

2024 Annual Report

Parochial Church Council

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AIMS AND PURPOSES

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the Priest in Charge (Revd Mark Fraser until Nov 2024; Revd Ade Perham since Nov 2024) in promoting, in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The church also has benefitted from a variety of clergy from across the Parishes.

The PCC is specifically responsible for the maintenance of the building of the Church of the Holy Rood, Village Street, Edwalton and the Church Hall, Village Green, Edwalton.

The Churchwardens – Graham Beck and Allister Craddock – are happy to report that the Church inventory and terrier are all in order.

Objectives

The aspiration of the Church of the Holy Rood is to increasingly be “A worshipping church, welcoming young and old into the Lord’s family, proclaiming the gospel and serving the community.”

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of Holy Rood’s church community.

OVERVIEW

Throughout 2024, we have continued pressing into and living out our church’s shared vision and values together, as we aspire to be:

“A worshipping Church, welcoming young and old into the Lord’s family, proclaiming the gospel and serving the community.”

As trustees of Holy Rood, the Parochial Church Council (PCC) met 7 times during 2024 and has (amongst other things) overseen the Church’s enabling of our vision and values to be more fully realised.

So, what have we done?

a) *A worshipping Church*

We are very grateful to the Ministry Team, who lead our services on Sundays and Wednesdays, along with occasional additional services throughout the year. Throughout the year, this team has included Rev. Mark Fraser, Rev. Ade Perham, Rev. Joyce Saywell (retired Church of Scotland clergy), Jacky Tivers (Licensed Lay Minister), Roger Johnson, Adrian Kemp and Beth Bevan.

In 2024, Holy Rood has offered three kinds of regular Sunday services:

- 10:15am Traditional service (weekly, average attendance of 40 adults and 3 children)
- 9am 'Breakfast Church' service (2nd and 4th Sundays per month, average attendance of 9 adults and 6 children)
- 4pm Evensong service (3rd Sunday per month, average attendance of 14 adults)

On the 3rd Sunday of each month, the 10am service is also a parade service for the church-affiliated BBGA group. Children's provision (called 'Explorers') is offered during this service.

It was heartening to see the church full at times this year (particularly around Easter and Christmas).

The Morning Prayer group has continued to meet on Wednesday mornings, attended by a faithful group of approximately 8 people. The Book Group (meeting bi-weekly on Thursday evenings) has also continued to meet in-person.

The prayer booklets in the Church Garden continue to be popular amongst parishioners (with a total of more than 80 copies being taken) and several services were held outside, including the Holy Saturday morning service and the Crib service. The positive atmosphere around them in their own unique ways was lovely to experience. We are grateful for the faithful team who lovingly maintain the Garden week in and week out throughout the year.

During Advent, we also organised/hosted community carol services at two locations in the parish (including in the Village) which engaged over 50 people in total.

A legacy from Covid is that we continue to offer Communion in two kinds at the 10:15am service. This is because the PCC recognise differing opinions amongst the congregation, with some members preferring

intinction (dipping a wafer into the chalice of wine), and others preferring 'Common Cup' (drinking wine from a chalice). This is a subject that the PCC is regularly reviewing.

b) Welcoming young and old into the Lord's family

2024 brought unexpected but exciting changes in staffing at church, most notably Adrian's resignation and Beth's subsequent hiring as Children & youth Ministry Pioneer in September 2024. Having worked at Holy Rood for three years, Adrian's departure was deeply felt by many and left with a warm goodbye as he moved into a new role in the South-West of the country.

Within a week of Adrian leaving, Beth started in her role. She has very quickly settled in and her faith, enthusiasm and prayerfulness is infectious. As you will see in Beth's report, there are lots of encouraging things that happened in the autumn (and are happening) that engage with younger people. Thank you so much to those of you who help in this vital ministry, giving wholeheartedly of your time, energy, imagination and warmth in sharing God's welcome and love to those you meet.

Speaking of staffing changes, another significant change was precipitated by the Diocese's decision to create and fund a (initially 3-year) full-time incumbency position at Holy Rood. For the last few years, Revd. Mark Fraser was the incumbent of two churches: Holy Rood and St Luke's (in the neighbouring parish). However, with the support of the Diocese, the PCC appointed Revd. Ade Perham to the role of full-time incumbent in the autumn, and he was installed as Priest-in-Charge in the late-November. We are sincerely grateful to Mark for his leadership over the last few years, and his support of the process that led to this full-time incumbency role being created.

Encouragingly, we are growing as a Church. In 2024, we have welcomed new families, couples and individuals across our three services. We are hugely grateful for the warm welcome you give to people walking through our doors for the first time, particularly the sidespeople on Sundays and leaders of other weekday activities and events.

c) Proclaiming the gospel

We hosted a Christingle service in early December (at the Church Hall) which attracted 40 people and included a short talk from Beth. About half of those who came do not currently attend a church regularly. At one-off

events, including the Easter Experience, Easter Trail and Christmas Tree Festival, lots of you facilitated ways for children and parents to engage with Bible stories and their real meaning.

It has also been really encouraging to hear stories from places such as the Tuesday toddler group, where people coming along have felt able to have deep and meaningful conversations with team members.

d) Serving the community

Speaking of Toddlers, the group is run by an active and committed team, who have done a fabulous job of providing a safe space for children and their 'grown-ups', whilst building relationships and being 'good news' to all who come. Whilst we're grateful to the whole team for their continued efforts, particular thanks must go to Sue Bailey for all her hard work in coordinating the team and being generally awesome.

Other regular activities that serve the community and provide vital places of welcome include Rood Gamers (bi-weekly on Tuesday afternoons) and Coffee Morning (weekly on Thursday mornings). Both are well attended, with more than 50 people (total, between them) regularly frequenting them.

The Harvest Celebration Weekend in September saw over 200 people attend. The event included some incredible contributions of flowers and scarecrows from local schools, care homes, other groups and individuals. Particular thanks goes to Julia Jefferson for her efforts in making it happen.

The annual Christmas Tree Festival proved a hit once again. It involved a record 47 trees (provided and decorated by local community organisations), hundreds of visitors and many cakes & cuppa's! Huge thanks to Helen Stephenson and Alex Whitaker, along with the many others who made this such a success. The funds raised for the Children's Bereavement Centre and the Nottinghamshire Hospice were a huge bonus.

