

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST. LUKE FARNWORTH WIDNES

England & Wales - Charity number 1133042

Details

Other names ST. LUKES P.C.C. FARNWORTH

Status Registered

Legal form Previously excepted

Registered 2009-12-01

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

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Activities

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

Activities: Regular public worship open to all. The provision of sacred space. Pastoral work including visiting the sick and bereaved. Teaching of Christianity. Taking of religious assemblies in schools. Promotion of Christianity through events and meetings. Promoting mission of the Church by activities for senior citizens, parents and toddlers and others. Supporting other charities in UK and overseas.

Classification

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

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** UNDEFINED. IN PRACTICE, LOCAL.
- Halton
- Knowsley
- St Helens

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£326,942	£154,752	-	-
2023-12-31	£89,712	£116,038	-	-
2022-12-31	£182,295	£130,504	-	-
2021-12-31	£111,719	£121,275	-	-
2020-12-31	£86,236	£113,869	-	-
2019-12-31	£132,665	£141,374	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
BARRY HORABIN		
CLARE JANE LIPTROTT		
Colleen Harper		2023-01-01
Gail Beswick		2014-04-06
Jeffrey Evans		2023-01-01
LESLEY FLORENCE RUNCORN		
LYNN CHRISTINE KEELING		
MARGARET CAMPBELL		2011-10-28
MRS PAT JOHNSON		
MRS SUE SMITHER DIP.ED.		
Robert Leech		2023-01-01
SANDRA MAY LACEY		
Sandra Vanezis		2023-01-01
YVONNE HORABIN		2012-10-30

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Parish of St. Luke Farnworth with Cronton Mission

Annual Trustees Report of the Parochial Church Council 2024

COMMUNITY - Eco Nature Day



COMMUNITY - Heritage Day



CONCERTS - 6th form college



CONCERTS - Mayor's Carol service



CHILDREN - Sunday Club



CHILDREN - Jam Club



Yours sincerely

Name Surname
Title

CRONTON - Ecumenical service



CRONTON - School Café style



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George Telfer	Health & Safety Officer	2027
Co-options		
Owen Mullarkey	Fabric subgroup	2025
Sandra Lacey	Secretary	2025

2. OVERVIEW of 2024

On 23rd September 2024 a Licensing service was held to mark the beginning of a new ministry with Reverend Canon Peter William Dawkin as Priest in Charge of Farnworth St Luke with Cronton Mission. Reverend Peter as Area Dean had supported our Lay Ministers who had to oversee three congregations - St Luke's church, St Ambrose and

Cronton Mission church. Lay Minister Sue Smither was granted permission by Archdeacon Simon to continue to lead services of Holy Communion by Extension after Reverend Peter's appointment as the number of clergy in the Deanery was reduced to 3 - Reverend Peter, Reverend Linda Dawkin and Reverend Greg Sharples. PCC is indebted to Sue for taking on an extra workload at St Luke's church and Lay Ministers Clare and Lesley at Cronton Mission so the pattern of worship could continue. A thank you to our church wardens for covering the services too.

After numerous fund-raising events and successful grant applications work started on our major project the installation of toilets and a servery on 27th November and should be completed by Easter 2025. PCC would like to thank everyone who donated to enable this work to be undertaken to enhance the mission and ministry in our Parish.

We were all shocked when Geoff Poole died unexpectedly on March 14th. A gentle giant, a true and learned, multi-talented gentleman, it goes without saying that Geoff has been very sorely missed. In September we were so very sad to learn of the death of Alma Marshall, our dear friend and a member of PCC. Alma Marshall. Alma's strong faith underpinned all that she was and did; she was so kind and caring, where she saw a need Alma stepped right in, there was never any need to ask, she was always just there. In November we were shocked to hear of the untimely death of Pat Beesley, an MU and choir member.

Events and services in 2024

January

Quiz at Widnes Cricket Club prize matched with £500 from HSBC.

The first 'River of Light' walk, a joint venture between school and church. The procession from Farnworth CE school was followed by a service in church when several people spoke about their role in the community.

