbent's report

After my first full year at St Peter's and All Saints', I give thanks to God for all that has been accomplished by so many working together to build God's Kingdom here. I am deeply grateful for the ministry of Revd Daniel Ackerley as our Associate Priest. I continue to give thanks for the support of my retired colleagues, Revd Philip Bishop and Revd Graham Benzie, as well our churchwardens, Jane Neal and Dave Lawson. As the APCM reports show, one of the real strengths of our parish is the way so many people work together as they serve Christ. This commitment and faithfulness is seen across the many different ministries, led and supported by those who kindly give of their time and talents. One of the recurring conversations this year has been the need to recruit more volunteers to our ministry areas. Do consider and pray where you might be able to put your faith into action by serving on one of our ministry teams.

Like many churches, finances are an area of concern. As reserves continue to be stretched further, there are some significant questions for us as a parish. The quinquennial reports for our two buildings – St Peter's and All Saints' – highlighted a number of issues which require our attention. This is especially true for the building of All Saints' Church. Thank you to those who generously support the parish financially. We began a Year of Thanksgiving in 2025 with a different monthly event being offered to help raise funds for the parish. Many thanks to Jane Neal and Lesley Batty for

their organisation and please do support these events by coming along and inviting family and friends. Thanks also to those who worked so hard to organise and help with our summer and Christmas Fayres. Our finances will continue to need attention in the next 12 months.

It has been good to see the new kitchen facilities being used for both church and outside events. The final piece of the Way Forward project continues with the plans for new toilets. The commitment of the Way Forward group is to be commended, with the significant work of applying for grants being undertaken so successfully.

Reflecting upon the last year, I wanted to highlight just a few specific areas.

Worship

The worshipping community at St Peter's has continued to grow, with a marked increase in the number of families. On a Sunday morning, it is usual for a fifth of our congregation to be under eighteen. At both diocesan and national level in the Church of England, it is sadly all too rare for churches to have such a mix of ages. This is a real strength to be cherished and nurtured further. Our worship continues to be blessed by George Barber and the choir, it has been wonderful to see the flourishing of our younger choristers. I am deeply grateful to George and the choir for all they offer to us as we seek to worship God together. Our new hymn book is now well embedded and it has been wonderful to enjoy both new and familiar hymns this past year.

I continue to lead a monthly service of Holy Communion at our local care homes – White House and Park House. This service is appreciated by residents and staff alike. If you would like to join this service, please do speak to me.

All Saints

The 9.45am service at All Saints' continues to very well attended with a strong sense of fellowship present. It has been encouraging to note the very successful Warm Space, run by Stockton Council, being held at All Saints' on Wednesday mornings. After an initial ten-week trail, this has been extended due the popularity of the morning.

Schools Ministry

We continue to have very strong links with our local schools. It was good to be invited into Bowesfield to lead a whole school assembly for Fairtrade Fortnight. We welcomed Bowesfield Primary School for a whole school Harvest Service in October and a Christingle Service in December. Years 1 and 2 came to church for the 'Experience Christmas' event, an interactive re-telling of the Christmas Story.

As in past years, Year 3 from Oxbridge Lane Primary school had their Christingle Service at St Peter's and performed a nativity for their families and friends. It was a real delight to work with Judith Gill to offer an art workshop based upon angels in the Christmas story to Year 3 and 4 classes. The children loved the chance to work with Judith to create angels and these were used to decorate the church for our Christmas services. It was a delight to welcome again Year 6 to Café Church for their Community Learning Project, with the pupils serving refreshments, doing the dishes, tidying the church grounds and talking with the participants. It was a pleasure to be invited into classes to support the RE curriculum and teach lessons on baptism and the doctrine of the Trinity.

At Hartburn Primary school, I have regularly led school assemblies on topics such as Advent and Lent for Early Years, KS1 and KS2 children. For the first time this year, I led a whole school service for Harvest. A Christingle service for Year 5 was held at Greens Lane Methodist Church and led jointly by Rachel Williams, the Methodist Minister and myself.

For the first time, I presided and preached at the opening service, held in St Peter's, for the new school year for the staff of Ian Ramsey school. Following this service, I was invited to meet with the head of the RE department, Natalie Dodd, to explore ways of working together. This resulted in a team of Year 9 and 10 students leading a series of prayer stations related to the Easter story for local primary schools. The students from Ian Ramsey were excellent ambassadors for their school and the children who visited thoroughly enjoyed the activities. I hope to build upon this new link in the year to come.

Discipleship

The Growth Group has gone from strength to strength with people engaging with a real sense of depth and honesty. During Lent 2025, thirty-three different people engaged with the material on Living Hope. I'd like to offer my thanks to Christa Griffiths for hosting and leading the Tuesday afternoon group. It was also a joy to welcome folk from Christchurch parish to some of the Growth Group sessions. Quiet Mornings have been held with folk coming from parishes across the deanery. These mornings have offered a space for quiet prayer and reflection. Prayer resources for use at home have been offered to support people's engagement with the church year across St Peter's, All Saints' and St John's, Elton. People have found these simple resources beneficial and a way to deepen their prayer life.

Across the Deanery

The Revd David Lucas was introduced to the deanery in September following his installation as the Team Rector of the Upper Skerne Parish. Sadly, The Revd Peter Robson, Associate Priest of the Upper Skerne Parish, died in February following a period of ill health. At St John's Egglescliffe, the Revd Nigel Sinclair was recently appointed to the 0.5 post. He is currently a vicar in the Diocese of Leeds and will be installed over the summer, date to be confirmed.

Stockton Country Parish and Christchurch parish remain in vacancy and I support these parishes in the following ways:

Christchurch parish – leading assemblies and school Eucharists at St John's CE School, Ragworth each term. In Lent, I led a Preparation Class for receiving Holy Communion and five children were admitted in April 2025 during the school Easter Eucharist service. I occasionally lead the Tuesday midweek Holy Communion service at St John's.

Stockton Country Parish – I lead a fortnightly Celtic Communion Service at St Cuthbert's, Redmarshall. I led the 'Remembering loved ones at Christmas' service on 12th December at St Peter's, Bishopton as well as the Easter Day Eucharist Service at St Cuthbert's, Redmarshall.

Concluding remarks

As I look to the coming year, I am looking forward to welcoming Emily Carling as Assistant Curate, as well as her husband James and children Posey and Wren. Emily brings a host of talents and experience from her previous roles as she is ordained and I look forward to working with her over these next few years. Supporting a curate is a privilege and one that shall require time and energy from me as I support Emily's formation. Please do pray for Emily and her family as they prepare to move from Darlington over the summer and join us at the end of June. I am deeply thankful for the many faithful and dedicated volunteers who lead and support our mission and ministry. Please do continue to pray for the ongoing mission and ministry of our church and consider where you might wish to offer your time and talents as a volunteer.

Financial Review

Total receipts on ordinary unrestricted funds were £105,792 with a further £185,042 received to restricted funds. This is detailed in the Financial Statements. 55 Kensington Road continues to be let providing a gross income of £6,200.