Another way that we continued to serve the community throughout the year was by taking several funeral services for members of the church and community. The deaths of long standing members of the congregation are ones that particularly impacted the church.

The PCC, with the support of a few others, explored and actioned the extending of the footpaths in the churchyard, meaning that those with mobility issues can more easily access the churchyard and garden. Additionally, we are thankful to the small team of people who faithfully service and maintain the churchyard on Thursday mornings.

Two other groups of people have kindly been giving their time to reviewing our Churchyard policy and access to the bell-tower.

The PCC have also appointed a Team to figure out what to do with the existing Church Hall and future development/alternative ways to bless and serve the community with the legacy that was given a few years ago. The Community Audit (which was done in collaboration with Transforming Notts Together in 2023) will steer the needs and requirements of the Hall, so that it is a venue that meets the church's missional aims in the local community.

People

We are grateful to a wide range of people who have contributed to the life and flourishing of Holy Rood in 2024. However, every year has its ups and downs, and perhaps the greatest sadnesses were the loss of valuable members of our congregation. Their faithfulness as disciples and their lovingkindness were greatly valued by everyone at Holy Rood and they have, in their unique ways, left rich legacies in the lives of all who knew them.

Throughout 2024, the long-standing six teams that work under the auspices of the PCC, have contributed hugely to the life of the church. These teams include the Finance Team, Ministry Team, Fabric Team, Communications group, 'Breakfast Church' Service Core Team and Pastoral Care Team. As previously mentioned, in the autumn, a Church Hall Steering Group was also set up. These teams have particular remits, empowered by and accountable to the PCC, with each Team having ideally a minimum of two PCC members on them, so that there are clear lines of communication, support and accountability between the teams and the Church's trustees. These teams also ensure that no individual should have to be overly burdened with responsibilities, and makes it easier for newcomers to join these teams and 'learn the ropes' before committing to particular responsibilities.

Thank you to those involved in these teams, and of course the PCC, without which vital parts of the Church simply could not function.

Julie Beesley is our Parish Safeguarding Officer and Rev. Joyce Saywell is our Safeguarding Lead Recruiter. We had no safeguarding issues this year.

We are grateful to all of you who completed the updated GDPR contact details forms, as this has helped us to update our records and gives us a solid platform to continue our Pastoral Care from.

This was our fifth successive year without a full complement of PCC members. This situation cannot continue indefinitely, and we are in real need of church members being willing to stand and serve, to lead the church together into a future with hope and confidence. Whilst we face challenges, we also have many opportunities opening to us and we need to be willing to trust God, listen to his leading and risk some changes to live out our vision to be a “Worshipping Church, welcoming young and old into the Lord’s family, proclaiming the gospel and serving the community.”

PCC Meetings

The PCC has met seven times during 2024/25. The standing business of each PCC meeting has included:

Opening worship, Apologies, Minutes of the previous meeting
Priest’s Report, Health & Safety Report, Safeguarding Report
Treasurer’s Report, Fabric Report, Communications Report
Closing prayers

After each meeting a leaflet summarising our discussions has been made available in the Church Foyer.

At our first meeting after the last APCM we welcomed Elaine Wiley as a newly co-opted PCC member, and Graham Beck and Allister Craddock in their new roles as Churchwardens.

Our meetings in early summer focused primarily on developing our Vision and Roadmap for Holy Rood. For this we were joined by Archdeacon Phil

Williams, who enabled us to clarify the opportunities and challenges we face. We approved our Growing Disciples Plan and Roadmap in July; this enabled the Diocese to agree to appointing Rev'd Ade Perham as our full-time Vicar. Mark Fraser stepped aside as our Priest in Charge, and Ade was installed on 24th November.

In the autumn we turned our attentions to the Church Hall. We appointed a small Project Team to re-visit and explore the options – whether to extensively refurbish the existing building, or whether to demolish it and build a new Hall. These explorations are expected to continue throughout 2025.

The smooth and effective functioning of the PCC is dependent on the handling of routine management and maintenance matters by three PCC subgroups:

- Finance – who oversee all our income & expenditure and the preparation of our accounts, and also our employment procedures
- Fabric – who oversee the maintenance and use of our buildings and sites, as well as Health & Safety matters
- Communications – who are concerned with all aspects of publicity and information-sharing, both among our congregation and in the wider world.

We are grateful to the members of these sub-groups for their significant contributions to supporting the ongoing ministry of our church.

The PCC also has responsibility for Safeguarding; our Parish Safeguarding Officer is Julie Beesley. Safeguarding has come to prominence throughout the Church of England recently, and we have been making strenuous efforts to ensure that all the relevant procedures are being fully implemented at Holy Rood.

David Batte, PCC Secretary

FABRIC GROUP

The Fabric Committee was formally re-established following the 2022 APCM and has the following members:

Revd Ade Perham, Graham Beck (Chair), Neil Stephenson, Julie Beesley.

The team has continued to follow the work initiated in 2022 and described in more detail in previous years' reports. There is a framework of operational activities and reviews for the management of routine activities at the Church, the Churchyard and Garden areas and the Hall, including some with a Health and Safety perspective. This mechanism is now well established and allows actions to be processed with limited intervention from the PCC or indeed the Fabric Committee itself. This allows the team to focus energy on priority matters, typically of strategic nature.

Our thanks go to the many folk who support the upkeep of the premises – indoor and out – it is greatly appreciated by us all. In addition, to Alex, in her 'site manager' role who oversees the organising of key matters, ensuring completion by the due dates. Also to the cleaning and caretaking teams for their contributions as well.

A number of activities have been undertaken over the period of this report, including:

Preparation for the quinquennial – a five yearly external review of the church buildings and surrounds. This is to commence in June this year and will yield a number of actions, with relative priorities for the team to consider.

Tree surveys, following storm damage in November 2024. Remedial works have been undertaken and a new survey has been brought forward to assess the situation again.

Work on the ladder in the belltower: This has been a long and complex issue, but we are close to being able to undertake works. A LOT of effort has been expended by many folk including David Batte and Sue Beamish, to get us to where we are now.

