

S T. L U K E'S  
THURNBYCHURCH.COM

## 2024 Annual Report

## St Luke's Church Life

St Luke's is an evangelical Church of England church family made up of followers of Jesus from all ages based on the eastern edge of Leicester. We have four foundations of **Belonging** – living as the family of Jesus, **Growing** – becoming more like Jesus, **Multiplying** – proclaiming Jesus and planting churches, and **Serving** – living out the love of Jesus.

The biggest changes in the life of St Luke's in 2024 was amongst the clergy team. At the start of August, we said goodbye to Steve, Sarah, and Levi Sweet as Steve moved on from his role as Church Planting Curate responsible for Living Hope to a new post in Bath.

At the end of August, after 6 years as Team Rector and 13 years in the Cornerstone Team we sent Rob Miles to his new role as Patronage Development Officer at our Mission Partner and Church Patron, CPAS and said goodbye to Clare, Hannah, Zoe, and Pippa.

Then, in October, Matthew Creber-Davies finished his role as Pioneer Curate for Netherhall moving with Lynda, Esme, and Martha to a new post in Ely.

This means St Luke's and the Cornerstone Team is in vacancy. Tom Devas has remained as Associate Rector in the Cornerstone Team and has been appointed as Acting Rector for St Luke's and Steve Ransley continues as Team Vicar in the Cornerstone Team leading St Catharine's, Houghton and giving oversight to Living Hope Church, Thurmaston with Yvonne Potterton taking on the role of Associate Lay Minister there.



2024 began with an encouragement from Psalm 27:1 to gaze on the beauty of the Lord and to seek him in the person of Jesus Christ.

As we look to Jesus, we are reminded that even when leadership changes he *"is the same yesterday, today and for ever"* (Hebrews 13:8) and the gospel message about him remains as true and as relevant to our lives and the lives of those around us as ever.

This report is designed to give you a flavour of life at St Luke's during 2024.

<b>Ministry Areas</b>	<b>pages 3-8</b>
<b>Finance &amp; Buildings</b>	<b>pages 8-11</b>
<b>Governance</b>	<b>pages 12-14</b>
<b>Accounts</b>	<b>pages 15-24</b>

## **Ministry Areas**

### ***Worship and Prayer***

Our varied styled services provide alternative ways of enjoying and accessing corporate worship. Acknowledging and affirming a range of worship styles, while remaining faithful to the same gospel message. During 2024 we had teach from the Bible on Baptism and Communion, Exodus, Philippians, John's Gospel, the life of Abraham, Psalms, Colossians, and the women in Jesus' family tree.

In 2024 164 people on the electoral roll (2023 – 149). In addition, there were 22 members of Living Hope Church who are not counted on our electoral roll as the church meets in the Parish of St Michael's and All Angels, Thurmaston.

The usual Sunday attendance at St Luke's in 2024 was 135 (16 years old and over) with 25 (under 16 years old), 13 at St Mary's and at Living Hope. In 2024 there were 4 baptisms in the parish (with an additional 2 baptisms and 2 confirmations in Netherhall but included in our records), 2 weddings, and we were involved in 16 funerals.

In 2024 our service pattern changed to 8.45am and 10.45am each Sunday at St Luke's Church and 4pm every 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month at St Mary's. The 10.45am service at St Luke's is also livestreamed each week.

Weekly prayer meetings every Saturday morning and Monday morning are open to everyone. A prayer meeting before the 10.45am service started in 2024. Prayer ministry is vital at St Luke's and encouraged both individually and collectively in services (with prayer ministry offered a few times each month during the 10.45am service), home groups, and through our confidential prayer chain.

St Luke's and St Mary's are part of the wider Cornerstone Team of Churches which includes St Catharine's Church, Houghton-on-the-Hill and Living Hope Church Plant in the parish of St Michael and All Angels, Thurmaston. During 2024 there was a joint Sunday service and day out together and the leadership and staff teams of these churches have enjoyed closer working relationships. During 2024 we began to explore a potential future partnership with Hope Hamilton Church as part of the Diocesan Minster Community framework.

## ***Children and Families Ministry***

We want to give children and families the chance to hear about Jesus and come to know him and live with him at the centre of their lives.

We run regular children's groups during our 10.45am Sunday service (with an average of 25 in Bubbles, Explorers, and Pathfinders in 2024) and have a monthly altogether service. Emily Devas, our children and families coordinator regularly making pastoral contact with families and households with children in them. This has led to a monthly Monday evening called Refresh to primarily offer discipleship for women with children.

In 2024 we ran an Easter Holiday Club with 73 children attending and two autumn Light Parties. We connected with families with school aged children during our Christmas Community Trail, inviting some of them into the church building for the very first time.

Every term time Tuesday we run Raindrops, our parent and toddler group which continues to see new people join and provides a place of welcome and support each week. We also have close links with St Luke's CofE Primary School leading weekly assemblies. Once a month this takes place at St Luke's Church and the school invite parents for services at harvest, Christmas, and Easter. Lizzie Berry, our Schools and Community Outreach Minister also ran an after-school club, Godly Play lessons, a prayer week, and supported each class to lead Collective Worship for the rest of the school. At Fernvale school Lizzie led a monthly assembly.

## ***Youth Ministry***

Our youth ministry is for anyone in school years 6-13 and offers the opportunity to encounter Jesus and grow in faith and friendship.

In 2024 through the work of Lydia Goodman our youth work coordinator we were able to restart Pathfinders, a group that meets during the 10.45am Sunday service to study the Bible, pray, and play games. Throughout the year this group grew from 3 to 9. Many of these young people have been involved in church life through Serving Sundays, a youth led All together service in May and helping to lead at Holiday Club and The Light Party. In March 2024 we were also able to host a youth weekend away for 12 young people.