February

Free concert given by students from Cronton 6th Form performing Arts Department who showcased the various talents they will be using for their exams.

East Widnes Team Lent study groups in St Ambrose Church Hall.

March

The first Café style worship held during the school day at Cronton CE School. Lay Minister Clare led the short informal service. This is now a monthly event on the last Friday of the month.

Lent Soup and Sandwich lunches.

Sunday Club involved in Mothering Sunday service.

April

Experience Easter for children of Farnworth School with Sue and at Cronton School with Clare.

Good Friday Jam Club.

May

The first Nature & Heritage to appreciate the nature in the churchyard -learn about the plants in the churchyard, their uses and their importance in the ecosystem.

Cubs from Farnworth Methodist Church met in church to learn the history of our church. This visit was part of their Local Knowledge Badge.

June

Children from Farnworth and Lunts Heath schools involved in a D Day Service of Commemoration at Victoria Park led by Sue

Our Rose Queen and retinue opened the Summer Festival at Farnworth CE School.

Summer Concert Dr. Jekyll and Mr Hyde by Cronton 6th Form College Performing Arts

Children from Farnworth School Y5 came to church to join in a mid-week worship with us

July

Farnworth reception classes visit church.

Patsy Clifford's sky dive raised over £2,000 for the toilet and servery project

August

September

National Heritage Open Day with Guided Church tour, Farnworth Village Heritage Walk, Self-guided churchyard quiz, Eco craft activities, tombola and eco inspired games.

December

Nine lessons and carols service followed by mulled wine and mince pies.

Christmas Eve Christingle services 3pm & 5pm.

Christmas Eve HOLY COMMUNION 11pm

Christmas Day HOLY COMMUNION 10am

Review of Objectives set for 2024

a) MISSION and MINISTRY

Technology including WhatsApp is used to outreach & interact with a wider and more diverse population.

Net Zero check list completed as directed by the Diocese.

b) CHILDREN'S and YOUNG PEOPLE'S MINISTRY

Children and adults confirmed.

The implementation of the Diocesan 'Growing Faith Adventure' which replaces the Child Friendly Award is ongoing.

Our Rose Queen and retinue opened the Farnworth School Summer Festival.

Schools welcomed in church for their own services and performances as well as at 9.30am Wednesday services.

Schools supported in their initiative to raise funds for a Library Pod.

c) OCCASIONAL / PASTORAL SERVICES

A Blue service in the period before Christmas was not held.

The second Walk of Light and service in church with children from Farnworth school took place.

d) FESTIVALS

School children involved in the Remembrance Day service.

e) MAKE A BIGGER DIFFERENCE

Bring One Friend and Back to Church Sundays did not take place.

Foodbank and Kings Cross Project supported.

Lent and Advent Soup and sandwich lunches held in church.

f) RULE of LIFE

A bible study/prayer group and/or meditations to be held in 2025.

The Parish Giving Scheme to be promoted across the church and Mission.

To emphasise the need for the congregation at Cronton Café Style to support the ministry to promote Outreach and pastoral care there through regular giving. This is ongoing.

A 'Good Box' has not yet been put permanently at Cronton Mission for online giving.

A service of thanksgiving for volunteers (every 2 years) was not held.

g) PLANTING NEW CONGREGATIONS

To investigate ideas to take the church to the people. This is ongoing.

h) CONSERVATION PROJECT

Eco Nature and Heritage Day held to encourage awareness of the nature in the churchyard and raise awareness of eco issues.

3. CHALLENGES for 2025

When the work on the Toilets and Servery is completed groups who have previously shown an interest in holding their meetings in church will be approached. In the past the lack of facilities prevented groups using the building. The building stands empty during the week except Wednesday, so it is imperative that the building is used for a

range of activities to benefit the community and make our church sustainable. All parishes in the Liverpool Diocese have to produce a budget and sustainability plan for the next 10 years to show why their church should not be closed. At present our Parish is running at a loss as expenses are higher than income so if you would consider joining the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) it would be appreciated as we need to ensure the church stands as a beacon in the town for generations to come. **THE PAST IS OUR INHERITANCE THE FUTURE IS OUR RESPONSIBILITY.**

If **100** people donated just **£10** a month this would add **£12,000** a year to our funds, and if it was gift aided that would add a further **£2,500**. To join PGS call **0333 002 1260** and Quote our unique church code **22062210**. One- off donations can also be made this way, and you can gift aid it too.