One of the buttresses to the side of the church requires repair. This work has been scoped and costed and will commence shortly.

We continue to monitor some cracking observed in the Church, about the South Door, and also to a window near the pulpit. Although there appears to be some movement, we hope that we will get further advice from the quinquennial review.

Guttering has had some significant work to clear detritus and to get the works on a more frequent cadence.

Routine fire extinguisher checks and electrical safety reviews.

Work on the future of the hall is a separate group. Operational matters continue at the hall, however, including some remedial repair works to some of the window frames and gutters.

The team continues to monitor operational works, and strategic matters that rise from PCC discussions as well as major maintenance activities. We are a small team and would welcome willing volunteers to join us.

Administrative information

The Church of the Holy Rood is a charity registered with the Charity Commission. The members of the PCC are trustees.

PCC members who have served at any time during 2024;

Ex Officio members

Priest-in-charge - Revd. Mark Fraser (until November 2024)

Curate – Revd. Ade Perham (Chairperson),

Priest-in-charge (from November 2024)

Churchwardens - Graham Beck, Allister Craddock

Elected members

Stefan Beck, Vivienne Joyce, Joyce Saywell, Malcolm Saywell, Alan Trease

Co-opted

David Batte, Elaine Wiley

Deanery, Diocesan and General Synods

West Bingham Deanery consists of twenty Parishes. Rev'd Tim Fox (St Paul's) is our Area Dean and Jane Robins (St Peter's Ruddington) is our Lay Chair.

Deanery Synod held four meetings during the last 12 months:

- On 24 April Rev'd David McCullough spoke to us about Diocesan Chaplaincy.
- On 26 June Tony Brown spoke to us about the generosity of giving.
- On 10 October Rev'd Richard Kellett focused our thoughts and prayers on the people of Gaza, Israel, Lebanon and Jerusalem.
- On 11 March 2025 Bishop Paul spoke to us about our Diocesan Vision 2030 and we shared stories of celebration from around the Deanery. We also prayed for all those who have been hurt and abused by the church's shortcomings regarding safeguarding.

There have also been several other events and activities during the year:

- In July, elections were held for our Diocesan Synod and General Synod.
- In September we held a Deanery Prayer Walk around Sharphill, followed by refreshments in the pub.
- Also in September we had a Safeguarding Briefing. This was one of several Briefings and Workshops being held during the coming year.
- In November we had a presentation about the new Parish Giving Scheme, one of several meetings during the year about Parish Share.
- In March 2025 we met with Martin Cooper (Diocesan CEO) about our Growing Disciples Plans and our Parish Giving Trajectory.

David Batte, Deanery Synod Representative

Financial Review

FINANCIAL REVIEW FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2024

General Income and Expenditure Account

The General Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st December 2024 shows a deficit before transfers from other reserves of £32,182. This compares with a deficit of £15,356 in the preceding year.

Regular giving income increased by around 7% during 2024, and income from the hire of the Church Hall/Meeting Room was nearly 30% higher than last year. Despite these, our overall annual income in 2024 was only around 1% higher than in 2023.

In the autumn of 2023 we undertook a Giving Review. The increase in our pledged regular income during 2024 reflects the generous response we received. We encourage everyone to review their giving on an annual basis.

Expenditure has been closely scrutinised by the PCC Finance Committee throughout the year. Our Parish Share was 5% higher than in 2023. Salary costs increased by around 55%; we continued to pay our Children & Families Pioneer worker from the Parish Investment Fund, see below. Our overall annual general expenditure was around 17% higher than in 2023.

In line with Church of England recommended practice, it is our policy to maintain as a reserve an amount equivalent to approximately three months expenditure (eg around £25,000) for contingency purposes. During 2024, the PCC agreed to transfer £24,000 from our Designated Fund Accounts in order to maintain adequate cash reserves. At the end of the year the cash balance in our Unrestricted Accounts was £15,453.

Designated Fund Accounts and Investments

We have three ongoing Designated Fund Accounts:

- The Hall Renewal Fund: designated for the renewal/rebuilding of the Church Hall
- The Parish Investment Fund: designated for supporting an employee who will develop/promote the ministry and mission of the church in the Parish of Edwalton
- The Church Fabric and Churchyard Maintenance Fund: designated for supporting work on the church and surrounding site that cannot be fully funded from within the General Account.

During 2024, the investments within these three Designated Fund Accounts increased in value, reflecting the worldwide increase in the value of investments. The capital value of our investments increased by

£37,700 (2.9%) during the year, while interest and dividends amounted to £34,200 (2.7%).

During the year we transferred £24,000 to our General Account (see above) and £3500 to our Charitable Fund (see below).

During 2024 we spent around £24,500 on our Children & Families Pioneer and associated activities. We also spent around £18,000 from our Church Fabric and Churchyard Fund to improve and repair the paths around our churchyard and garden (we received a grant of £5000 from Rushcliffe Borough Council towards this work) and to renew our fleet of grass mowers.

As a result of these activities the overall value of our Designated Fund Accounts, including funds in our deposit and current accounts, increased by £8500 (0.6%) during the year. At 31st December 2024 the values of these three ongoing Designated Fund Accounts were

Hall Renewal Fund - £854,838

Parish Investment Fund - £448,250

Church Fabric and Churchyard Maintenance Fund - £1831

We received the original legacy from the estate of John Hill in 2015; this was used to establish our Parish Investment and Hall Renewal Funds. Since then the combined net value of these two Funds, after allowing for transfers and expenditure over the nine-year period, has increased by £303,000.

In 2023 we established the designated Holy Rood Charitable Fund, allocating 10% of the previous year's interest and dividends to provide grants for local organisations that are seeking to address social or environmental needs in the local area. During 2024 we allocated £3500, from which we made five grants totalling £2200, to Friends of Sharphill, The Ark Pre-school, Downs Support Group, West Bridgford Debt Centre and Rushcliffe Toy Appeal. The remaining money will be carried forward to 2025.

There was no activity relating to our designated Heritage Fund Cultural Grant of £11,100. Most of the income and expenditure occurred during 2021, with only a residual amount (£1133) remaining in the accounts at the end of 2025.