Each month there were points of contact for young people with the life of St Luke's – whether Sunday lunches, after school homework and hot chocolate, or games nights. On Friday nights during term time, we run Thurnby Youth Group (TYG) that is open to anyone in school years 6-8 in the local community. In 2024 there were between 20-30 young people each week. Many of these young people were invited to attend the Cornerstone summer camp which had 27 young people engaging with the life of Joseph from Genesis.

## ***Home Groups and Pastoral Care***

Each week there are a range of midweek home groups meeting to share life together, spend time studying and applying the Bible, praying together, and encouraging each other. For those in home groups they are often the first place to go to for pastoral care.

Love in Action continued to provide practical support to members of the church with home visits, meals, and lifts. In addition to this we appointed Rob and Claire Frearson as pastoral care coordinators to make sure no one in the life of the church was overlooked and whether there were particular needs that could be better met.

## ***Seniors Ministry***

Our hope for those more mature in years is that they feel welcomed and valued, have opportunity to come to faith or grow in faith in Jesus, are able to share their faith with others, and can engage in meaningful service.

Throughout 2024 we ran social gatherings and seasonal activities. There were termly Coffee and Cake Drop ins; a day together looking to Lent, a summer afternoon tea in the vicarage garden and a Christmas gathering with Carols and a quiz.

## ***Evangelism***

Lots of what happens in the life of St Luke's is designed to be invitational to those who are not part of church life or not yet a Christian.

After Easter a Christianity Explored course was run in Café Fifty Five and saw between 20-25 people regularly attending. This including members of St Luke's Church, those who had been invited by a friend, and some who came from seeing it advertised.

In November we held a service of Remembering and were able to invite families from recent funerals and others in the local community to express their grief but also hear the hope that Jesus can offer.

## ***Mission Partners***

We have a number of mission partners that we support with a combination of prayer and finance. Locally, we support The Bridge, Leicester, and Leicestershire South Food Bank. Nationally, we support Church Pastoral Aid Society and Scripture Union. Internationally we support Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF) and the Hope & Glory Foundation in Pune, India.

## ***Café Fifty Five***

In March 2024 Café Fifty Five opened its doors with the vision to be place of welcome and community, of help and hope for all. Café Fifty Five seeks to be a really good café where friendship old and new grow, a place for community activities and events to meet the needs of those in our local community, and a space we can use as a church for evening events, evangelistic courses, youth ministry, and other meetings.

During 2024 we have been able to partner with LOROS, Leicester Musical Memory Box, and Zinithya Trust and host other community outreach groups such as Wednesday drop in, digital drop in, toddler story time, and the memory café.

During the year the café hosted a summer fete and BBQ and a Christmas market alongside other events during school holidays. The café has been well received by the local community and has a significant impact on a number of people's lives.

An impact report on the first year of Café Fifty Five is available at:

<https://www.cafefiftyfive.co.uk/s/Impact-Report.pdf>.

## ***St Mary and All Saints, Stoughton***

St Mary's in a chapelry within the parish serving the village of Stoughton. With the changes to clergy provision the twice a month service pattern was changed to a monthly 4pm service on the first Sunday of every month. There is also a home group and prayer meeting that meet monthly between the services.

In the summer four Saturday coffee mornings were held in the church and hosted a concert by musicians from Leicester Grammar School in November.

We are currently praying through what might be the next opportunity St Mary's has as a witness of Jesus in a village that has recently seen new housing being built and as a place of peace on a busy road junction that sees hundreds of people pass by each day.

In March 2024 the governance formally changed from St Mary's having a District Church Council to St Luke's PCC taking full responsibility for the church, finances, and buildings with a representative from St Mary's elected to the PCC.

### ***Living Hope Church, Thurmaston***

Launched in 2022 Living Hope continued to meet each Sunday at 4pm in Church Hill Junior School in Thurmaston and seeks to engage the next generation, connect with other cultures, and create community.

The church has a worshipping community of 22 people and has a growing fringe of people connected to the life of Living Hope – whether coming occasionally on Sunday, being part of the monthly Saturday Build and Breakfast event for dads and children, the summer children's holiday club, or the light party in October.

During 2024 the church planting curate moved and a new appointment of a part time associate lay minister was made with clergy oversight from the vicar of St Catharine's Church, Houghton.

Also, in 2024 there was a church weekend away and in October 2024 Living Hope took on responsibility for Bright Sparks Toddler group.

### ***Minster Community***

During 2024 there were further conversations and developments in our involvement in forming a Minster Community as steered by the Diocese of Leicester Shaped by God Together process.

Following a two-year process of seeking to form the proposed North East Leicester Minster Community it was agreed by all the parishes involved in September 2024 that it was not possible to continue in the current configuration, with the use of Prayers of Love and Faith bringing into focus the different understandings of vision and mission that would make it difficult to work together.

In late 2024 we joined the Area 3 process (City, Suburbs, and Adjacent villages) and were invited to look at a partnership between the Cornerstone Team of Churches and Hope Hamilton with the aim of forming a Minster Community in 2025.

### ***Netherhall***

Since 2020 we supported the work of a pioneer curate in Netherhall. During that time several community events were organized, a community association established and there were beginnings of a worshipping community seen in a service of baptism and confirmation in October 2024. Since the departure of the pioneer curate the parishes in which Netherhall is located took on the responsibility for this ministry.

## ***Safeguarding***

Safeguarding is all that we do to promote a safe culture protecting one another from harm and keeping each other safe. The care and protection of children, young people and vulnerable adults involved in Church activities is the responsibility of the whole Church. Everyone who participates in the life of the Church has a role to play.