£133,674 was spent to provide the Christian Ministry from St Peter's, including the contribution to Parish Share of £44,000, which largely provides the stipends, housing and training for the clergy. £185,000 was spent on the works in church for the Way Forward project. The net result for the year was an excess of payments over receipts of £27,822 on general funds and £6,627 on restricted funds. The balances carried forward at 31st December for unrestricted funds totalled £1,601 and for restricted funds it is £22,386.

Reserves Policy

It is PCC policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds which equates to approximately 3 months running costs. It is noted that this policy is breached and has been regularly throughout 2024.

It is our policy to invest our funds in with the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund.

Approved by the PCC on _____ and signed on their behalf
by the Chairman, Rev CP Abernethy

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Accounts

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, STOCKTON ON TEES

CHARITY NO: 1132812

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OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2023

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To the Trustees of St. Peter's Stockton on Tees, Parochial Church Council

This report on the Accounts of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2023 which are set out on pages 4 to 12.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

As trustees of the charity, the members of the PCC are 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.

It is my responsibility to

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 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.

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 charity 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 the management committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

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
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Signed _____

Date

Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees
Statement of Financial Activities
For the Year Ended 31 December 2023

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2023</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2022</u> £
<u>Incoming Resources</u> <u>(Note 2)</u>				
Incoming resources from donors	56,666	2,078	58,744	63,272
Other voluntary incoming resources	12,836	32,532	45,368	149,415
Income from charitable and ancillary trading	16,828		16,828	24,520
Income from investments	1,575		1,575	931
<u>Total Incoming Resources</u>	87,905	34,610	122,515	238,138
<u>Resources Used (Note 3)</u>				
Grants	828		828	1,639
Activities directly relating to the work of the church	166,902	24,668	191,570	237,774
Fund raising & publicity	110		110	1,420
Church management & administration	3,712	12,844	16,556	29,056
<u>Total Resources used</u>	171,552	37,512	209,064	269,889
<u>Net incoming/(outgoing) resources</u>	(83,647)	(2,902)	(86,549)	(31,751)
<u>Balances brought forward at 1 January 2023</u>	113,130	31,915	145,045	176,796
<u>Balances carried forward at 31 December 2023</u>	29,483	29,013	58,496	145,045

Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees
Balance Sheet As At 31st December 2023

		<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
	<u>Notes</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	5	16,000	16,000
Organ		<u>34,400</u>	<u>36,600</u>
		50,400	52,600
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stock		334	414
Prepayments		2,533	2,300
Cash at Bank		50,954	90,476
		<u>53,821</u>	<u>93,190</u>
LIABILITIES			
Creditors -amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>(6,605)</u>	<u>(745)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>47,216</u>	<u>92,445</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		97,616	145,055
Creditors – amounts falling due after one year	10	<u>(39,120)</u>	
TOTAL NET ASSETS		<u>58,496</u>	<u>145,055</u>
FUNDS			
Unrestricted		29,483	113,130
Restricted		29,013	31,915
		<u>58,496</u>	<u>145,045</u>

Prepared by

Sue Mines
Treasurer to the PCC

Approved by the PCC on _____ and signed on their behalf
by the Chairman, Rev C Abernethy

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Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 December 2023

1 Accounting Policies

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2011 together with applicable accounting standards and the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice.

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

Funds

General funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the PCC are also unrestricted.

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

Incoming resources

Voluntary income and capital sources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC. Planned giving receivable under covenant is recognised only when received. Income tax recoverable on covenants and gift aid donations is recognised when the income is received. Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for when received.

Other ordinary income

Rental income from the letting of the church premises is recognised when the rental is received.

Income from investments

Interest is accounted for when received. No provision is made for accrued interest.

Other ordinary incoming resources

Any amounts under this heading are accounted for when received.

Resources Used

Grants

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

Activities directly relating to the work of the church

The diocesan quota is accounted for when paid.

Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 31 December 2023

1 Accounting Policies (continued)

Fixed Assets

Consecrated land and buildings

Consecrated and beneficed property is excluded from the accounts by section 10(2)(c) of the Charities Act 2011.

No value is placed on moveable church furnishings held by the churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal since the PCC considers this to be inalienable property.

All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or benefice buildings and moveable church furnishings, whether maintenance or improvement, is written off as expenditure in the SOFA and separately disclosed.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

Equipment used within the church premises is depreciated on a straight line basis over its estimated useful life. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £1,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

Investments

Investments are included at historical cost.

Current Assets

Amounts owing to the PCC at the year end in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors.

Cash at bank and in hand includes deposit accounts and short term deposits with CCLA Investment Management Limited on behalf of the CBF Church of England Funds or at the bank.

Reserves

The PCC has agreed to hold the equivalent of three months' general running costs as a reserve. The distribution of surplus reserves is subject to agreement by the PCC during the course of the financial year.

Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 31 December 2023

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2023</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2022</u> £
2 Incoming Resources				
Incoming resources from donors				
Planned giving	41,272		41,272	40,204
Income tax recovered	10,872	2,078	12,950	19,874
Collections	4,522		4,522	3,194
	<u>56,666</u>	<u>2,078</u>	<u>58,744</u>	<u>63,272</u>
Other voluntary incoming resources				
Autumn Fete & fundraising	5,310		5,310	6,941
Donations & bequests	3,982	11,383	15,365	21,796
Tuesday Working Party	1,055		1,055	952
Toddler & Friday Praise	739		739	919
Cafe Church	1,250		1,250	550
Grants	500	21,149	21,649	118,257
	<u>12,836</u>	<u>32,532</u>	<u>45,368</u>	<u>149,415</u>
Income from charitable and ancillary trading				
Fees	4,059		4,059	9,780
All Saints rent	5,120		5,120	3,176
Curates house rent	5,270		5,270	5,100
St Peter's rent	710		710	2,348
Traidcraft	984		984	1,263
Shepherds Dene				
Other income	685		685	2,853
	<u>16,828</u>		<u>16,828</u>	<u>24,520</u>
Income from investments				
Interest received	1,575		1,575	931
Total Incoming Resources	<u>87,905</u>	<u>34,610</u>	<u>122,515</u>	<u>238,138</u>

Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 December 2023

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2023</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2022</u> £
3 Resources Used				
Grants				
Charities	828		828	1,639
Activities directly relating to the work of the church				
Diocesan quota	54,000		54,000	75,298
Clergy expenses	143		143	587
Staff wages	6,593		6,593	5,456
Church services & books	2,442		2,442	1,853
Fees	3,616		3,616	5,992
Choir	1,000		1,000	500
Youth	699		699	995
Sundry expenses	1,371		1,371	2,191
Property expenses	90,457	22,415	112,872	137,244
Traidcraft	1,135		1,135	1,459
Café Church				67
Catering				231
Mission	349		349	348
Shepherds Dene	730		730	
ESOL		2,253	2,253	2,448
Holiday Club				905
Depreciation	2,200		2,200	2,200
Loan Interest Repayment	2,167		2,167	
	166,902	24,668	191,570	237,774
Fund raising & publicity				
Stewardship	12		12	
Fundraising	98		98	1,420
	110		110	1,420
Church management & administration				
Postage & stationery	955		955	1,131
Telephone	2,489		2,489	1,578
Bank charges	268		268	243
Professional fees		12,844	12,844	26,104
	3,712	12,844	16,556	29,056
Total resources used	171,552	37,512	209,064	269,889

Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 31 December 2023

4 Staff costs

During the year the PCC employed an organist, a cleaner at All Saints and a Parish Administrator who were paid £6,593 (2022 £5,456); the organist and Parish Administrator are members of the PCC. No other PCC members received any remuneration during the year.