Legacy Policy

In 2016 the PCC established a policy whereby, wherever possible, legacy gifts are used to help fund development projects, whether buildings, equipment or staff. We encourage people to leave gifts in their wills for the general purposes of the church rather than for a restricted purpose. We discuss the possible uses of such gifts with the executors, bearing in mind the areas of interest of the deceased and the priorities of the church at the time. The PCC makes a decision and the executors are informed regarding the use to which the money is being put.

A legacy of £5000 received during 2024 was used to offset some of the expenditure in our designated Church Fabric and Churchyard Fund (see above).

Charitable Donations and Fundraising

In addition to our Charitable Fund Grants (see above), during 2024 we raised £1700 at our Christmas Tree Festival which was shared between the Children's Bereavement Centre and Nottinghamshire Hospice. We also raised £560 for the Children's Society and donated £60 to the British Legion.

David Batte (Treasurer)

Structure, governance and management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules.

At the Church of the Holy Rood the membership of the PCC consists of the Priest in Charge, Churchwardens, Deanery Synod representatives and Laity Members elected by those members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church.

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the church parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent.

Children and Families Pioneer Report

We continue to offer a variety of ways for children and young people to be a part of our church and to grow in their understanding and journey with God – both on Sundays and during the week. And we also hope, pray and seek to grow this over the following year as we continue to reach out and connect with more and more of the younger generations throughout Edwalton.

Sundays

1st & 5th Sundays: We offer children's activities during the service on the 1st Sunday in the transept, providing fun, engaging and creative ways for them to learn more about God.

2nd & 4th Sundays: We have our more informal service called Afternoon Church which happens from 3:30-5pm in the church hall, with lots of ways for babies, children and young people to get involved, including our very own kids church where we learn more about God and explore this by having lots of fun together in games, creativity, prayer, worship and exploring the bible. This is run by Beth and some very generous and talented volunteers. Afternoon Church has continued to grow over the last year, welcoming a wide range of people to this service, and providing a more informal and contemporary way to worship God. We are excited to see how God will continue to grow this over the next year.

3rd Sundays: We run Explorers during the morning service, where we also learn more about God and have lots of fun together. We often love to explore faith through games, creativity and food! We also love serving and spending time with the children from Boys Brigade & Girls Association who come for Parade Sunday during this session.

Midweek

I have been part of the Baby & Toddler Group team every Tuesday morning during term time, supporting the team and connecting with children and their parents/carers as well as providing a faith-themed story and lots of fun songs (and occasionally bubbles!). This has been a great way to build relationships with families in our community and journey with them, as well as inviting them to other things in our church such as Sunday services & community events.

On Tuesday afternoons, I help to run a choir after school club at Edwalton Primary, building relationships with their KS1 children and staff, and bringing God's presence into the school.

This year, I have been planning for an afternoon school club at Edwalton Primary that is starting at the end of April 25, on Wednesdays after school – providing a safe and fun space for KS2 children to hear stories from the bible and engage with them, aiming to encourage creativity and curiosity.

In March 2025, we began our Youth Space outreach on Thursday afternoons – serving free hot chocolates to young people after school. We have engaged with around 100 young people every week, from both Rushcliffe Spencer Academy and Rosecliffe Spencer Academy. This has been a really joyful way to be present in our community and to share God with the young people.

Other Events

I have really enjoyed developing further relationships with the schools in our area, providing Christmas & Easter workshops, and inviting over 150 students into our church for Christingle Services at Christmas.

We have also reached children, youth and their families through church community events – Harvest Festival, Christmas Tree Festival, Fish & Chips Quiz Night & our Easter Story Trail. This has been a great way to welcome people into our church buildings and witness and share the goodness of God through a variety of ways.

We have also connected with families through our Christingle Service, Pancake Party and Afternoon Church picnics this year, and our hope for the following year is to see more of these families coming along to church and learning who God is and the fullness of life that is found in him.

It has been a joy to serve as Children's & Youth Ministry Pioneer since September, and I look forward with hope, expectancy and joy at all God might do in our church in the next year.

Beth Bevan, Children's & Youth Ministry Pioneer

Communications Report

Gordon and I work together closely on our respective platforms:

Facebook and the website --- [https:// edwaltonchurch.org](https://edwaltonchurch.org)

Facebook's online reach is growing steadily . In the last month we recorded 6,184 views and our reach was 1,209. There was a similar increase in the messages received via the Messenger Inbox. Some required immediate action. One was about the storm damage to our trees.

I believe it shows there is enormous goodwill in the community to reach out to us, and our online platform gives them the opportunity to do just that. As, of course, does our website.

Gordon and I very much hope that our church's varied activities get more of a mention online. So please everyone, supply us with your stories and photos.

Finally, more good news.

Allister is hoping to relaunch the Herald soon. He's talking to a designer who's interested in taking on that side of the operation.

Paul Srinivasan

Caring for our Churchyard

Our Caring for our Churchyard Group has had a busy time during 2024.

In January and February we explored the possibility of acquiring land from Rushcliffe Borough Council to extend our graveyard, but this proved impossible because the land is prone to flooding.

In March and April we focused on improvements to the paths in the churchyard and garden, to make them more usable by people with restricted mobility. This work was completed in May with the help of a grant from the Council.

During the summer we set about clearing the brambles and soil waste from the south-west corner of the graveyard. The newly-grassed area is a great improvement, and will be usable for future burials.

In July we held our 'Marvellous Moths' event and recorded over 50 species. And there was a Garden Plant Sale, which raised money towards replacement of our ageing fleet of grass mowers.

In November we experienced snow damage to some of the trees adjacent to our Village Street boundary. Urgent remedial work was completed in December, and further work was completed in March 2025.

During the year we have updated our church policies and guidance on graves, memorials and the surrounding natural environment. Firstly we collated a substantial amount of historic information about the families of those buried in our graveyard, and supplemented this with listings of the fauna (birds, moths, mammals etc) and flora (courtesy of Liz Curtis) seen in our churchyard; all this demonstrated just what a rich historical and environmental heritage we have at Holy Rood. Then we updated our policy on 'Installation and Care of Graves and Memorials in our Churchyard', bringing it into line with Diocesan Regulations, and published a Guidance Leaflet for the Bereaved (now given to Funeral Directors and any other enquirers). And we produced a 'Management Plan for the Natural Environment in our Churchyard' based on Church of England guidance, including a simple leaflet for visitors.