Objectives for 2025

a) MISSION and MINISTRY

To produce a sustainability report with short, medium and long term plans to enhance mission and ministry.

To investigate methods to outreach & interact with a wider and more diverse population.

To action points in the Net Zero check list.

b) CHILDREN'S and YOUNG PEOPLE'S MINISTRY

To encourage children and adults to consider confirmation.

To re-introduce Communion before Confirmation for Sunday Club.

To implement the Diocesan 'Growing Faith Adventure' which replaces the Child Friendly Award.

To maintain the tradition of having a Rose Queen and retinue.

To be involved in the School Summer Festival if invited.

To welcome schools in church and support schools in their initiatives.

c) OCCASIONAL / PASTORAL SERVICES

To hold a Blue service in the period before Christmas.

To make the Walk of Light and service an annual event.

d) FESTIVALS

To introduce Remembering Festival Experience for school children and church families.

To hold Experience Easter in church or school.

e) MAKE A BIGGER DIFFERENCE

To hold a 'Bring One Friend and Back to Church' service.

To continue to support Foodbank and Kings Cross Project.

To hold Lent and Advent Soup and sandwich lunches with bible study and/or meditation.

f) RULE of LIFE

To hold a bible study/prayer group and/or meditations.

To instigate a Giving Campaign to promote the Parish Giving Scheme.

To emphasise the need for the congregation at Cronton Café Style to support the ministry to promote Outreach and pastoral care there through regular giving.

To have a 'Good Box' permanently at Cronton Mission for online giving.

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4. STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE and MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE

The general functions of the PCC are stated within section 2 of the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956. There are no other related trusts. The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. Church members registered on the Electoral Roll are eligible to stand for election to the PCC. Legally, the PCC is responsible for the financial affairs of the church parish and the maintenance of the building, the Bridewell and the churchyard, and for promoting the mission of the church.

The PCC operates two subcommittees: The Standing Committee and Friends of St Luke Farnworth. PCC members are CRB checked and receive Health & Safety and Safeguarding training.

GOVERNANCE

PCC members are committed to making good use of the funds and resources with a focus on achieving the desired outcomes whilst ensuring the charity follows the law, produces policies and, where issues arise, these are dealt with efficiently and quickly. Potential risks are considered, progress is monitored and actions taken when necessary.

SAFEGUARDING OFFICER & LEAD RECRUITER Margaret Campbell 07376112836

Safeguarding Officer for Cronton and Deputy Recruiter for Cronton is Debbie Doyle. Deputy Recruiter for St Luke's church is Lynn Keeling. Safeguarding is of vital importance, to St Luke's and Cronton Mission. We need to be welcoming but also a safe place. Therefore, we follow the Diocese of Liverpool Safer Recruitment Practice Guidance 2016. This refers to the whole recruitment process for volunteers and paid workers.

GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATION

All the congregation's information is stored in a safe place, privacy is respected, and personal information is not shared with other organisations.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

The Churchwardens are totally committed to all aspects of Health & Safety. If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact them.

MANAGEMENT

PROCEDURES - The PCC operates under a mature system of controls and procedures developed over many years of operation. Finance and operational issues are routinely monitored as part of regular PCC meetings. When planning activities for the year, the PCC consider the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefits, in particular, the specific guidance to charities concerned with advancement of religion.

BUDGET - An annual budget is prepared to monitor short-term viability. Actual results compared with budget are reported to the PCC quarterly. The investments are reviewed. All assets are insured.

RESERVES POLICY - No charity can operate for any length of time without reserves. The available reserves are low, so a major effort will be needed to re-build reserves to a working level, and to re-build a contingency for future maintenance costs.

CONTINGENCY PLANS - The Scout and Guide building can be used for services in the event of the Church becoming unusable for a limited period.