5 Fixed assets for use by the PCC

The curate's house at 55 Kensington Road, Stockton on Tees is included at historical cost. All Saints Church, Hartburn Village is also an asset of the PCC; however it has not historically been valued in the accounts.

	Curate's House £	Organ £
Cost	16,000	66,099
Depreciation at start of year	0	29,499
Charge for year	0	2,200
Depreciation at end of year	0	31,699
Net book value	16,000	34,400

6 Analysis of Net Assets by Fund

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
Fixed Assets	50,400		50,400
Current Assets	24,808	29,013	53,821
Total Liabilities	(45,725)		(45,725)
	29,483	29,013	58,496

Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees
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7 Fund Details

Restricted funds are made up as follows:

	£	£
Way Forward Project	21,026	
ESOL	5,427	
Holiday Club	1,507	
Walsingham Youth Pilgrimage	120	
Sunday School/Youth	633	
All Saints'	300	
Total		29,013

8 Reserves

The PCC recognises its obligation to use Reserve Funds in an appropriate manner and has therefore set a Reserves Policy (Note 1)

9 Creditors – amounts falling due within one year

	£
Accruals	995
Diocesan loan repayable	5,610
Total	6,605

10 Creditors – amounts falling due after one year

	£
Diocesan loan repayable	39,120
Total	39,120

Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees
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Schedule of Property Expenses for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

	St. Peter's £	All Saints £	55 Ken Rd. £	Vicarage £	2023 Total £	2022 Total £
Water Rates	430	277		207	914	555
Gas	3,343	2,067			5,410	3,773
Electricity	2,898	380			3,278	1,760
Insurance	3,676	730	599		5,005	4,678
Maintenance	14,492	6,345	9,450		30,287	9,735
Capital Project	80,957				80,957	116,743
Total	105,796	9,799	10,049	207	125,851	137,244
2022 Total	132,830	2,293	2,024	97	137,244	

Schedule of Donations to Charity – Year Ended 31 December 2023

	£	
Christmas Collections		
Safe Families	414	
Children's Society	414	828
		<u>828</u>

St Peter's Church Choir Accounts

There are two bank accounts in the name of St Peter's Church Choir which are held and managed by the choirmen, for the benefit of the choir's musical activities.

The current account balance at 31 December 2023 was £2,694.38 (2022 £2,964.48).

The reserve account was set up to receive donations from local Charities and Trusts, to pay for young people to undertake singing engagements both in the United Kingdom and abroad, as part of the choir. It has enabled many choristers to take part in the highly successful educational/singing trips to Northern Europe. No monies from this account are ever used for the adult choirmen to travel, they fund their places on the trips from their personal monies. The balance at 31 December 2023 was £4,624.67 (2022 £4,581.06).

Parish of Stockton-on-Tees St Peter

Annual Report of the PCC for 2023

Administrative Information

St Peter's Church is situated on Yarm Road, Stockton on Tees. It is part of the Diocese of Durham within the Church of England. The correspondence address is 5 Reeth Road, Hartburn, Stockton on Tees, TS18 5HB

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is registered with the Charity Commission – *The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Stockton-on-Tees St Peter*. The Charity Commission number is 1132812.

PCC members who have served from 1st January 2023 until the date this report was approved are:

<i>Incumbent:</i>	Revd CP Abernethy	From 3 rd September 2023
<i>Associate Priest:</i>	Revd Daniel Ackerley	
<i>Wardens:</i>	Jane Neal	
	David Lawson	
<i>Representatives on Deanery Synod:</i>	Ruth Hicks	Lay chair
	Elizabeth Stout	Until 5 th July 2023
	Jane Neal	
	Linda Harding	
<i>Elected Members:</i>	George Barber	
	Amith Paul	
	Sandra Hauxwell	
	Rebecca Dodd	
	Carol Horsley	
	Sue Mines	
	David Pickup	
	Michael Short	
	Bakhtyar Rashid	
	Elizabeth Akomolafe	
	Margaret Roberts	

Structure, governance and Management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

Officers

<i>Lay Chair:</i>	Ruth Hicks
<i>Secretary:</i>	George Barber
<i>Treasurer:</i>	Sue Mines
<i>Electoral Roll Officer:</i>	Michael Short
<i>Stewardship Officer:</i>	Vacant
<i>Safeguarding Officer:</i>	Ruth Hicks
<i>All Saints Hall Manager:</i>	Carol Horsley
<i>Parish Administrator:</i>	Sue Mines
<i>Director of Music:</i>	George Barber
<i>Sunday School Superintendents- St Peters:</i>	Claudia Ackerley

Toddler/Friday Praise Leader:

Sue Barber

Objectives and Activities

St Peter's PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent or churchwardens in vacancy in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish of the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It also has the maintenance responsibilities of All Saints in Hartburn Village and 55 Kensington Road.

Committees

Several committees meeting between full PCC meetings, support the PCC.

Standing Committee:

This is the only committee required by law. It has power to transact business of the PCC, subject to any decisions made by the PCC. It monitors church finance, properties and PCC agendas.

Way Forward Group:

To co-ordinate ideas and present them to the PCC and congregation on the way forward for this parish.

St Peter's other groups include:

The Tuesday Working Party, Prayer Group, Baptism Team, Toddler and Friday Praise and Cafe Church groups, the church flower teams, the parish breakfast team, servers, the vergers and those who care for laundry and sacristy needs.

Choir:

The worship at St Peters is enriched by the choir including the junior choir.

Achievements and Performance

Church Attendance

There are 170 parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll. The average weekly attendance, counted during October, was 130 and this number increased at festivals. At Easter, there were 151 in the congregation and over 750 people attended the various Christmas services.

During 2023 there were 22 baptisms in church and 1 wedding. There were also 7 funerals with a further 5 held at the crematorium.

Review of the year & Incumbent's report

It was good to join you all in September and begin our ministry together. I feel very settled here at All Saints' and St Peter's. May I offer a very heartfelt thanks to the retired clergy who assisted Rev Daniel Ackerley and the churchwardens during the vacancy, and those who continue to give so generously of their time and talents. It is very much appreciated. The Ven Ken Good made the decision to step back from active ministry, thanks was offered for all he has given to the parish over the years.