So far as the overall site is concerned, our wonderful volunteers have continued to keep it as safe, tidy and attractive as possible. The grass areas and flower beds are maintained regularly, while the hedges, shrubs and trees are kept under control. During the year they have completed a tremendous amount of work, for which we are all truly grateful. ***Please come and join them!***

David Batte, Trevor Greaves, Brian Jefferson, Vivienne Joyce, Steve Lockwood, Susan Russell and Alex Whitaker

Church Gardening Club

'One who plants a garden plants happiness' so says the Chinese proverb. Many visitors to the garden would agree and add that they visit the garden because they appreciate the peace and quietness.

The construction of the new gravel path now allows easy access to the garden for wheelchair users.

We are grateful to the volunteers and essential coffee makers who willingly give of their time every Saturday to care for the garden (and the gardeners) and to the many people who kindly donate money towards the upkeep of the garden and essential maintenance of the equipment. We also thank those who provide shrubs and garden furniture in memory of loved ones.

New volunteers, experienced gardeners or not, are needed and can be assured of a warm welcome. We meet on Saturday mornings between 10 and 12.

Trevor Greaves

Edwalton Baby & Toddler Group

Baby and toddlers group continues with really good volunteer support. the team has been enhanced with Beth joining us and her enthusiastic approach is much appreciated by all.

Brian continues to be our 'barista' and the kitchen is in safe hands. Joyce, Jacky, Vivienne and Sue make up the welcoming and support ladies, further supported by Marjory and Elaine on a needs basis.

The numbers of attendees took a bit of a dip as we have had a number of children leaving to go on to the next part of their journey, how we miss them and their carers. Still, we have a baby boom, with second children for at least 4 of our regulars, currently more boys than girls with a surprise to come.

Beth has introduced electronic registration and we will be very happy with this innovation, eventually. Card payments are also available which will relieve people of the need to hunt for that all elusive £1 coin, although the children do love the responsibility and noise of that money going in our special tin.

We try to encourage participation at other church activities and are looking forward to Stefan joining us from the Boys' Brigade and Girls' Association.

Thursday Coffee Morning and Warm Space

Mel and Sue's Thursday Coffee Morning continues to run successfully. We welcome our first customers at 10.20 am through to midday, it being a 'Legacy' and memory of all the care and many projects at Holy Rood by Sue and Melvyn Dougan over many years.

The morning is an open invitation to all in the community, not just members of our church, biscuits and a whole range of drinks are available to suit most tastes including decaf tea or coffee, and many flavours from builders tea to Earl Grey.

On special occasions, Christmas, Easter, and people's birthdays are a time for celebration with cake, eggs, mince pies, a birthday card from all the members, and always a rendition of "[Happy Birthday](#) To You".

Thursday Coffee Morning is one of our most happiest and joyful of occasions each week, with laughter, conversation, and wonderful welcoming company of people.

Why not give us a try? Go on you know you want to!



We welcome anyone to visit, no need to book!

Brian Stewart

Ladies Fellowship

The past year has been very enjoyable with various speakers giving interesting talks on a wide range of topics - including five female fire fighters who climbed Mount Toubkel in the Atlas Mountains raising funds for Fire Brigade Charities, we also heard about the work of the Nottingham Street Pastors who patrol Nottingham City centre at weekends caring for young people.

We were very fortunate with the weather for our annual picnic in July, which we held in July.

We provided and decorated a tree for the Christmas Tree Festival helping to raise funds for the chosen charity.

Our membership continues to increase and we were in a position to donate £250.00 to the Church.

We meet in the Church Meeting room on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm and we shall be delighted to welcome visitors and prospective new members.

Freda Crampton

Rood Gamers & Rood Singers

We continue to meet fortnightly on a Tuesday afternoon between 2pm and 4pm in the Church Meeting Room. It is a social gathering where we play a variety of sit down games. Our regular attendance is twelve. We are open to newcomers joining us whatever age, all it costs is 50p and for that you get a hot drink and biscuits.

Keith, Trevor and David

We are a group of people from the Church who enjoy singing. This session we have performed at the Christmas Tree Festival where we sang Carols that were well known and others that are not. Also there were a couple of light hearted ones as well. We also led the Carol singing around the Village.

Keith and Malcolm

1st Edwalton Rainbows, Brownies & Guides

Rainbows, Brownies and Guides have had another busy year. Our membership remains full, and with our waiting list we anticipate that this will be the case for the foreseeable future. Leaders wise we are struggling though, and are currently on the look out for 2 Guide leaders and 1 Brownie leader to support from September.

We continue to have a packed and varied activity schedule - in the last 12 months this has included - a sponsored walk round Holme Pierrepont for

CoppaFeel, Rainbows sleepover to White Post Farm, fruit & veg tasting, music & dancing activities, bouldering, chip shop walk, movie night, planetarium night, spa evening, meditation evening, celebration of national donut day, deaf awareness sessions and loads of crafts & colouring. Some activities we link in with our wider Guiding family including Sports Day with other units across West Bridgford and Thinking Day activities which are celebrated across the world.

We were extremely lucky to also be visited by Fudge and co, an animal encounter experience company where the girls thoroughly enjoyed making friends with a skunk, a rat, an owl, a tenrec, a royal python, a blued tongued skink, giant millipedes, hissing cockroaches and a tarantula

At Christmas we returned to Epperstone Court which is a complex of 87 assisted living flats, this was the first time since Covid and it was wonderful to be back with the residents. Even more so when some of the faces we recognised, and we also had the opportunity to make new friends. As usual we took all the residents a gift that we had made. We were lucky enough that Santa paid us a visit and not only gave out the gifts to all the residents, but to all the Rainbows, Brownies and Guides too.

Up and coming, the Brownies have their White Post Farm sleepover in July, a trip to PGL Activity Centre in September, whilst the Guides are joining 100 other Guides from West Bridgford for a camp at Elton in June. Finally, we would like to say a massive thank you to everyone who helps us and supports us throughout the year.