ELECTORAL ROLL - 166 on the 2024 roll. (New roll in 2025)

5. CHURCH GROUPS

Bell Ringers

If you love to hear the church bells, Nigel, Tower Captain 07860632096. Practice Tuesdays 6.30pm. Training given.

Choir

leads us in song every Sunday morning and at Festivals. If you enjoy music and

Fellowship contact Director of Music Paul 07778042553. Practice Thursdays 6pm.

Church Cleaning

10.30 to 12noon once a month on the last Wednesday and as required for special services. All

equipment and materials provided. Just call in, many hands make light work.

Flower Arranging team

If you would like to help Wednesday & Friday mornings Lesley 01514231759

Friends of St Luke's Church

organise fund raising events ranging from quizzes to concerts. Ideas for fund raising always

welcome. If you would like to join our Whatsapp group contact Sandra 0776672030

Mothers' Union

meet second Wednesday each month in church 7pm for prayer and fellowship with a variety of

speakers. Colleen 01514244351.

Jam Club

Second Sunday each month 3-4pm join Clare and Jack (our church puppet) for worship focussed on families and the young at heart - bible story, songs and crafts. Also Good Friday Family Service 10am to 11am Clare 07976549410

Open Door Wednesday

10am to 3pm church is open. Pop in for a chat and cuppa. People on hand to welcome you and show you around our beautiful church.

Games Galore Wednesday

1pm to 3pm Come and join us for 2 hours of light-hearted fun playing games Scrabble,

Dominos and many more and chatting. Coffee and cake too. Pat 07717522878

Open Door Saturday

First Saturday each month 10am to 11.30am for fellowship, a look around and chat or for a quiet space to sit and spend some time with your thoughts, or with God. Tea and teacakes, coffee and crumpets provided. Contact Sue 07962012916

Sunday Club

In the Bridewell 10.30am on 1st, 3rd and 4th Sundays during term time, stories of our faith are told in a lively way, with craft activities. The children come into Church at 11.15am to share what they have done with the congregation. Lynn 07741494261

Uniformed Organisations Clare Liptrott 07976549410

Parish Review

If you would like to input to the magazine, or have a magazine delivered to you or would like an advert in the magazine please contact farnworthreview@yahoo.co.uk Philip 07710030973

6.FINANCE

(a)FINANCIAL REVIEW

The funds of the church are, in the main, made up of three sections:

1. Endowment Fund - Generally, only the interest is available for the PCC's use, not the capital. There have been NO withdrawals from Investments.

Endowment funds £170,760, up on previous year by £3,893 due to increase in stock market valuations

2. Restricted and Designated funds - This is for monies for specific purposes, i.e., Major Repairs, Bridewell etc. Restricted funds, including Friends account £168,446 which is mainly for the church toilet project. Designated funds £2,309.

3. General Fund -This covers the income and expenditure of the day to day running costs of the church. It is this section which yet again has seen a noticeable drop in income.

Mainly due to the loss of some of our regular givers who have sadly died in the year. At the start of 2024 we still owed £56,000 to the Diocese for parish share for 2023. We have managed to pay £22,000 towards this creditor, leaving £34,000 still outstanding plus the current years parish share figure of £72,000, giving a total of £106,000 outstanding to the Diocese at end of December 2024. We are presently in discussions with the Diocese about the outstanding Parish share . People have been very generous in giving to the toilet fund for these much needed facilities. Hopefully the general fund will benefit from extra income once they are built.

The income from regular givers has continued to drop, although people using the parish giving scheme has increased slightly, mainly with regular givers changing from giving by enveloped and standing orders rather than from new regular givers .

.Charitable Giving

Children's Society - £500 from Christingles

Christian Aid - people were encouraged to donate direct to Christian Aid.

Foodbank - As well as food donations on a regular basis and at special services such as Harvest. Farnworth School and Cronton School continue to support Foodbank.

Toy Service - the response from the congregation, the schools and the community donating toys, gifts and toiletries for the Trinity Kings Cross Appeal was overwhelming.