In accordance with the Church of England Safeguarding Policy the PCC is committed to:

- Promoting a safer environment and culture.
- Safely recruiting and supporting all those with any responsibility related to children, young people and vulnerable adults within the church.
- Responding promptly to every safeguarding concern or allegation.
- Caring pastorally for victims/survivors of abuse and other affected persons.
- Caring pastorally for those who are the subject of concerns or allegations of abuse and other affected persons.
- Responding to those that may pose a present risk to others.

We have two Parish Safeguarding Officers and an additional Safeguarding Officer at Living Hope. All our volunteers are safely recruited, with relevant training and checks undertaken as required for different roles. Every November there is a Safeguarding Sunday and information about Safeguarding is prominently displayed and regularly updated.

## **Finances and Buildings**

### ***Reserves Policy***

The PCC has a reserves policy of 3 months budgeted running costs, including salaries but excluding Parish Contribution and a further 3 months of salary costs which for 2024 was £63,352. Further reserves have been allocated towards future opportunities.

***Finances*** (Detailed accounts are found on pages 15-22)

**General Fund** (unrestricted) – for the daily income and expenditure for St Luke's Church.

Income in 2024 was £200,379.41 with giving making up £144,906.44 of this. A successful giving campaign mean this figure was £4,000 above what was budgeted and was a 15% increase on 2023. We received £34,566.53 in grants towards our Youth Work Coordinator and Schools and Community Outreach Minister roles. There was a transfer in of £5,000 from Legacy Fund for the kitchenette refurbishment and £9,570 from the National Lottery Fund towards the salary of the Schools and Community Outreach Minister.

Expenditure in 2024 was £247,900.91 with the four big areas of expense are: Ministry costs: £42,368.89; Staffing: £101,183.24; Parish Contribution (which covers clergy stipend, housing, pension): £77,963.00; Buildings: £26,385.78.

This left a deficit of £34,362.54, matching the budgeted deficit but was a reduction on 2023s deficit.

*Notes: The kitchenette refurbishment was quoted to cost £7,000 but cost £13,000 in total. A National Insurance Credit of up to £5,000 for 2024 will show in the accounts for 2025.*

**Discretionary Fund** (restricted) – one off gifts for those in financial hardship, overseen by clergy, a warden, and a PCC member. £1,690.09 worth of one-off gifts were made with donations of £100 added, leaving £2,558.43.

**Legacy Fund** (designated) – legacies left to St Luke's to be used at the PCCs discretion or in line with any wishes given in the bequest. In 2024 a legacy of £2,000 was received and £5,000 was transferred into the General Fund for the kitchenette refurbishment.

**One-Off Giving** (restricted) – for specific donations to a cause or project. In 2024 this fund received £3,342 in income for donations to BACA, Open Doors, and leaving gifts.

**National Lottery Fund** (restricted) – National Lottery Grant Funding for Café Fifty Five. This fund received a grant of £36,109 towards the salary of the Schools and Community Outreach Minister and to cover Café Fifty Five's utilities costs.

*Notes: The payment to Café Fifty Five towards utilities will be shown in next years' accounts.*

**Café Activities Fund** (designated) – finances relating to community activities in Café Fifty Five. Started in 2024 this fund received £3,013.87 of income with £2,231.27 was spent, leaving a surplus of £782.60.

**Netherhall** (designated) – a fund to support pioneering work in Netherhall. Contributions towards the work in Netherhall in 2024 were £256.45 with expenditure of £862.14.

*Notes: With the departure of the Pioneer Curate this fund will no longer be required in 2025.*

**St Mary's & All Saints** (unrestricted) – for the daily income and expenditure for St Mary & All Saints. Income in 2024 was £7,461.33 with expenditure of £9,544.32 leaving a £1,447.37 deficit.

Notes: *Income from the Zouch and Beaumont Stoughton Church Charity for 2024 was received in 2023 and further contributions will be shown in the 2025 accounts. St Mary and All Saints, Stoughton paid £2,000 towards the total Parish Contribution.*

**Living Hope Fund** (designated) – for the daily income and expenditure of Living Hope Church. In 2024 income was £28,149.45 and expenditure was £24,428.03 giving a surplus of £3,721.42.

Notes: *The cost of the Associate Lay Minster was met in full from a grant from the Resourcing Church project during 2024. This continues for 2025 and tapers to 75% funded in 2026, and 50% funded in 2027.*

**Café Fifty Five Fund** (restricted) – to incorporate the accounts of The Hub Community Centre and Café Thurnby Limited trading as Café Fifty Five and is a company wholly owned by the PCC. With the company starting to trade in 2023, the accounts for 2023 and 2024 have been included in the accounts for 2024.

In 2023 the Hub Community Centre and Café Limited made a loss of £159,367. In 2024 made a loss of £222,227. This does not include any construction costs but does include depreciation, legal & professional fees, salary cost prior to opening. The trading loss was around £90,000.

As a start-up business in hospitality, it is common to experience losses in the first 12 months of trading; as trade builds, the establishment's reputation grows, and staffing patterns are revised and improved. A budget for 2025 has been set that aims for break even or a small surplus.

The Hub Community Centre and Café Limited Accounts show fixed assets in 2024 of £898,792. Much of this represents the investment made into the building. Even though we do not own the building the length of lease (125 years) from Harborough District Council means our investment can be accounted for as a fixed asset.

Also shown is £1,326,093 owed to creditors. This creditor is St Luke's PCC and the amount represents the money raised for the building and opening of Café Fifty Five. This is represented in the PCC balance sheet as a restricted non-current asset as the money was given specifically for the café project.