I have been amazed at the dedicated volunteers co-ordinating and serving across a number of different ministries. Our work with young people continues with Sunday School, Toddler Praise, Friday Praise and the Post Confirmation group. The ESOL café continues to serve the needs of our local asylum seekers and refugee. Café Church continues to offer a warm welcome to all on a Thursday, with a real sense of community being built through such generous hospitality.

The work of the Way Forward group continues apace with the installation of the internal glass doors and new kitchen happening in the next few weeks. This will be the culmination of a significant amount of behind the scenes work by the group, ably led by Mike Short. It has been very good to re-establish the monthly care home Communion Services at White House and Park House care homes. The residents clearly value this service, and it offers a chance for me to get to know the residents and the staff.

The church also offered a number of other events over this past year including the annual Advent Fair along with a number of very successful concerts.

Reflecting upon the past few months, I wanted to highlight just a few specific areas of growth.

Worship

It has been good to see attendance at the Sunday morning service at St Peter's continue to grow, with new people joining our worshipping community. It has been a joy for me to officiate at Choral Evensong for the first time, I am indebted to George Barber and the choir for their support. The 9.45am service at All Saints' is well attended and I have very much enjoyed getting to know the congregation. Morning Prayer has been offered on Mondays and Tuesdays at St Peter's with members of the congregation joining me to pray. The Tuesday prayer group has also begun to meet again after TWP.

Schools Ministry

The connection to our local primary schools has been strengthened greatly in the past few months. St Peter's welcomed Bowesfield Primary School for a whole school Harvest Service in October and a Christingle Service in December. Year 1 and Year 2 came to learn about Christian Baptism and asked a number of great questions. These classes returned in December for the 'Experience Christmas' event, an interactive re-telling of the Christmas Story. In March, Year 3 came for 'Experience Easter' to consolidate their learning in school about the Easter Story.

As in past years, Year 3 from Oxbridge Lane Primary school had their Christingle Service at St Peter's and performed a nativity for their families and friends. It was a delight to welcome Year 6 to Café Church for their Community Learning Project, with the pupils serving refreshments, doing the dishes, tidying the church grounds and talking with the participants.

At Hartburn Primary school, I have regularly led school assemblies on topics such as Advent, Lent and Pentecost for Early Years, KS1 and KS2 children. School Christingle services for Year 2 and Year 5 were held at Greens Lane Methodist Church and led jointly by Rachel Williams, the Methodist Minister and myself. This term, I have been invited into all three schools to meet the RE Lead teachers and offer ways the church can support the curriculum further.

A new link with Rosedene Nursery has been established with a small group of children visiting St Peter's on Monday mornings to learn about the Christian faith and explore a bible story together.

Discipleship

It has been very encouraging for a good number of people to engage with the Growth Group sessions offered over the past few months. The sessions have explored the Lord's Prayer, the Book of Isaiah and Advent hymns, the Gospel of Mark and art images during Lent and the Acts of the Apostles. There has been a lot of good discussion during these sessions and the feedback from participants has been very positive.

Quiet Mornings have been held with folk coming from parishes across the deanery. These mornings have offered a space for quiet prayer and reflection.

Prayer resources for use at home have been offered to support people's engagement with the church year across St Peter's, All Saints' and St John's, Elton. People have found these simple resources beneficial and a way to deepen their prayer life.

As I look to the coming year, I am thankful for the newly convened PMC (Partnership for Missional Church) group as we review our current mission and explore how we might better learn from and serve our parish. Please do continue to pray for the ongoing mission and ministry of our church and consider where you might wish to offer your time and talents as a volunteer.

Financial Review

Total receipts on ordinary unrestricted funds were £87,905 with a further £34,610 received to restricted funds. This is detailed in the Financial Statements. 55 Kensington Road continues to be let providing a gross income of £6,200.

£128,107 was spent to provide the Christian Ministry from St Peter's, including the contribution to Parish Share of £54,000, which largely provides the stipends, housing and training for the clergy. £80,957 was spent on the works in church for the Way Forward project. The net result for the year was an excess of payments over receipts of £86,549. The balances carried forward at 31st December for unrestricted funds totalled £29,483 and for restricted funds it is £29,013.

Reserves Policy

It is PCC policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds which equates to approximately 3 months running costs.

It is our policy to invest our funds in with the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund.

Approved by the PCC on _____ and signed on their behalf
by the Chairman, Rev CP Abernethy

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Accounts

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, STOCKTON ON TEES

CHARITY NO: 1132812

ANNUAL REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2022

Incumbent:

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Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees

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Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees

Statement of Financial Activities

For the Year Ended 31 December 2022

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2022</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2021</u> £
<u>Incoming Resources</u> <u>(Note 2)</u>				
Incoming resources from donors	58,557	4,715	63,272	51,444
Other voluntary incoming resources	21,095	128,320	149,415	45,247
Income from charitable and ancillary trading	24,520		24,520	18,753
Income from investments	931		931	53
<u>Total Incoming Resources</u>	105,103	133,035	238,138	115,497
<u>Resources Used (Note 3)</u>				
Grants	1,639		1,639	56
Activities directly relating to the work of the church	116,291	121,483	237,774	106,017
Fund raising & publicity	1,420		1,420	49
Church management & administration	2,952	26,104	29,056	15,819
<u>Total Resources used</u>	122,302	147,587	269,889	121,941
<u>Net incoming/(outgoing) resources</u>	(17,199)	(14,552)	(31,751)	(6,444)
<u>Balances brought forward at 1 January 2022</u>			176,796	183,240
<u>Balances carried forward at 31 December 2022</u>	113,130	31,915	145,045	176,796

Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees

Balance Sheet As At 31st December 2022

		<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
	<u>Notes</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	5	16,000	16,000
Organ		<u>36,600</u>	<u>38,800</u>
		52,600	54,800
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stock		414	372
Prepayments		2,300	2,036
Cash at Bank		90,476	120,424
		<u>93,190</u>	<u>122,832</u>
		145,790	177,632
LIABILITIES – amounts falling due within one year			
Accruals		<u>(745)</u>	<u>(836)</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS		<u><u>145,045</u></u>	<u><u>176,796</u></u>
FUNDS			
Unrestricted		113,130	130,329
Restricted		31,915	46,467
		<u><u>145,045</u></u>	<u><u>176,796</u></u>

Prepared by

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Treasurer to the PCC

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Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees

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For the Year Ended 31 December 2022

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2 Incoming Resources				
Incoming resources from donors				
Planned giving	40,204		40,204	41,555
Income tax recovered	15,159	4,715	19,874	6,570
Collections	3,194		3,194	3,319
	<u>58,557</u>	<u>4,715</u>	<u>63,272</u>	<u>51,444</u>
Other voluntary incoming resources				
Autumn Fete & fundraising	6,941		6,941	3,523
Donations & bequests	3,971	17,825	21,796	25,772
Tuesday Working Party	952		952	362
Toddler Praise	919		919	324
Cafe Church	550		550	
Grants	7,762	110,495	118,257	15,266
	<u>21,095</u>	<u>128,320</u>	<u>149,415</u>	<u>45,247</u>
Income from charitable and ancillary trading				
Fees	9,780		9,780	8,421
All Saints rent	3,176		3,176	384
Curates house rent	5,100		5,100	6,022
St Peter's rent - vestry	2,348		2,348	
Magazine income				69
Traidcraft	1,263		1,263	390
Shepherds Dene				
Walsingham Pilgrimage				250
Walsingham Youth Pilgrimage				
Holiday Club				800
Other income	2,853		2,853	2,417
	<u>24,520</u>		<u>24,520</u>	<u>18,753</u>
Income from investments				
Interest received	931		931	53
Total Incoming Resources	<u>105,103</u>	<u>133,035</u>	<u>238,138</u>	<u>115,497</u>