Farnworth CE School Bag to School weigh in - the PTA was delighted to receive our donations to this initiative to raise funds for a library pod and promote the reuse of clothes & shoes to

help build a more sustainable future.

b) ACCOUNTS

The church's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The church's

trustees consider that an audit is required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

This report on 2024 was approved at a meeting of PCC members on 7th April 2024.

If you spot any mistakes, please contact PCC Secretary 07761672030

sandralacey47@yahoo.co.uk so amendments can be made before the report goes to the

Diocese and the Charity' Commission. Thank you.

4a STAFF COSTS	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and Salaries	10,085	9,922
Social Security Costs		-
Pension Costs		-
	10,085	9,922

During the year the PCC employed an organist and some monthly payments were large enough to attract social security costs. Also employed, was an Administrator for booking Funerals, Weddings and Baptisms. Payments were made to Retired clergy and Readers for funeral services of £5,948 (2023 = £2,263). A contra against PCC fees was in relation to these fees. The average number of employees during the year was 4 (2023 - 4).

4b PAYMENTS TO PCC MEMBERS

No payments or expenses were paid to any PCC member for their services provided as a PCC member for the year ended 31 December 2024, nor for the year end 31 December 2023.

During the year services were provided by S Smither as an employee of St Lukes Church, for funeral services only, at a cost of £2,987. This was in addition to services provided as a PCC member on a voluntary basis.

5 FIXED ASSETS

5(a) Tangible

No Capital expenditure was incurred in 2024 (2023 - nil).

5(b) Investments	2024	2023
	£	£
Market value at 1st January 2024	166,867	152,553
Disposal at carrying value		
Income from investments	32	30
Revaluation gain/(loss)	3,861	14,284
	170,760	166,867
Market value at 31st December 2024		

6 DEBTORS (unrestricted funds)

	2024	2023
	£	£
Tax recoverable	12,040	22,157
Prepayments and Accrued Interest		
Other Debtors	138,862	2,000
	150,902	24,157

7 LIABILITIES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year (unrestricted funds)		
Accruals for utilities and other costs	110,397	59,419
Other creditors	5,000	12,000
Loans	115,397	71,419
Amounts falling due after one year		
Loans	-	2,500

8 FUNDS

ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets						
Investment fixed assets				170,760	170,760	166,867
Current Assets					179,557	83,167
Bank	8,282	2,830	168,445		150,902	24,157
Debtors	150,902					
Liabilities	-				-	-
115,397					115,397	
Amounts falling due within 1 year						-
Amounts falling due after 1 year						71,419
Fund balance	43,787	2,830	168,445	170,760	385,822	200,272

Independent examiner's report to the PCC of ST LUKE'S, FARNWORTH, WIDNES

Report to the Parochial Church Council (PCC) of St. Luke's, Farnworth on the accounts for the year end

31 December 2024, as set out on pages 1 to 7 of Appendix 1 of your Annual Report.

Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the examiner

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2006 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission.

An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures

in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the PCC concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion

is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the Act and the Regulations have not been met.

- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: _____

Mrs N Hague FCA

Date: 24th April 2026

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2. OVERVIEW of 2023

Team Rector, Reverend Bob retired in October. His last service was on Sunday, October 15th. So our Lay Ministers had to oversee three congregations - St Luke's Church, St Ambrose and Cronton Mission Church, supported by Area Dean, Rev Canon Peter Dawkin. Lay Minister Sue Smither was granted permission by Archdeacon Simon to lead services of Holy Communion. PCC is indebted to Sue for taking on this extra workload so our pattern of worship continued.

On Friday 27th October in the early evening, a speeding car, coming up Farnworth Street, hit the last speed bumps which caused the driver to lose control and the car ploughed into the church wall to the right of the main gates. Luckily no one was hurt. The 9th century Saxon Cross was all but destroyed but thankfully has now been repaired. A specialist team was needed to restore the cross and rebuild the wall. The interest and support for the repair has been very rewarding, not only in good wishes but in generous donations, and we are very grateful for this response. (This work was completed at start of February 2024, thanks to all who donated to the work).

Fund raising is still underway to be able to apply for grants to provide toilets and a servery in church to make the building fit for purpose. To support our grant applications a questionnaire is being circulated to the congregations, community and schools.