During 2024 there were a number of changes to the board of directors reflecting the change in skill set required from it being a building project to opening and running as a café.

Directors who resigned in 2024: David Chiddick, Andrew Turnbull, Rob Miles, and Rob Frearson. Directors appointed in 2024: Katie Turnbull, Johanna Ransley, and Tom Devas.

## ***St Luke's Church Building & Fabric***

Areas addressed during 2024:

- Some clearing of the churchyard, tidying up the Garden of Remembrance and re setting of edging stones was completed in September.
- Sanding and treating wooden bench in the Garden of Remembrance
- The Kitchenette and toilet's refurbishment and redecoration was completed.
- Quinquennial works still need to be carried out these include as a priority roof repairs to turret stairs (to the bells) and roof repairs to the bell tower.
- Replacement foot board with anti-slip covering to the bell chamber entrance on roof.
- Estimates have been acquired from Weldon Stone for stonework repairs and the wardens along with the buildings committee will decide on the priority work to be done and come to the PCC with a proposal at some point in 2025.
- Cages put in hoppers and roof repairs made. Gutters cleaned.
- Replacement of feeder water tank at the back of the church building.

A list of works is now in place to give priority and action points for areas of work required. A Quinquennial Inspection will be due in 2025.

## ***St Mary and All Saints Building & Fabric***

During 2024 a Buildings Advisory Group was formed for St Mary and All Saints, Stoughton. Areas addressed during 2024:

- A Church yard working party has met to tidy up and assess the work to be done to extend the Garden of Remembrance.
- A Health and safety policy is now in place.
- Following an investigation and report asbestos has been removed from the bell ringing chamber.
- A complete site electrical condition report carried out and reports received with a list of works to be done. The committee will discuss which to prioritise.
- No permissions exist for a Garden of Remembrance (GOR) so as part of the faculty process an architect was commissioned to produce drawings indicating the area for a GOR and how it will be set out.
- There was a water leak from a pipe to the outside tap that was repaired.
- The notice board outside the church was refurbished with a new coat of paint and clearer lettering and includes 3 frames to put church information.
- A professional roof check was completed with gutters and downpipes cleaned.
- Various other maintenance issues were identified and dealt with.

## **Governance**

The PCC shares leadership with the vicar to enable to mission and ministry of St Luke's, Thurnby and St Mary's, Stoughton (with responsibilities for Living Hope Church, a church plant in Thurmaston). The PCC oversees the life of the churches, stewards our building and finances, enables us to meet our responsibilities (as charity trustees, safeguarding, employment), and contributes to the wider life of the Church of England.

In 2024 the PCC employed 7 members of staff (2 full time, 5 part time) and also appoints directors for the Hub Community Centre and Café Limited (Café Fifty Five).

PCC members are appointed as set out in the Church Representation Rules. St Luke's PCC consists of the Acting Rector, Church Wardens, 12 elected members (including one elected representative from St Mary's, Stoughton), and 3 Deanery Synod representatives.

The PCC met eight times in 2024. The Finance and Standing Committee met to transact any business of the PCC as necessary between meetings.

The PCC received regular reports on ministry areas in the life of St Luke's including seniors, youthwork, children and families, and Sunday services. The life of Living Hope Church, Thurmaston and Café Fifty Five were regularly discussed and prayed for.

In February 2024 the PCC adopted the CEEC basis of faith including the two additional declarations, with these being consistent with the beliefs and teachings at St Luke's over many years. This was in response to the development of Prayers for Love and Faith by the Church of England.

Throughout the year the PCC responded to the proposed North East Leicester Minster Community (NELMC). This included offering an alternative Minster Community Proposal developed with the PCC of St Catharine's Church, Houghton. All the parishes involved with the NELMC decided that there was too much difference in vision and mission for a Minster Community to be viable. Through this process a potential partnership with Hope Hamilton developed.

In May 2024 our Safeguarding Policy was reviewed and updated. The policy is in line with the Church of England's Promoting a Safer Church Safeguarding Policy Statement. Information about safeguarding in the life of our churches is available on our websites and on posters in all buildings. We continue to highlight the importance of safeguarding with two simple principles – "people matter" and "speak up".

Full minutes of the meetings of the PCC are available on request.

## **Administrative Information**

St Luke's Church, Thurnby and St Mary's and All Saints Church, Stoughton form the Parish of Thurnby cum Stoughton in the Diocese of Leicester within the Church of England.

The correspondence address is St Luke's Church, Main Street, Thurnby, Leicester, LE7 9PN.

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Luke's, Thurnby, Leicester is a registered charity with the Charity Number 1133016.

The membership of the PCC during 2024 was:

### *Ex Officio members*

*Team Rector:* The Reverend Rob Miles (chair) (until 25<sup>th</sup> August 2024)

*Associate Rector:* The Reverend Tom Devas (chair from 20<sup>th</sup> November 2024)

*Wardens:* Dick Koelling (vice chair)  
Julie Tregoning

### *Elected Members:*

Ann Hollingworth (St Mary's Representative) (elected 20<sup>th</sup> May 2024)

Anne Sawford (Treasurer) (elected 20<sup>th</sup> May 2024)

Andy Turnbull

Brian Green

Freya Bevins

Judith Heatley (until 20<sup>th</sup> May 2024)

Kate Lount

Melissa Woodhead (elected 20<sup>th</sup> May 2024)

Rob Bevins

Rob Heatley

Tim Heatley (elected 20<sup>th</sup> May 2024)

*Vacancy*

*Vacancy*

### *Deanery Synod:*

Liz Smith

Chris Goodman

Russ Bentley

## Gartree Deanery Synod Report

Synod met three times in 2024. Each meeting opens with a prayer and a hymn and receives regular reports from the Bishop's Council, Diocesan Synod, Board of Education, General Synod, Joint Archdeaconry Mission Committee and the Diocesan Board of Finance.