Nikki Lucas – Brownie and Guide Leader and Kate Meakin - Rainbow Leader

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42nd Nottingham (Edwalton) Boys' Brigade

The last year has seen the 42nd Company go onwards and upwards. Thanks to the Building Stronger campaign started by BB nationally nearly two years ago, over this last year, we have recruited straight into Juniors and straight into Company Section, making the latter of those two the largest its been in numbers for years. We've also gained four more Anchors this year. Our Company's Facebook and Instagram pages

continue to grow in popularity and recently we've had a page on the Church website set up for us. We would all like to thank Gordon for his initiative and help given to make this happen.

Since Beth started in her role in the Church at the end of the summer, she has visited us on a monthly basis, leading activities and engaging brilliantly with members of all sections. Her Explorers sessions on Parade Sunday's have also proved popular with our Anchors and Juniors.

In September we participated in the Church's Love the World event, with five scarecrows put together by our Company Section members. Our stall with games proved popular as well.

In October we once again took part in the Juniors annual sleepover, spending the night at the Church, and in November our band once again led the Royal British Legion Parade in Eastwood on Remembrance Sunday. A week later saw our annual Enrolment Service take place.

December saw us participate in the Church Christmas Tree festival, with our band performing on the Saturday afternoon and our members helped lead some carol singing the same day. Our tree was themed around the 42nd of today, with each members name adorning it, along with pictures of each badge, some handmade decorations made by the Anchors, and pictures of some of the highlights of the year. Alongside the tree was the anchor mosaic made by our Company Section members last year, consisting of 4096 Lego tiles!

The final build up to Christmas saw the young members fully engage in the advent themed Parade Service followed by our family Carol Service at the Church Hall.

This year both our Juniors, and then our Anchors took part in an indoor climbing evening at the Nottingham Climbing Centre.

Highlights in competitions taken part in include our Juniors winning the indoor athletics competition last June, James winning the Company Section Chess in October, Karsten winning the Company Section Table Tennis in January, and Jacob winning the Juniors Connect 4 in March.

We continue to attend Church services once a month through our own monthly Parades, keeping the band going strong, which continues to draw great appraisal from Church members and residents alike. Our members continue to participate in services by doing readings and the

collection, and although our Anchors and Juniors usually go out to Explorers during the services, we at least do still get a good percentage of Company members attending and enjoying coming to the services.

We of course are very grateful for all positive feedback we get from congregation members, whether it be for how well dressed the young people are, how well behaved they are, how good the band sounds, whatever it may be. We do appreciate it, and we don't take for granted the things we get to do in the Church and will always contribute to the life of the Church as much as we can and in the best way we can.

So, at the time of writing, we currently have 5 Anchors, 6 Juniors, 7 Company Section and 5 Officers, but as is often the way, what we lack in quantity we make up for in quality. And our young people never let the low numbers get in the way of having a fun evening, nor let it stop them being able to do the things they can do and achieve.

Our Annual Display and Awards Night this year is on Wednesday 11th June at the Church Hall. You are all of course welcome to attend, and you will be able to see what they can do in small numbers and what they've been able to achieve. You can see them show their talents, many of which they may not have known they even had if they weren't in the BBGA, and do it with confidence.

My final word goes to the Officers of the Company, Graham, Lisa, Andy and Matthew, without whom, the Company could simply not function. Being a BBGA Officer is a thankless task and all 4 give their services quite freely and willingly, not looking for any reward or recognition.

Stefan Beck

Services

2024

| | | |
|---|---------|-------------------------------------|
| 1 st Sunday | 10.15am | Morning Worship |
| 2 nd & 4 th Sundays | 9.00am | Breakfast Church at the Church Hall |
| | 10.15am | Holy Communion |
| 3 rd Sunday | 10.15am | Morning Worship with BBGA Parade |
| | 4.00pm | Evensong |

HOME or HOSPITAL COMMUNION By arrangement with the Ministry team.

BAPTISM and THANKSGIVINGS During the 10.15am service by arrangement with Rev Mark Fraser or Rev Ade Perham

WEDDINGS and MARRIAGE BLESSINGS By arrangement with Rev'd Mark Fraser or Rev Ade Perham

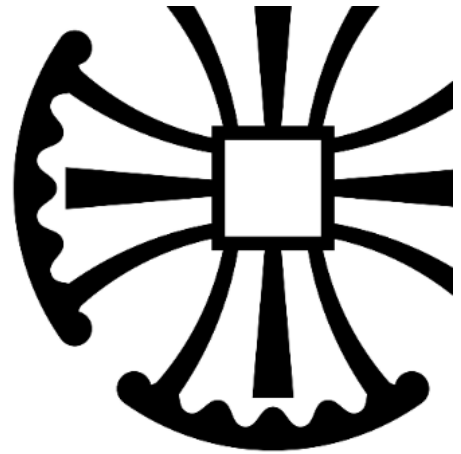
FUNERALS By arrangement with Rev'd Mark Fraser or Rev Ade Perham

Thank you to everyone who contributes to the life of the Church.

If you would like to know more about any of the groups or events mentioned in the report, please contact the group leader, Ade or Alex

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**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL
PARISH OF THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY ROOD, EDWALTON**

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2024

Registered Charity Number 1133017

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Independent Examiner's Report to the members of the Parochial Church

Council of The Church of the Holy Rood, Edwalton

I report on my examination of the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the members of the PCC you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act'). You consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Act, but that an independent examination is required.