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3 Resources Used				
Grants				
Charities	1,639		1,639	56
Activities directly relating to the work of the church				
Diocesan quota	75,298		75,298	73,461
Clergy expenses	587		587	2,809
Staff wages	5,456		5,456	1,708
Church services & books	1,853		1,853	2,567
Fees	5,992		5,992	5,208
Choir	500		500	400
Youth	806	189	995	311
Sundry expenses	2,191		2,191	2,005
Property expenses	19,303	117,941	137,244	11,854
Traidcraft	1,459		1,459	460
Café Church	67		67	
Catering	231		231	
Mission	348		348	216
Shepherds Dene				
Walsingham Pilgrimage				
Walsingham Youth Pilgrimage				
ESOL		2,448	2,448	890
Holiday Club		905	905	1,376
Depreciation	2,200		2,200	2,752
	116,291	121,483	237,774	106,017
Fund raising & publicity				
Stewardship				
Fundraising	1,420		1,420	49
	1,420		1,420	49
Church management & administration				
Postage & stationery	1,131		1,131	1,002
Telephone	1,578		1,578	1,385
Bank charges	243		243	172
Professional fees		26,104	26,104	13,260
	2,952	26,104	29,056	15,819
Total resources used	122,302	147,587	269,889	121,941

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4 Staff costs

During the year the PCC employed an organist, a cleaner at All Saints and a Parish Administrator who were paid £5,456 (2021 £1,708); the organist and Parish Administrator are members of the PCC. No other PCC members received any remuneration during the year.

5 Fixed assets for use by the PCC

The curate's house at 55 Kensington Road, Stockton on Tees is included at historical cost. All Saints Church, Hartburn Village is also an asset of the PCC; however it has not historically been valued in the accounts.

	Curate's House £	Organ £
Cost	16,000	66,099
Depreciation at start of year	0	27,299
Charge for year	0	2,200
Depreciation at end of year	0	29,499
Net book value	16,000	36,600

6 Analysis of Net Assets by Fund

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
Fixed Assets	52,600		52,600
Current Assets	61,275	31,915	93,190
Total Liabilities	(745)		(745)
	113,130	31,915	145,045

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7 Fund Details

Restricted funds are made up as follows:

	£	£
Way Forward Project	27,773	
ESOL	1,580	
Holiday Club	1,507	
Walsingham Youth Pilgrimage	120	
Sunday School	633	
All Saints' Decorating	302	
Total		31,915

8 Reserves

The PCC recognises its obligation to use Reserve Funds in an appropriate manner and has therefore set a Reserves Policy (Note 1)

Schedule of Property Expenses for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

	St. Peter's £	All Saints £	55 Ken Rd. £	Vicarage £	Curates House £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Water Rates	247	211		97		555	727
Gas	3,382	391				3,773	3,121
Electricity	1,547	213				1,760	1,201
Insurance	3,462	678	538			4,678	4,433
Maintenance	7,449	800	1,486			9,735	2,372
Capital Project	116,743					116,743	
Total	132,830	2,293	2,024	97		137,244	11,854
 2021 Total	 9,599	 1,088	 733	 306	 128	 11,854	

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Schedule of Donations to Charity – Year Ended 31 December 2022

	£	
Christmas Collections		
Safe Families	430	
Children's Society	430	860
Christian Aid	779	
		1,639

ST PETER'S CHURCH CHOIR ACCOUNTS

There are two bank accounts in the name of St Peter's Church Choir which are held and managed by the choirmen, for the benefit of the choir's musical activities.

The choir bore the cost of the loss of the Bach concert in January 2022, in the sum of £724.37. The current account balance at 31 December 2022 was £2,964.48 (2021 £3,595.43).

The reserve account was set up to receive donations from local Charities and Trusts, to pay for young people to undertake singing engagements both in the United Kingdom and abroad, as part of the choir. It has enabled many choristers to take part in the highly successful educational/singing trips to Northern Europe. No monies from this account are ever used for the adult choirmen to travel, they fund their places on the trips from their personal monies. The balance at 31 December 2022 was £4,631.06 (2021 £4,576.65).

Parish of Stockton-on-Tees St Peter

Annual Report of the PCC for 2022

Administrative Information

St Peter's Church is situated on Yarm Road, Stockton on Tees. It is part of the Diocese of Durham within the Church of England. The correspondence address is 5 Reeth Road, Hartburn, Stockton on Tees, TS18 5HB

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is registered with the Charity Commission – *The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Stockton-on-Tees St Peter*. The Charity Commission number is 1132812.

PCC members who have served from 1st January 2022 until the date this report was approved are:

<i>Incumbent:</i>	Revd WE Braviner	Until 31 st January 2022
<i>Associate Priest:</i>	Revd Daniel Ackerley	
<i>Wardens:</i>	Jane Neal	
	David Lawson	
<i>Representatives on Deanery Synod:</i>	Ruth Hicks	Lay chair
	Elizabeth Stout	Secretary
	Jane Neal	
	Linda Harding	
<i>Elected Members:</i>	George Barber	
	Amith Paul	
	Sandra Hauxwell	
	Rebecca Devine	
	Carol Horsley	
	Sue Mines	
	David Pickup	
	Michael Short	
	Bakhtyar Rashid	
	Elizabeth Akomolafe	From 22 nd May 2022
	Margaret Roberts	

Structure, governance and Management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

Officers

<i>Lay Chair:</i>	Ruth Hicks
<i>Secretary:</i>	George Barber
<i>Treasurer:</i>	Sue Mines
<i>Electoral Roll Officer:</i>	Michael Short
<i>Stewardship Officer:</i>	Vacant
<i>Safeguarding Officer:</i>	Ruth Hicks
<i>All Saints Hall Manager:</i>	Carol Horsley
<i>Parish Administrator:</i>	Sue Mines
<i>Director of Music:</i>	George Barber
<i>Sunday School Superintendents- St Peters:</i>	Claudia Ackerley

Toddler/Friday Praise Leader:

Sue Barber

Objectives and Activities

St Peter's PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent or churchwardens in vacancy in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish of the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It also has the maintenance responsibilities of All Saints in Hartburn Village and 55 Kensington Road.

Committees

Several committees meeting between full PCC meetings, support the PCC.

Standing Committee:

This is the only committee required by law. It has power to transact business of the PCC, subject to any decisions made by the PCC. It monitors church finance, properties and PCC agendas.