Barry Ingram stepped down from PCC in April because of ill health and sadly passed away in December. Barry's faith was unerring; he put his trust in God to guide him through all things, knowing that he would provide for him. We thank God for Barry's work in numerous roles in church over many years.

Events and services

January - church was open 10.00 am until 4.00 pm on Wednesdays and the heating was on so people could come along for a chat and a drink to save their own heating costs for a day.

March - Spring Raffle, Quiz and Lent Soup and Sandwich. Cronton whole school worship at St Lukes.

April - Sow and Grow (Planting for Pollinators) initiative promoted by Eco group.

April - Experience Easter in church for children of Farnworth School with Sue and at Cronton School with Clare. Joint Service for Palm Sunday at Cronton Methodist Chapel.

May - St. Luke's Church played host to the Widnes Deanery Confirmation service.

Bishop Geoff confirmed 19 people and welcomed one person into the Church of England.

Special service of Holy Communion to celebrate the Coronation of HM King Charles III, followed by a toast to the King.

June - Cronton Centre of Excellence Performing Arts Department students presented "A Summer Evening of Music and Song".

Rose Queen service to carry on the tradition of having a Rose Queen and Retinue at St Luke's church. Charlotte and Cara were crowned as our Rose Queens.

Music Sunday celebrated in morning service and at Jam Club.

July - Visit to church by Poppy Field School.

August - Special Open Door Farewell to Andersons to thank them for their many, many years of wonderful and faithful service to our community.

September - National Heritage Open Day theme 'Creativity Unwrapped'. Focus on 'William Morris' Window, Embroidery Workshop, Flower Arranging Workshop,

Pollinator Pots display,

Churchyard Quiz Trail and Craft Activities.

October - Cronton reception children welcome service. Harvest Festival with donations to Foodbank. Children from Farnworth School held their service in the following week and donated to Foodbank too. Key stage 2 children led Harvest at Cronton, again with donations to Foodbank.

All Souls' Day - a time to remember and give thanks for all those who have gone before us, be that recently or some time ago.

November - St. John's Ensemble Concert

Remembrance Sunday - In the porch there was a beautiful poppy 'waterfall' created by the ladies from the Farnworth Arts and Craft group; we are indebted to them for the display. Cronton village and 3 churches came together for Remembrance at the cenotaph with a service to follow in the Methodist chapel.

Toy service - donations given to the Trinity Kings Cross Project who distribute them to children in Widnes who might not otherwise receive a Christmas present.

Games Room at Farnworth School Christmas market. £350 was raised for church funds.

Visit to church by Y1 and Y2 classes from Moorfield CP School.

December - Greenall's Brass band concert

Cronton Sixth Form College Performing Arts Department presented A "Mini Dickens Christmas Carol" in words and music. Key stage 1 children performed their Nativity at Cronton Mission.

Nine Lessons & Carols service followed by mulled wine and mince pies and the Christmas draw.

Christmas Eve Christingle services 3pm & 5pm.

Christmas Eve HOLY COMMUNION 10.30am and HOLY COMMUNION 11pm

Christmas Day HOLY COMMUNION 10am

3. OBJECTIVES and ACTIVITIES

Objectives for 2024

a) MISSION and MINISTRY

To continue to use technology to help us to outreach & interact with a wider and more diverse population.

To work towards Net Zero as directed by the Diocese.

b) CHILDREN'S and YOUNG PEOPLE'S MINISTRY

To encourage children and adults to consider confirmation.

To implement the Diocesan 'Growing Faith Adventure' which replaces the Child Friendly Award.

To continue the tradition of crowning a Rose Queen, possibly at a Farnworth School

Summer event.

To welcome schools in church and support schools in their initiatives.

To introduce Café worship for families at Cronton during the school day on a monthly basis.

c) OCCASIONAL / PASTORAL SERVICES

To hold a “blue” service before Christmas for those who may not be feeling festive.

To hold a River of Light walk and service in church with children from Farnworth school.

d) FESTIVALS

To introduce Remembering Festival Experience for school children and church families.

e) MAKE A BIGGER DIFFERENCE

To hold “Bring One Friend” and “Back to Church” Sundays.