In **January** the deanery welcomed Dan Gower from Open Doors a Christian charity founded by Brother Andrew that serves the persecuted church.

During the **June** there was a presentation by Leicester Street Pastors part of an international body run by the Ascension Trust who equip and enable volunteers to serve the nighttime economy.

The **October** meeting started with the sharing of good news of God at work in the parishes making up the deanery. This was followed by a presentation on diocesan Finances by Simon Wilson. The current diocesan deficit for 2024 is £2.2 million (down from £2.7 million in 2023 and a planned deficit of £1.5 million for 2025).

The majority of income to the diocese is through parish contributions, which over recent years have not kept pace with inflation and reflects fewer people attending Church of England churches in the Diocese of Leicester. Investment income broadly covers central costs, and funding has been accessed for Lower Income Communities and specific projects.

To lower expenditure central diocesan posts have been reduced (or are funded by national grants) and the number of stipendiary clergy has been reduced through vacancies not being filled and the implementation of Minister Communities.

Full minutes of the meetings of the Deanery Synod are available on request.

# St Luke's Church Thurnby Accounts 2024

## Income- General Fund

Category Group	Fund	Actual Income	Total Budget	Budget Received
Children and Families	General	£ 3,384.54	£ 3,950.00	86%
Events	General	£ 672.77	£ 3,000.00	22%
Giving	General	£ 144,906.44	£ 140,650.00	103%
Ministry	General	£ 386.00	£ 138.36	279%
Other Income	General	£ 4,313.38	£ 8,500.00	51%
Resourcing Church	General	£ 34,566.53	£ 23,000.00	150%
Seniors	General	£ 475.00	£ 1,400.00	34%
Services	General	£ 197.70	£ 240.00	82%
Weddings and Funeral Fees	General	£ 6,060.00	£ 5,500.00	110%
Youth Ministry	General	£ 5,417.05	£ 8,000.00	68%
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>£ 200,379.41</b>	<b>£ 194,378.36</b>	<b>103%</b>

## Expenditure-General Fund

Category Group	Fund	Actual Expenditu	Total Budget	Budget Spent
Administration	General	£ 7,898.14	£ 6,411.00	123%
Children & Families Ministry	General	£ 7,173.87	£ 7,750.00	93%
Church Building	General	£ 26,385.78	£ 19,310.00	137%
Clergy and Staff Costs	General	£ 101,183.24	£ 94,036.03	108%
Events	General	£ 435.32	£ 700.00	62%
Fixed Assets Depreciation	General	£ 870.02	£ -	n/a
Ministry	General	£ 731.58	£ 638.36	115%
Missions	General	£ 6,600.00	£ 6,600.00	100%
Parish Contribution	General	£ 77,963.00	£ 77,963.00	100%
Publicity and Communications	General	£ 1,551.80	£ 1,850.00	84%
Resourcing Church Costs	General	£ 1,022.65	£ -	n/a
Seniors	General	£ 603.74	£ 1,500.00	40%
Upkeep of Services	General	£ 3,377.07	£ 1,310.00	258%
Weddings and Funerals	General	£ 3,720.36	£ 2,000.00	186%
Youth Ministry	General	£ 8,384.34	£ 8,555.00	98%
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>£ 247,900.91</b>	<b>£ 228,623.39</b>	<b>108%</b>

## General Fund Summary Totals

<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>£ 107,211.88</b>
Income	General	£ 200,379.41
Expenditure	General	£ 247,900.91
Balance	General	-£ 47,521.50
Fund Transfers	General	£ 13,158.96
<b>Deficit (Balance + fund transfers)</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>-£ 34,362.54</b>
<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>£ 72,849.34</b>

IN £14,570-OUT £1,411.04

### Income & Expenditure- Discretionary Fund

Category Group	Fund	Actual Income	Total Budget	Budget Received
Income/donations	Discretionary	£ 100.00	0	n/a
Expenditure/payouts	Discretionary	£ 1,690.09	0	n/a
<b>Total</b>	<b>Discretionary</b>	<b>-£ 1,590.09</b>		

### Discretionary Fund Summary Totals

<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>Discretionary</b>	<b>£ 4,148.52</b>
Income	Discretionary	£ 100.00
Expenditure	Discretionary	£ 1,690.09
Balance	Discretionary	-£ 1,590.09
Fund Transfers	Discretionary	£ -
<b>Deficit (Balance + fund transfers)</b>	<b>Discretionary</b>	<b>-£ 1,590.09</b>
<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>Discretionary</b>	<b>£ 2,558.43</b>

### Income - Legacy Fund

Category Group	Fund	Actual Income	Total Budget	Budget Received
Income/donations	Legacy	£ 2,000.00	0	n/a
<b>Total</b>	<b>Legacy</b>	<b>£ 2,000.00</b>		

### Legacy Fund Summary Totals

<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>Legacy</b>	<b>£ 37,120.00</b>	<i>Church Kitchenette</i>
Income	Legacy	£ 2,000.00	
Balance	Legacy	£ 2,000.00	
Fund Transfers	Legacy	£ 5,000.00	
<b>Deficit (Balance + fund transfers)</b>	<b>Legacy</b>	<b>-£ 3,000.00</b>	
<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>Legacy</b>	<b>£ 34,120.00</b>	