I report in respect of my examination of the accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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7 April 2025

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ending 31 December 2024

| | | Note | Unrestricted | Designated | Restricted | TOTAL FUNDS | |
|---|--|------|--------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|
| | | | Funds | Funds | Funds | Y/E 31 Dec | Y/E 31 Dec |
| | | | | | | 2024 | 2023 |
| | | | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Incoming Resources | | 2 | | | | | |
| Voluntary Income | | | 59,936 | 15,697 | - | 75,633 | 67,284 |
| Activities for generating funds | | | - | 2,187 | - | 2,187 | 2,442 |
| Income from investments | | | 251 | 23,598 | - | 23,849 | 23,014 |
| Church activities | | | 25,866 | - | - | 25,866 | 21,029 |
| TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES | | | 86,053 | 41,482 | - | 127,535 | 113,769 |
| RESOURCES EXPENDED | | 3 | | | | | |
| Church activities | | | 113,985 | 53,771 | 1,425 | 169,181 | 132,492 |
| Governance costs | | | 4,251 | 3,500 | - | 7,751 | 5,134 |
| TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED | | | 118,236 | 57,271 | 1,425 | 176,932 | 137,626 |
| NET (OUTGOING)/ INCOMING RESOURCES BEFORE TRANSFERS | | | (32,183) | (15,789) | (1,425) | (49,397) | (23,857) |
| TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS | | | 24,000 | (24,000) | - | - | - |
| NET(OUTGOING)/ INCOMING RESOURCES BEFORE OTHER RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES | | | (8,183) | (39,789) | (1,425) | (49,397) | (23,857) |
| OTHER RECOGNISED GAINS | | | - | - | - | - | - |
| Gains/(loss) on investment assets | | | - | 48,274 | - | 48,274 | 95,297 |
| NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS | | | (8,183) | 8,485 | (1,425) | (1,123) | 71,440 |
| Balances b/fwd 1 January | | | 37,502 | 1,297,576 | 2,850 | 1,337,928 | 1,266,488 |
| Balances c/fwd 31 December | | | 29,319 | 1,306,061 | 1,425 | 1,336,805 | 1,337,928 |

Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2024

| | | | | | | 2024 | 2023 |
|--------------------|---------------------------------|--|--|--|-------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | | | Notes | £ | £ |
| FIXED ASSETS | | | | | | | |
| | Tangible | | | | 5(a) | 14,338 | 17,737 |
| | Investments | | | | 5(b) | 1,240,158 | 1,221,884 |
| | | | | | | 1,254,496 | 1,239,621 |
| CURRENT ASSETS | | | | | | | |
| | Stock | | | | | 300 | 300 |
| | Debtors and prepayments | | | | | 4,425 | 2,461 |
| | Cash at bank and in hand | | | | | 83,781 | 98,613 |
| | | | | | | 88,506 | 101,374 |
| LIABILITIES | | | | | | | |
| | Creditors - amounts falling due | | | | | 6,197 | 3,067 |
| | within one year | | | | | | |
| NET CURRENT ASSETS | | | | | | 82,309 | 98,307 |
| TOTAL NET ASSETS | | | | | | 1,336,805 | 1,337,928 |
| PARISH FUNDS | | | | | | | |
| | Unrestricted | | | | 6 | 29,319 | 37,502 |
| | Designated | | | | | 1,306,061 | 1,297,576 |
| | Restricted | | | | | 1,425 | 2,850 |
| | Endowment | | | | | - | - |
| | | | | | | 1,336,805 | 1,337,928 |

| 2. INCOMING RESOURCES | | | | Unrestricted | Designated | Restricted | TOTAL FUNDS | |
|--------------------------|---|----------------------|--|--------------|------------|------------|-------------|---------|
| | | | | Funds | Funds | Funds | 2024 | 2023 |
| | | | | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| 2(a) | Voluntary Income | | | | | | | |
| | Planned giving: | | | | | | | |
| | | Gift Aid donations | | 40,772 | - | - | 40,772 | 38,079 |
| | | Tax recoverable | | 10,567 | - | - | 10,567 | 10,485 |
| | | Uncovenanted | | 8,420 | - | - | 8,420 | 5,721 |
| | Donations: | | | | | | | |
| | | Sundry | | 177 | 2,076 | - | 2,253 | 5,174 |
| | | Fabric | | - | 3,621 | - | 3,621 | 2,725 |
| | | Bells | | - | - | - | - | - |
| | Grant: | | | | | | | |
| | | Listed Worship Grant | | - | - | - | - | - |
| | | Other Grant | | - | 5,000 | - | 5,000 | 5,000 |
| | Legacies | | | - | 5,000 | - | 5,000 | 100 |
| | | | | 59,936 | 15,697 | - | 75,633 | 67,284 |
| 2(b) | Activities from generating funds | | | | | | | |
| | Fund Raising Events | | | - | 2,187 | - | 2,187 | 2,442 |
| | Other | | | | | - | - | - |
| | | | | - | 2,187 | - | 2,187 | 2,442 |
| 2 © | Income from Investments | | | | | | | |
| | Dividends and interest | | | - | 23,598 | - | 23,598 | 22,453 |
| | Interest Received | | | 251 | - | - | 251 | 561 |
| | | | | 251 | 23,598 | - | 23,849 | 23,014 |
| 2(d) | Income from church activities | | | | | | | |
| | Fees | | | 8,063 | - | - | 8,063 | 7,215 |
| | Hire of church hall | | | 15,563 | - | - | 15,563 | 12,198 |
| | Hire of meeting room | | | 2,240 | - | - | 2,240 | 1,616 |
| | | | | 25,866 | - | - | 25,866 | 21,029 |
| TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES | | | | 86,053 | 41,482 | - | 127,535 | 113,769 |