To support a local charity for a year.

To hold occasional lunches in church.

f) RULE of LIFE

To hold a bible study/prayer group and/or meditations.

To continue to promote the Parish Giving Scheme across the church and Mission.

To emphasise the need for the congregation at Cronton Café Style to support the ministry to promote Outreach and pastoral care there through regular giving.

To provide a ‘Good Box’ permanently at Cronton Mission for online giving.

To hold a service of thanksgiving for volunteers (every 2 years).

g) PLANTING NEW CONGREGATIONS

To investigate ideas to take the church to the people.

h) CONSERVATION PROJECT

To encourage educational use of the churchyard.

To hold a Nature Day in May to raise awareness of eco issues.

Review of 2023 Objectives

a) MISSION and MINISTRY

Welcome slideshow promotes services and events before 10.30am and at baptism services.

Zoom services held to outreach & interact with a wider and more diverse population.

Sow and Grow initiative launched to promote an awareness of eco issues.

b) CHILDREN’S and YOUNG PEOPLE’S MINISTRY

The Deanery Confirmation service was held at St. Luke’s church.

A special service was held to continue the tradition of crowning a Rose Queen.

The PCC supported travel costs for Cronton children to attend whole school worship at St Lukes Church in March. Cronton school continue to deliver worship at Cronton Mission for Harvest and Christmas. New reception children “seedlings”, alongside their year 5 “gardeners” are welcomed to Cronton Mission in October. Children were given seeds/bookmarks as a memory of worship at the Mission on a Sunday.

c) OCCASIONAL / PASTORAL SERVICES

Cronton Mission came together with the whole village, its schools or churches for ecumenical worship throughout the year on Palm Sunday, Remembrance and Christmas.

As we were in an interregnum in the period before Christmas a “blue” service was not held.

d) FESTIVALS

Farnworth school children took part in Experience Easter in church. Cronton school children took part in Experience Easter in school.

Farnworth school children donated items for the Foodbank during their Harvest service in church. The Foodbank was the recipient of items from Cronton school's harvest service.

Children from Farnworth School's Ethos group took part in the service on Remembrance Sunday.

e) MAKE A BIGGER DIFFERENCE

As we are in arrears on our Parish Share we did not support a local charity for a year but congregation members were generous supporting Foodbank and the Toy service. Advent lunches were held in church.

f) RULE of LIFE

The Parish Giving Scheme is promoted on the website and in the magazine.

The congregation at Cronton Café Style have been informed of the need to support the ministry to promote Outreach and pastoral care there through regular giving.

A 'Good Box' not permanently at Cronton Mission for online giving as it is still needed in St Luke's church.

g) PLANTING NEW CONGREGATIONS

Continued involvement with the Scout and Guide group who visit church.

h) CONSERVATION PROJECT

The 'eco' group set up a 'Community Sow and Grow' initiative to promote our natural and cultural heritage and the importance of God's creation.

4. STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE and MANAGEMENT

STRUCTURE

The general functions of the PCC are stated within section 2 of the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956. There are no other related trusts. The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. Church members registered on the Electoral Roll are eligible to stand for election to the PCC. Legally, the PCC is responsible for the financial affairs of the church parish and the maintenance of the building, the Bridewell and the churchyard, and for promoting the mission of the church.

The PCC operates two subcommittees: The Standing Committee and Friends of St Luke Farnworth. PCC members are CRB-checked and receive Health & Safety and Safeguarding training.

GOVERNANCE

PCC members are committed to making good use of the funds and resources with a focus on achieving the desired outcomes whilst ensuring the charity follows the law, produces policies and, where issues arise, they are dealt with efficiently and quickly. Potential risks are considered, progress is monitored and actions taken when necessary.

SAFEGUARDING OFFICER & LEAD RECRUITER Margaret Campbell

07376112836

Safeguarding Officer for Cronton and Deputy Recruiter for Cronton is Debbie Doyle.