### Income & Expenditure- One-Off Giving Fund

Category Group	Fund	Actual Income	Total Budget	Budget Received
Collection/Donation Income	One-Off	£ 3,342.89	0	n/a
Payout/ Expenditure	One-Off	£ 3,503.70	0	n/a
<b>Total</b>	<b>One-Off</b>	<b>-£ 160.81</b>		

### One-Off Giving Fund Summary Totals

<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>One-off</b>	<b>-£ 525.51</b>	<i>From General to zero the fund</i>
Income	One-off	£ 3,342.89	
Expenditure	One-off	£ 3,503.70	
Balance	One-off	-£ 160.81	
Fund Transfers	One-off	£ 686.32	
<b>Deficit (Balance + fund transfers)</b>	<b>One-off</b>	<b>£ 525.51</b>	
<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>One-off</b>	<b>£ -</b>	

### Income - National Lottery Fund

Category Group	Fund	Actual Income	Total Budget	Budget Received
Grant Income	Nat Lot	£ 36,109.00	0	n/a
<b>Total</b>	<b>Nat Lot</b>	<b>£ 36,109.00</b>		

### National Lottery Fund Summary Totals

<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>Nat Lot</b>	<b>£ -</b>
Income	Nat Lot	£ 36,109.00
Balance	Nat Lot	£ 36,109.00
Fund Transfer	Nat Lot	£ 9,570.00
<b>Surplus (Balance + fund transfers)</b>	<b>Nat Lot</b>	<b>£ 26,539.00</b>
<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>Nat Lot</b>	<b>£ 26,539.00</b>

*Schools & Community Outreach Minister*

### Income- Café Activities Fund

Category Group	Fund	Actual Income	Total Budget	Budget Received
One-off Event	Café Activity	£ 2,522.96	0	n/a
Regular	Café Activity	£ 490.91	0	n/a
<b>Total</b>	<b>Café Activity</b>	<b>£ 3,013.87</b>		

### Expenditure- Café Activities Fund

Category Group	Fund	Actual Income	Total Budget	Budget Received
Admin	Café Activity	£ 399.32	0	n/a
One off costs	Café Activity	£ 430.82	0	n/a
Regular	Café Activity	£ 1,401.13	0	n/a
<b>Total</b>	<b>Café Activity</b>	<b>£ 2,231.27</b>		

### Café Activities Fund Summary Totals

<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>Café Activity</b>	<b>£ -</b>
Income	Café Activity	£ 3,013.87
Expenditure	Café Activity	£ 2,231.27
Balance	Café Activity	£ 782.60
Fund Transfers	Café Activity	£ -
<b>Deficit (Balance + fund transfers)</b>	<b>Café Activity</b>	<b>£ 782.60</b>
<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>Café Activity</b>	<b>£ 782.60</b>

### Income & Expenditure- Netherhall

Category Group	Fund	Actual Income	Total Budget	Budget Received
Income	Netherhall	£ 256.45	0	n/a
Expenditure	Netherhall	£ 862.14	0	n/a
<b>Total</b>	<b>Netherhall</b>	<b>-£ 605.69</b>		

### Netherhall Fund Summary Totals

<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>Netherhall</b>	<b>-£ 119.03</b>
Income	Netherhall	£ 256.45
Expenditure	Netherhall	£ 862.14
Balance	Netherhall	-£ 605.69
Fund Transfers	Netherhall	£ 724.72
<b>Surplus (Balance + fund transfers)</b>	<b>Netherhall</b>	<b>£ 119.03</b>
<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>Netherhall</b>	<b>£ -</b>

*From General to zero the fund*

### Income- Living Hope Church Plant Fund

Category Group	Fund	Actual Income	Total Budget	Budget Received
Children & Families	Living Hope	£ 22.00	£ -	n/a
Events	Living Hope	£ 1,549.57	£ -	n/a
Giving	Living Hope	£ 9,046.30	£ 10,110.00	89%
One off gifts	Living Hope	£ 175.00	£ -	n/a
Resourcing Church	Living Hope	£ 17,356.58	£ 48,000.00	36%
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>Living Hope</b>	<b>£ 28,149.45</b>	<b>£ 58,110.00</b>	

### Expenditure- Living Hope Fund

Category Group	Fund	Actual Expenditu	Total Budget	Budget Spent
Admin and Licences	Living Hope	£ 696.77	£ 1,750.00	40%
Capital Equipment	Living Hope	£ 669.85	£ 5,000.00	13%
Children & Families	Living Hope	£ 156.23	£ 1,650.00	9%
Community Evangelism	Living Hope	£ 181.41	£ -	n/a
Events	Living Hope	£ 3,473.64	£ -	n/a
Marketing: Publicity & Communications	Living Hope	£ 415.40	£ 2,170.00	19%
Missions & Parish Contributions	Living Hope	£ 1,059.96	£ 562.00	189%
One off gifts	Living Hope	£ -	£ -	n/a
Services	Living Hope	£ 3,460.34	£ 1,915.00	181%
Staff	Living Hope	£ 14,314.43	£ 7,296.00	196%
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>Living Hope</b>	<b>£ 24,428.03</b>	<b>£ 20,343.00</b>	

### Living Hope Church Plant Summary Totals

<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>Living Hope</b>	<b>£ 11,226.06</b>
Income	Living Hope	£ 28,149.45
Expenditure	Living Hope	£ 24,428.03
Balance	Living Hope	£ 3,721.42
Fund Transfers	Living Hope	£ -
<b>Surplus (Balance + fund transfers)</b>	<b>Living Hope</b>	<b>£ 3,721.42</b>
<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>Living Hope</b>	<b>£ 14,947.48</b>