Way Forward Group:

To co-ordinate ideas and present them to the PCC and congregation on the way forward for this parish.

St Peter's other groups include:

The Tuesday Working Party, Prayer Group, Baptism Team, Toddler and Friday Praise and Cafe Church groups, the church flower teams, the parish breakfast team, servers, the vergers and those who care for laundry and sacristy needs.

Choir:

The worship at St Peters is enriched by the choir including the junior choir.

Achievements and Performance

Church Attendance

There are 163 parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll. The average weekly attendance, counted during October, was 85 and this number increased at festivals. At Easter, there were 118 in the congregation and over 600 people attended the various Christmas services. During 2022 there were 33 baptisms in church, 6 weddings and 1 blessing of a marriage. There were also 7 funerals with a further 8 held at the crematorium.

Review of the year

We said farewell to Fr Bill and Angela in January as they moved on with Fr Bill becoming Archdeacon of Huddersfield.

All Sunday services have continued throughout the year, held by Rev Daniel Ackerley assisted by numerous retired clergy including Rev Phillip Bishop, Rev Graham Benzies, Ven Ken Good, Rev. Canon Caroline Worsfold.

Weekday services have also continued with lay led morning prayer at St Peter's on a Wednesday morning three times a month and a Eucharist the other week. At All Saint's the Friday morning service has been held weekly.

Our work with young people continued with Sunday School, Toddler Praise and Friday Praise which replaced Messy Church. This has provided regular contact with 30 families who are also supported via WhatsApp groups. This led to 9 children being confirmed and a new junior choir started in the Autumn. Baptisms have taken place almost every week engaging with more families. In recent months a Junior Choir has been formed. Presently they sing at the Sunday Eucharist, and rehearse with the adult members on Friday evenings. We also provided a holiday club during the summer holidays.

We do provide a real welcome for multicultural families and are delighted that people from other backgrounds have joined our PCC, bringing new ideas and ways of working from their different experiences.

The ESOL Café has taken place every Wednesday providing three levels of English Teaching to newly arrived asylum seekers. It has also provided much appreciated advice, information, household goods, clothes, bedding, toiletries, and a hot meal, which is cooked by a rota of members from Syria, Afghanistan, El Salvador, Kurdistan, and Turkey. We usually feed 40 people each week.

We registered Café Church with Stockton Borough Council as a warm space and we open the church every Thursday morning for coffee and cake, which attracts between 15 and 20 people.

Work progressed with the building reordering programme, under the banner of 'The Way Forward' has created a community facing accessible entrance, and work has started on a new clergy vestry. We have also had the garden at St Peter's landscaped and have entered into discussions with the Wildlife Trust about possible community use of the garden.

We have held numerous successful events in the church including an Advent Fair, and afternoon tea for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. We also hosted the King's Men in the summer for a very successful concert.

Financial Review

Total receipts on ordinary unrestricted funds were £105,103 with a further £133,035 received to restricted funds. This is detailed in the Financial Statements. 55 Kensington Road continues to be let providing a gross income of £6,000.

£269,889 was spent to provide the Christian Ministry from the St Peter's, including the contribution to Parish Share of £75,298, which largely provides the stipends, housing and training for the clergy. £117,941 was spent on the works in church for the Wayforward project. The net result for the year was an excess of payments over receipts of £31,751. The balances carried forward at 31st December for unrestricted funds totalled £113,130 and for restricted funds it is £31,915.

Reserves Policy

It is PCC policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds which equates to approximately 4 months running costs.

It is our policy to invest our funds in with the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund.

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Accounts

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, STOCKTON ON TEES

CHARITY NO: 1132812

ANNUAL REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2021

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Rev W E Braviner

Bank:

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Independent Examiner's Report
To the Trustees of St. Peter's Stockton on Tees, Parochial Church Council

This report on the Accounts of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2021 which are set out on pages 4 to 12.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

As trustees of the charity, the members of the PCC are 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.

It is my responsibility to

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 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.

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 charity 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 the management committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

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 recordshave 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.

Signed _____

Date

Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees

Statement of Financial Activities

For the Year Ended 31 December 2021

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<u>Incoming Resources</u> <u>(Note 2)</u>				
Incoming resources from donors	51,444		51,444	55,521
Other voluntary incoming resources	8,861	36,386	45,247	7,676
Income from charitable and ancillary trading	17,953	800	18,753	21,508
Income from investments	53		53	604
<u>Total Incoming Resources</u>	<u>78,311</u>	<u>37,186</u>	<u>115,497</u>	<u>85,309</u>
<u>Resources Used (Note 3)</u>				
Grants	56		56	3,605
Activities directly relating to the work of the church	101,599	4,418	106,017	109,575
Fund raising & publicity	49		49	95
Church management & administration	2,559	13,260	15,819	22,210
<u>Total Resources used</u>	<u>104,263</u>	<u>17,678</u>	<u>121,941</u>	<u>135,485</u>
<u>Net incoming/(outgoing) resources</u>	<u>(25,952)</u>	<u>19,508</u>	<u>(6,444)</u>	<u>(50,176)</u>
<u>Balances brought forward at 1 January 2021</u>	<u>156,281</u>	<u>26,959</u>	<u>183,240</u>	<u>233,416</u>
<u>Balances carried forward at 31 December 2021</u>	<u>130,329</u>	<u>46,467</u>	<u>176,796</u>	<u>183,240</u>

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Balance Sheet As At 31st December 2021

		<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
	<u>Notes</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	5	16,000	16,552
Organ		<u>38,800</u>	<u>41,000</u>
		54,800	57,552
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stock		372	114
Prepayments		2,036	2,219
Cash at Bank		120,424	123,900
		<u>122,832</u>	<u>126,233</u>
		177,632	183,785
LIABILITIES – amounts falling due within one year			
Accruals		<u>(836)</u>	<u>(545)</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS		<u>176,796</u>	<u>183,240</u>
FUNDS			
Unrestricted		130,329	156,281
Restricted		46,467	26,959
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2 Incoming Resources				
Incoming resources from donors				
Planned giving	41,555		41,555	44,957
Income tax recovered	6,570		6,570	7,364
Collections	3,319		3,319	3,200
	<u>51,444</u>		<u>51,444</u>	<u>55,521</u>
Other voluntary incoming resources				
Autumn Fete & fundraising	3,523		3,523	4,177
Donations & bequests	4,652	21,120	25,772	1,432
Tuesday Working Party	362		362	222
Toddler Praise	324		324	95
Cafe Church				250
Grants		15,266	15,266	1,500
	<u>8,861</u>	<u>36,386</u>	<u>45,247</u>	<u>7,676</u>
Income from charitable and ancillary trading				
Fees	8,421		8,421	12,616
All Saints rent	384		384	802
Curates house rent	6,022		6,022	4,093
Magazine income	69		69	869
Traidcraft	390		390	522
Shepherds Dene				1,600
Walsingham Pilgrimage	250		250	
Walsingham Youth Pilgrimage				120
Holiday Club		800	800	600
Other income	2,417		2,417	286
	<u>17,953</u>	<u>800</u>	<u>18,753</u>	<u>21,508</u>
Income from investments				
Interest received	53		53	604
Total Incoming Resources	<u>78,311</u>	<u>37,186</u>	<u>115,497</u>	<u>85,309</u>