| 3. RESOURCES EXPENDED | | | Unrestricted | Designated | Restricted | TOTAL | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|------------|------------|---------|---------|
| | | | Funds | Funds | Funds | 2024 | 2023 |
| | | | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| 3 (a) | Church activities | | | | | | |
| | Church Societies | | | - | - | - | - |
| | Secular charities | | 126 | 4,469 | - | 4,595 | 4,521 |
| | Ministry: | Parish Share | 63,082 | - | - | 63,082 | 59,916 |
| | | Incumbent | 3,142 | - | - | 3,142 | 3,014 |
| | | Vicars expenses | 1,967 | - | - | 1,967 | 1,560 |
| | Heating, lighting and cleaning | | 12,941 | - | - | 12,941 | 8,642 |
| | Insurance | | 4,259 | - | - | 4,259 | 4,169 |
| | Minor repairs | | 3,577 | - | - | 3,577 | 1,496 |
| | Churchyard | | 1,006 | 18,985 | - | 19,991 | 4,294 |
| | Audit & Accountancy | | 70 | - | - | 70 | 175 |
| | Upkeep of services | | 472 | - | - | 472 | 690 |
| | Depreciation of fixtures and fitting | | 1,974 | - | 1,425 | 3,399 | 3,399 |
| | Salaries and honoraria | | 18,397 | 24,567 | - | 42,964 | 38,305 |
| | Church hall | | 2,972 | 5,750 | - | 8,722 | 2,311 |
| | Other | | - | - | - | - | - |
| | | | 113,985 | 53,771 | 1,425 | 169,181 | 132,492 |
| 3(b) | Governance | | | | | | |
| | Printing, postage and stationary | | 2,031 | - | - | 2,031 | 2,242 |
| | Sundry Administration expenses | | 2,220 | 3,500 | - | 5,720 | 2,892 |
| | | | 4,251 | 3,500 | - | 7,751 | 5,134 |
| | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED | | | 118,236 | 57,271 | 1,425 | 176,932 | 137,626 |

| 4. STAFF COSTS | | 2024 | 2023 |
|--------------------|--|--------|--------|
| | | £ | £ |
| Wages and salaries | | 42,964 | 36,513 |
| | | 42,964 | 36,513 |

During the year the PCC employed an administrator, two cleaners and a pioneer worker none of whom earned more than £50,000 pa. There were no disposable transactions in respect of PCC members, persons closely connected with them or related parties.

Employees of the Holy Rood participate in the Pension Builder Scheme section of CWPF for lay staff. CWPF is administered by the Church of England Pensions Board, which holds the CWPF assets separately from those of Holy Rood, and other participating employers. CWPF has two sections, the Defined Benefit Scheme and the Pension Builder Scheme, the later having two subsections - Pension Builder Classic, which is a deferred annuity scheme, and Pension Builder 2014, which is a cash balance scheme. Both sections of the Pension Builder Scheme are classed as defined benefit schemes. Pension Builder Classic provides a pension, accumulated from contributions paid and converted into a deferred annuity during employment based on terms set and reviewed by the Church of England Pensions Board from time to time. Pension Builder 2014 is a cash balance scheme that provides a lump sum which members use to provide benefits at retirement. Pension contributions are recorded in an account for each member. Discretionary bonuses may be added before retirement, depending on investment returns and other factors. The account plus any bonuses declared is payable, unreduced from age 65. There is no sub-division of assets between employers in each section of the Pension Builder Scheme. The scheme is considered to be a multi-employer scheme as described in Section 28 of FRS 102. This is because it is not possible to attribute the Pension Builder Scheme's assets and liabilities to specific employers and means that contributions are accounted for as if the Scheme were a defined contribution scheme. The pensions costs charged to the SoFA in the year are the contributions payable to the Pension Builder 2014 scheme were £1,776 (2023 £2,300).

A valuation of the Pension Builder Scheme is carried out once every three years. The most recent valuation was carried out as at 31 December 2022. For the Pension Builder Classic section, the valuation revealed a surplus of £34.8m on the ongoing assumptions used. At the most recent annual review effective 1 January 2025, the Board chose to grant a discretionary bonus of 6.7% to both pensions not yet in payments and pensions in payment in respect of service prior to April 1997; and a bonus on pensions in payment in payment in respect of post April 2006 service so that the pension increase was 2.7% (where usually it would be calculated based on inflation up to 2.5%). This followed improvements in the funding position over 2024. There is no requirement for deficit payments at the current time.

The next valuation is due as at 31 December 2025.


For the Pension Builder 2014 section, the valuation revealed a surplus of £8.5m on the ongoing assumptions used.

There is no requirement for deficit payments at the current time.

The legal structure of the scheme is such that if another employer fails, Holy Rood could become responsible for paying a share of the failed employer's pension liabilities.

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|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|------------|
| 5. FIXED ASSETS FOR USE BY THE PCC | | Freehold land and buildings £ | Church & church hall equipment £ | Church & church hall Total £ | | |
| 5(a) Tangible fixed assets | | | | | | |
| ACTUAL/DEEMED COST | At 1 January 2024 | 11,365 | 32,889 | 44,254 | | |
| | Additions | - | | - | | |
| | At 31 December 2024 | 11,365 | 32,889 | 44,254 | | |
| DEPRECIATION | At 1 January 2024 | - | 26,517 | 26,517 | | |
| | Charge for the year | - | 3,399 | 3,399 | | |
| | At 31 December 2024 | - | 29,916 | 29,916 | | |
| NET BOOK VALUE | At 31 December 2024 | 11,365 | 2,973 | 14,338 | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | At 1 January 2024 | 11,365 | 6,372 | 17,737 | | |
| 5(b) Investment fixed assets | | | £ | | | |
| | Market Value at 1 January 2024 | | 1,221,884 | | | |
| | Purchases at cost | | | | | |
| | Disposals at cost | | (30,000) | | | |
| | Change in Market Value | | 48,274 | | | |
| | Market Value at 31 December 2024 | | 1,240,158 | | | |
| Holdings at 31 December 2024: | | 34,419 shares in the CBF Church of England Investment Fund (Unrestricted) Investments fixed assets include three designated funds one of £444.305, one designated fund of £792,422 and one of £3,445. They all comprise of equity shares and bonds and are managed by third parties. | | | | |
| 6. NET ASSETS BY FUND | | Unrestricted Funds £ | Designated Funds £ | Restricted Funds £ | Endowment Funds £ | TOTAL £ |
| | Fixed Assets for Church use | 12,913 | - | 1,425 | - | 14,338 |
| | Investment Fixed Assets | | 1,240,158 | - | - | 1,240,158 |
| | Current Assets | 19,796 | 68,710 | - | - | 88,506 |
| | Current Liabilities | (3,390) | (2,807) | | - | (6,197) |
| | Fund Balance | 29,319 | 1,306,061 | 1,425 | - | 1,336,805 |

These Accounts were adopted, following Independent Examination, at
the PCC Meeting held on Sunday 13th April 2025

Signed  (PCC Chair)

Rev'd Ade Perham

Date 13/4/2025

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The Church of the Holy Rood, Edwalton**

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