**NOTE: Stoughton Church has a separate Bank account but appears as a Fund in St Luke's Church account**

**Income- Stoughton Church Fund**

<b>Category Group</b>	<b>Fund</b>	<b>Actual Income</b>	<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>Budget Received</b>
Charity funds	Stoughton	£ -	£ -	n/a
Generating activities	Stoughton	£ -	£ -	n/a
Other Church activities	Stoughton	£ 916.00	£ -	n/a
Other Voluntary receipts	Stoughton	£ 353.28	£ -	n/a
Voluntary receipts	Stoughton	£ 6,192.05	£ -	n/a
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>Stoughton</b>	<b>£ 7,461.33</b>		

**Expenditure- Stoughton Church Fund**

<b>Category Group</b>	<b>Fund</b>	<b>Actual Expenditure</b>	<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>Budget Spent</b>
Church Fabric & Services	Stoughton	£ 5,483.55	£ -	n/a
Church Maintenance	Stoughton	£ 2,060.77	£ -	n/a
Church Wall	Stoughton	£ -	£ -	n/a
Churchyard Maintenance	Stoughton	£ -	£ -	n/a
Payment to the Diocese	Stoughton	£ 2,000.00	£ -	n/a
Personal Services	Stoughton	£ -	£ -	n/a
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>Stoughton</b>	<b>£ 9,544.32</b>		

**Stoughton Church Summary Totals**

<b>Opening Balance</b>	<b>Stoughton</b>	<b>£ 24,857.67</b>
Income	Stoughton	£ 7,461.33
Expenditure	Stoughton	£ 9,544.32
Balance	Stoughton	-£ 2,082.99
Fund Transfers	Stoughton	£ 635.62
<b>Deficit (Balance + fund transfers)</b>	<b>Stoughton</b>	<b>-£ 1,447.37</b>
<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>Stoughton</b>	<b>£ 23,410.30</b>

**NOTE: Café Fifty Five has a separate Bank account but appears as a Fund in St Luke's Church accounts**

**Income 2023- Café Fifty Five**

<b>Category Group</b>	<b>Fund</b>	<b>Actual Income</b>
Sales	Café	£ -
Operating income	Café	£ -
Interest	Café	£ -
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>£ -</b>

**Expenditure 2023- Café Fifty Five**

<b>Category Group</b>	<b>Fund</b>	<b>Actual Expenditure</b>
Consultant & Professional fees	Café	£ 136,826.00
Set up costs	Café	£ 3,980.00
Depreciation	Café	£ 18,561.00
	Café	
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>£ 159,367.00</b>

**Café Fifty Five 2023 Summary Totals**

Income	General	£ -
Expenditure	General	£ 159,367.00
Balance	General	-£ 159,367.00
Fund Transfers	General	£ -
<b>Deficit (Balance + fund transfers)</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>-£ 159,367.00</b>

**Balance Sheet Café Fifty Five**

**2023**

Fixed Assets	£643,515
Current Assets	£154,852
Prepayments and accrued income	
Creditors: Amount falling due in 1 year	(£957,084)
Net current liabilities	(£802,232)
Total Assets less current liabilities	(£158,717)
Accruals and deferred income	(£650)
	(£159,367)
Reserves	(£159,367)

### Income 2024- Café Fifty Five

Category Group	Fund	Actual Income
Sales	Café	£ 246,710.00
Operating income	Café	£ 3,718.00
Interest	Café	£ 17.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>£ 250,445.00</b>

### Expenditure 2024-Café Fifty Five

Category Group	Fund	Actual Expenditure
Cost of Sales -Sub contracts	Café	£ 33,359.00
Cost of Sales- Direct Costs	Café	£ 116,687.00
Running Costs- including salaries	Café	£ 248,142.00
Depreciation	Café	£ 74,484.00
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>£ 472,672.00</b>

### Café Fifty Five 2024 Summary Totals

Income	General	£ 250,445.00
Expenditure	General	£ 472,672.00
Balance	General	-£ 222,227.00
Fund Transfers	General	£ -
<b>Deficit (Balance + fund transfers)</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>-£ 222,227.00</b>

### Balance Sheet Café Fifty Five

	<b>2024</b>
Fixed Assets	£898,792
Current Assets	£47,464
Prepayments and accrued income	£243
Creditors: Amount falling due in 1 year	(£1,326,093)
Net current liabilities	(£1,278,386)
Total Assets less current liabilities	(£379,594)
Accruals and deferred income	(£2,000)
	(£381,594)
Reserves	(£381,594)

## Balance of ALL Funds

	Unrestricted		Restricted	Total		Prior Year
Current Assets	£	151,115.79	£	29,097.43	£	180,213.22
Non-Current Assets	£	1,107.76	£	1,278,386.00	£	1,279,493.76
Current Liabilities	£	6,113.83	£	-	£	6,113.83
Non-Current Liabilities	£	-	£	-	£	-
Net Current Assets	£	145,001.96	£	29,097.43	£	174,099.39
<b>Total Net Assets (Assets Minus Liabilities)</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>146,109.72</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>1,307,483.43</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>1,453,593.15</b>
						<b>1,218,392.61</b>

(\*1\*)

Represented By

General (Unrestricted)	£	72,849.34		£	72,849.34	£	107,211.88
Discretionary Fund (Restricted)			£	2,558.43	£	2,558.43	£
Legacy (Designated)	£	34,120.00			£	34,120.00	£
Netherhall Community (Designated)	£	-			£	-	£
Stoughton Church Repairs (Restricted)			£	-	£	-	£
Stoughton church DCC (Unrestricted)	£	23,410.30			£	23,410.30	£
Living Hope Church Plant (Designated)	£	14,947.48			£	14,947.48	£
One Off Giving (Restricted)			£	-	£	-	£
National Lottery (Restricted)			£	26,539.00	£	26,539.00	£
Cafe Activities (Designated)	£	782.60			£	782.60	£
The Hub Community Centre and Café Ltd			£	1,278,386.00	£	1,278,386.00	£
	£	146,109.72	£	1,307,483.43	£	1,453,593.15	£
							<b>1,218,392.61</b>

(\*2\*)

(\*1\*)- Fixed Asset & The Hub Community Centre and Café Ltd

(\*2\*)- This figure is from 2023 £1,033,837.40 and is made up of £231,605.40 which showed in the church The Hub Community Centre and Cafe fund and £802,232.00 could be classed as the 'loan' and appears in the cafe accounts for 2023 as its net current liabilities.



# CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Independent examiner's report on the accounts

### Section A

### Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL  
PARISH OF ST LUKE, THURNBY, LEICESTER

On accounts for the year  
ended

31<sup>st</sup> December 2024

Charity no  
(if any)

1133016

Set out on pages

Pages 15-22

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above  
charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2024

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation  
of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act  
2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out  
under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I  
have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission  
under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent  
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have  
come to my attention (other than that disclosed below \*) in connection with  
the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material  
respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of  
the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection  
with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a  
proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date:

26/04/2025

Name:

JOHN STEPTOE

Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):

INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL ADVISER -  
DIPLOMA IN REGULATED FINANCIAL PLANNING

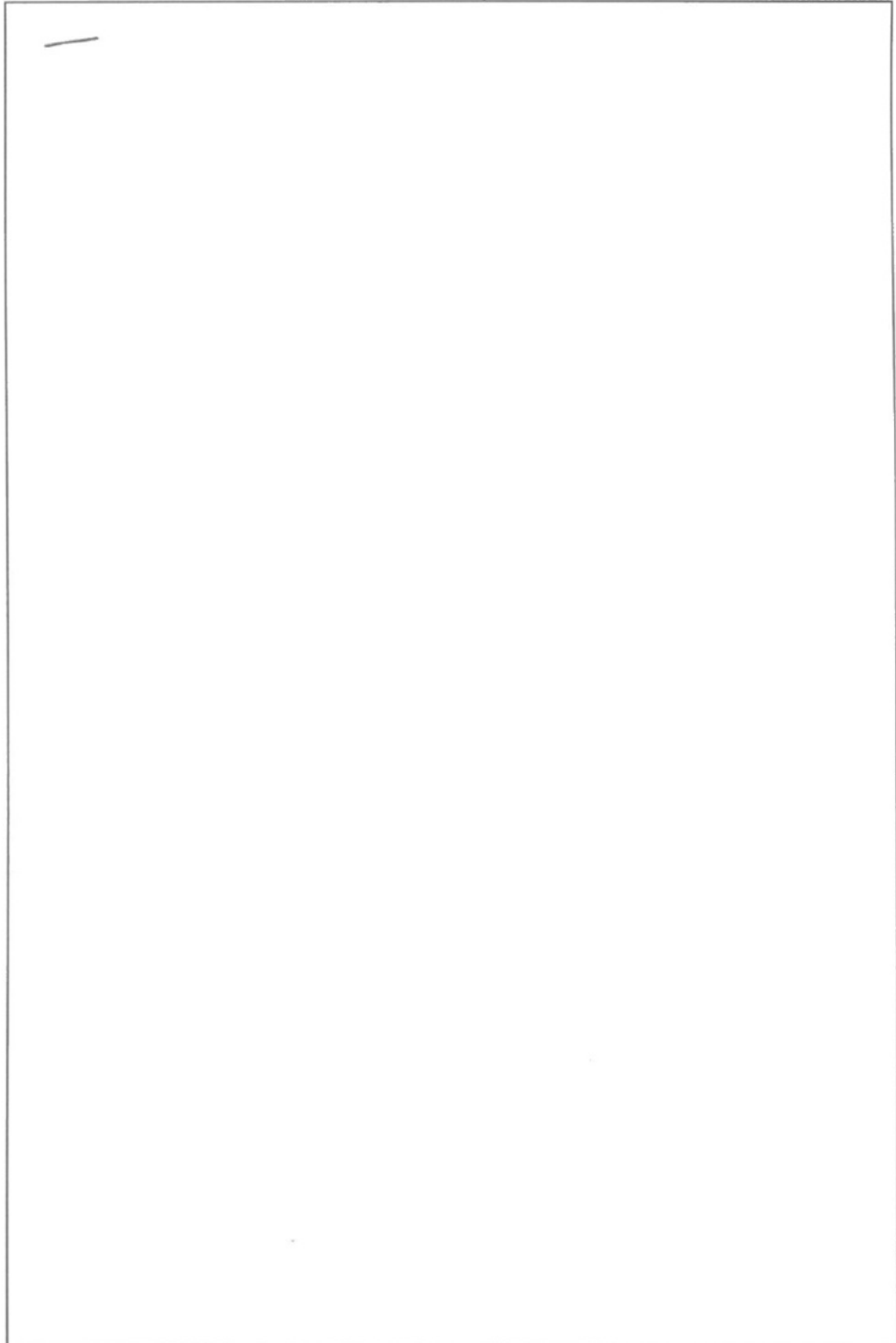
Address:

4 HILLTOP AVENUE  
GREAT GLEN, LEICESTER  
LE8 9EE

**Section B****Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

**Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.**

A large empty rectangular box with a thin black border, intended for the examiner to provide details of any items they wish to disclose. There is a small horizontal line near the top left corner of the box.