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3 Resources Used				
Grants				
Charities	56		56	3,605
Activities directly relating to the work of the church				
Diocesan quota	73,461		73,461	71,669
Clergy expenses	2,809		2,809	2,162
Staff wages	1,708		1,708	2,248
Church services & books	2,567		2,567	2,111
Fees	5,208		5,208	7,987
Choir		400	400	
Youth		311	311	44
Sundry expenses	2,005		2,005	56
Property expenses	10,413	1,441	11,854	13,992
Magazine costs				408
Traidcraft	460		460	632
Mission	216		216	173
Shepherds Dene				2,978
Walsingham Pilgrimage				250
Walsingham Youth Pilgrimage				
ESOL Cafe		890	890	962
Holiday Club		1,376	1,376	991
Messy Church				160
Depreciation	2,752		2,752	2,752
	101,599	4,418	106,017	109,575
Fund raising & publicity				
Stewardship				85
Fundraising	49		49	10
	49		49	95
Church management & administration				
Postage & stationery	1,002		1,002	1,055
Telephone	1,385		1,385	1,137
Bank charges	172		172	218
Professional fees		13,260	13,260	19,800
	2,559	13,260	15,819	22,210
Total resources used	104,263	17,678	121,941	135,485

Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees
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4 Staff costs

During the year the PCC employed an organist, a cleaner at All Saints and a Parish Administrator who were paid £1,708 (2020 £2,248); they are all members of the PCC. No other PCC members received any remuneration during the year.

5 Fixed assets for use by the PCC

The curate's house at 55 Kensington Road, Stockton on Tees is included at historical cost. All Saints Church, Hartburn Village is also an asset of the PCC; however it has not historically been valued in the accounts.

	Curate's House £	Sound System £	Organ £
Cost	16,000	2,760	66,099
Depreciation at start of year	0	2,208	25,099
Charge for year	0	552	2,200
Depreciation at end of year	0	2,760	27,299
Net book value	16,000	0	38,800

6 Analysis of Net Assets by Fund

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
Fixed Assets	54,800		54,800
Current Assets	76,365	46,467	122,832
Total Liabilities	(836)		(836)
	130,329	46,467	176,796

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7 Fund Details

The restricted fund includes £1,203 in a maintenance fund; this contains monies raised for restoration and improvement work on the church. A grant was received from the Diocese of Durham to be used by the Play and Pray group – there is £633 remaining. £3,500 was donated in 2018 by Love Stockton for various projects of which only £2,124 has been spent leaving £1,376. £20,000 was donated specifically for the provision of kitchen facilities at St Peter's. There are funds restricted to the provision of the holiday club amounting to £1,362. A grant of £500 was received in 2020 to be used for work with young people of which £311 has been used leaving £189. £120 was received in 2020 for the Walsingham Youth Pilgrimage and remains unused. Grants have been received for the Wayforward Project totalling £13,466 and fundraising has successfully raised £20,720 specifically for the project.

8 Reserves

The PCC recognises its obligation to use Reserve Funds in an appropriate manner and has therefore set a Reserves Policy (Note 1)

Schedule of Property Expenses for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

	St. Peter's £	All Saints £	55 Ken Rd. £	Vicarage £	Curates House £	2021 Total £	2020 Total £
Water Rates	203	90		306	128	727	1,695
Gas	2,983	138				3,121	3,230
Electricity	1,097	104				1,201	780
Insurance	3,349	672	412			4,433	4,585
Maintenance	1,967	84	321			2,372	3,702
Total	9,599	1,088	733	306	128	11,854	13,992
2020 Total	10,315	1,706	738	207	1,026	13,992	

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Schedule of Donations to Charity – Year Ended 31 December 2021

	£	
Christmas Collections		
Children's Society	56	56
		56

ST PETER'S CHURCH CHOIR ACCOUNTS

There are two bank accounts in the name of St Peter's Church Choir which are held and managed by the choirmen, for the benefit of the choir's musical activities.

The choir received a generous bequest from Mrs Ann Finney. Pieces of Eight closed their bank accounts and donated the sum of £2,691.53 to the choir. The current account balance at 31 December 2021 was £3,595.43 (2020 £793.58).

The reserve account was set up to receive donations from local Charities and Trusts, to pay for young people to undertake singing engagements both in the United Kingdom and abroad, as part of the choir. It has enabled many choristers to take part in the highly successful educational/singing trips to Northern Europe. No monies from this account are ever used for the adult choirmen to travel, they fund their places on the trips from their personal monies. The balance at 31 December 2021 was £4,576.65 (2020 £4,576.21).

Accounts

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, STOCKTON ON TEES

CHARITY NO: 1132812

ANNUAL REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2020

Incumbent:

Rev W E Braviner

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Independent Examiner's Report
To the Trustees of St. Peter's Stockton on Tees, Parochial Church Council

This report on the Accounts of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2020 which are set out on pages 4 to 12.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

As trustees of the charity, the members of the PCC are 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.

It is my responsibility to

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 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.

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 charity 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 the management committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

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.

Signed _____

Date

Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees

Statement of Financial Activities

For the Year Ended 31 December 2020

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2020</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2019</u> £
<u>Incoming Resources</u> <u>(Note 2)</u>				
Incoming resources from donors	55,521		55,521	67,849
Other voluntary incoming resources	6,176	1,500	7,676	23,508
Income from charitable and ancillary trading	20,788	720	21,508	27,963
Income from investments	604		604	1,307
<u>Total Incoming Resources</u>	83,089	2,220	85,309	120,627
<u>Resources Used (Note 3)</u>				
Grants	3,605		3,605	1,379
Activities directly relating to the work of the church	107,141	2,434	109,575	130,804
Fund raising & publicity	95		95	1,508
Church management & administration	21,010	1,200	22,210	19,270
<u>Total Resources used</u>	131,851	3,634	135,485	152,961
<u>Net incoming/(outgoing) resources</u>	(48,762)	(1,414)	(50,176)	(32,334)
<u>Balances brought forward at 1 January 2020</u>	205,043	28,373	233,416	265,750
<u>Balances carried forward at 31 December 2020</u>	156,281	26,959	183,240	233,416

Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees

Balance Sheet As At 31st December 2020

		<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
	<u>Notes</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	5	16,552	17,104
Organ		<u>41,000</u>	<u>43,200</u>
		57,552	60,304
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stock		114	223
Prepayments		2,219	2,773
Cash at Bank		123,900	171,046
		<u>126,233</u>	<u>174,042</u>
		183,785	234,346
LIABILITIES – amounts falling due within one year			
Accruals		<u>(545)</u>	<u>(930)</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS		<u>183,240</u>	<u>233,416</u>
FUNDS			
Unrestricted		156,281	205,043
Restricted		26,959	28,373
		<u>183,240</u>	<u>233,416</u>

Prepared by

Sue Mines
Treasurer to the PCC

Approved by the PCC on 15th March 2021 and signed on their behalf
by the Chairman, Revd W E Braviner

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Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 December 2020

1 Accounting Policies

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2011 together with applicable accounting standards and the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice.

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

Funds

General funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the PCC are also unrestricted.

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

Incoming resources

Voluntary income and capital sources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC. Planned giving receivable under covenant is recognised only when received. Income tax recoverable on covenants and gift aid donations is recognised when the income is received. Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for when received.

Other ordinary income

Rental income from the letting of the church premises is recognised when the rental is received.

Income from investments

Interest is accounted for when received. No provision is made for accrued interest.

Other ordinary incoming resources

Any amounts under this heading are accounted for when received.

Resources Used

Grants

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

Activities directly relating to the work of the church

The diocesan quota is accounted for when paid.

Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees

Notes to the Financial Statements

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1 Accounting Policies (continued)

Fixed Assets

Consecrated land and buildings

Consecrated and beneficed property is excluded from the accounts by section 10(2)(c) of the Charities Act 2011.

No value is placed on moveable church furnishings held by the churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal since the PCC considers this to be inalienable property.

All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or benefice buildings and moveable church furnishings, whether maintenance or improvement, is written off as expenditure in the SOFA and separately disclosed.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

Equipment used within the church premises is depreciated on a straight line basis over its estimated useful life. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £1,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

Investments

Investments are included at historical cost.

Current Assets

Amounts owing to the PCC at the year end in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors.

Cash at bank and in hand includes deposit accounts and short term deposits with CCLA Investment Management Limited on behalf of the CBF Church of England Funds or at the bank.

Reserves

The PCC has agreed to hold the equivalent of four months' general running costs as a reserve. The distribution of surplus reserves is subject to agreement by the PCC during the course of the financial year.

Parochial Church Council of St. Peter's, Stockton on Tees

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 December 2020

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2020</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2019</u> £
2 Incoming Resources				
Incoming resources from donors				
Planned giving	44,957		44,957	45,994
Income tax recovered	7,364		7,364	13,556
Collections	3,200		3,200	8,299
	<u>55,521</u>		<u>55,521</u>	<u>67,849</u>
Other voluntary incoming resources				
Autumn Fete & fundraising	4,177		4,177	9,472
Donations & bequests	1,432		1,432	11,642
Tuesday Working Party	222		222	694
Toddler Praise	95		95	375
Cafe Church	250		250	870
Grants		1,500	1,500	455
	<u>6,176</u>	<u>1,500</u>	<u>7,676</u>	<u>23,508</u>
Income from charitable and ancillary trading				
Fees	12,616		12,616	4,234
All Saints rent	802		802	3,457
Curates house rent	4,093		4,093	5,100
Magazine income	869		869	1,051
Traidcraft	522		522	
Shepherds Dene	1,600		1,600	3,280
Walsingham Pilgrimage				2,159
Walsingham Youth Pilgrimage		120	120	744
Holiday Club		600	600	4,682
Other income	286		286	3,256
	<u>20,788</u>	<u>720</u>	<u>21,508</u>	<u>27,963</u>
Income from investments				
Interest received	604		604	1,307
Total Incoming Resources	<u>83,089</u>	<u>2,220</u>	<u>85,309</u>	<u>120,627</u>

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	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2020</u> £	<u>Total</u> <u>2019</u> £
3 Resources Used				
Grants				
Charities	3,605		3,605	1,379
Activities directly relating to the work of the church				
Diocesan quota	71,669		71,669	68,256
Clergy expenses	2,162		2,162	4,256
Staff wages	2,248		2,248	6,192
Church services & books	2,111		2,111	3,587
Fees	7,987		7,987	
Choir				1,000
Youth	44		44	432
Sundry expenses	56		56	759
Property expenses	13,511	481	13,992	25,375
Magazine costs	408		408	2,517
Traidcraft	632		632	280
Mission	173		173	598
Shepherds Dene	2,978		2,978	3,930
Walsingham Pilgrimage	250		250	2,192
Walsingham Youth Pilgrimage				1,562
ESOL Cafe		962	962	1,757
Holiday Club		991	991	2,053
Messy Church	160		160	854
Depreciation	2,752		2,752	5,204
	107,141	2,434	109,575	130,804
Fund raising & publicity				
Stewardship	85		85	83
Fundraising	10		10	1,425
	95		95	1,508
Church management & administration				
Postage & stationery	1,055		1,055	1,377
Telephone	1,137		1,137	891
Bank charges	218		218	414
Professional fees	18,600	1,200	19,800	16,588
	21,010	1,200	22,210	19,270
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Cost	16,000	2,760	66,099
Depreciation at start of year	0	1,656	22,899
Charge for year	0	552	2,200
Depreciation at end of year	0	2,208	25,099
Net book value	16,000	552	41,000

6 Analysis of Net Assets by Fund

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
Fixed Assets	57,552		57,552
Current Assets	99,274	26,959	126,233
Total Liabilities	(545)		(545)
	156,281	26,959	183,240

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7 Fund Details

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8 Reserves

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Schedule of Property Expenses for the Year Ended 31 December 2020

	St. Peter's £	All Saints £	55 Ken Rd. £	11 Lorne Ct. £	2 Ovrtn Way £	2020 Total £	2019 Total £
Water Rates	186	276		207	1,026	1,695	735
Gas	2,813	417				3,230	5,218
Electricity	581	199				780	1,691
Insurance	3,340	656	589			4,585	4,440
Maintenance	3,395	158	149			3,702	13,291
Total	10,315	1,706	738	207	1,026	13,992	25,375
2019 Total	21,538	2,502	1,026	314	0	25,375	

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Schedule of Donations to Charity – Year Ended 31 December 2020

	£	
Christmas Collections		
NSPCC	26	
Save the Children	26	
Adoption Matters	26	
Children's Society	27	105
A Way Out	500	
Safe Families	500	
Mission to Seafarers	500	
Leprosy Mission	500	
The Moses Project	500	
The Shaw Trust	500	
DePaul UK	500	
Families First	500	4,000
Less Cheque given to Bowesfield School previously and not presented		(500)
		<u>3,605</u>

ST PETER'S CHURCH CHOIR ACCOUNTS

There are two bank accounts in the name of St Peter's Church Choir which are held and managed by the choirmen, for the benefit of the choir's musical activities.

The current account did not receive a donation from the church in the 2020 financial year, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, as the choir did not perform for much of the year. The balance at 31 December 2020 was £793.58 (2019 £1,292.70).

The reserve account was set up to receive donations from local Charities and Trusts, to pay for young people to undertake singing engagements both in the United Kingdom and abroad, as part of the choir. It has enabled many choristers to take part in the highly successful educational/singing trips to Northern Europe. No monies from this account are ever used for the adult choirmen to travel, they fund their places on the trips from their personal monies. The balance at 31 December 2020 was £4,576.21 (2019 £4,572.64).