Deputy Recruiter for St Luke's church is Lynn Keeling. Safeguarding is of vital importance, to St Luke's and Cronton Mission. We need to be welcoming but also a safe place. Therefore, we follow the Diocese of Liverpool Safer Recruitment Practice Guidance 2016. This refers to the whole recruitment process for volunteers and paid workers.

GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATION

All the congregation's information is stored in a safe place, privacy is respected, and personal information is not shared with other organisations.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

The Churchwardens are totally committed to all aspects of Health & Safety. If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact them.

MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES

The PCC operates under a mature system of controls and procedures developed over many years of operation. Finance and operational issues are routinely monitored as part of regular PCC meetings. When planning activities for the year, the PCC consider the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefits, in particular the specific guidance to charities concerned with advancement of religion.

BUDGET - An annual budget is prepared to monitor short-term viability. Actual results compared with budget are reported to the PCC quarterly. The investments are reviewed. All assets are insured.

RESERVES POLICY - No charity can operate for any length of time without reserves. The available reserves are low, so a major effort will be needed to re-build reserves to a working level, and to re-build a contingency for future maintenance costs.

CONTINGENCY PLANS - The Scout and Guide building can be used for services in the event of the Church becoming unusable for a limited period.

ELECTORAL ROLL - 171 on the 2023 roll. (New roll in 2025)

5. CHURCH GROUPS

Bell Ringers Love to hear the church bells? Pop into church on Tuesdays, at 6.30 pm, to meet Nigel, our Tower Captain, and the team and have a go. No experience is needed as training will be given. Contact Nigel on 0151-495-3894.

Choir leads us in song every Sunday morning and at Festivals. If you enjoy music and fellowship, come along to practice, which is every Thursday at 6.00 pm, in church. Director of Music Paul Delaney 07778-042553.

Church Cleaning

10.30 to 12.00 noon once a month on the last Wednesday and as required for special services. All equipment and materials provided. Just call in, many hands make light work. Contact Pat 07717-522878.

Flower Arranging

The team are in Church on Wednesday & Friday mornings. Lesley 0151-423-1759.

Friends of Farnworth St Luke's Church

Our 'R&R' community heritage appeal, aims to raise the funding needed to complete necessary **REPAIR** work to the roofs of Bold Chapel, the Nave and the Bell Tower, as well as the **REGENERATION** of the facilities in our church by providing toilets and a servery so that we can welcome more people to our beautiful Grade II* listed Church. If you would like more information please contact Barry 07471-350957 barry.horabin@btinternet.com or Sandra sandralacey47@yahoo.co.uk.

Mothers' Union

We were able to enjoy a full programme of meetings during 2023. Sue Connolly set the ball rolling with a very interesting talk about her work as a Guide at Liverpool Cathedral. This was followed by Lilian Woodstock from choir telling us about her life abroad, Maureen Isherwood from Widnes & Runcorn Cancer Support Group, Mr Redman from Farnworth School, Paul Delaney, our Director of Music at St Luke's, and a representative from Widnes Foodbank, one of the charities we support. There was also the usual update from Christian Aid, the New Member Service of Holy Communion and our usual social evenings. Our Christmas Lunch was at Riverside College where we were joined for the first time by members from the MU branch at St Michael's Church.

Our August outing was a visit to St Mary's Church in Daresbury, after which we all enjoyed lunch at *their* Ring O Bells pub, also just across the road! For this year we are hoping to arrange a visit to the Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral.

The 2024 programme started with a moving account of her walk with God by our Lay Reader, Clare Liptrott. Further events will include talks on railway journeys, the Triangle of Hope, the fight against modern day slavery and another one from Paul about different aspects of his musical life.

Since our last report, we have sadly lost three of our members, Ann Entwistle, Barbara Kelsall and Wendy Collinson, three indomitable ladies who will be greatly missed. We were very pleased to welcome Marion Hall and Brenda Bullock at our New Member service, conducted by Rev Bob just a month before his retirement, and hope they will enjoy our events.

We continue to meet in Church at 7.30 pm on the second Wednesday of each month except August and all are welcome, whether or not they themselves are mothers or even fathers! Membership costs £29.00 per annum to cover branch, diocesan and national headquarters expenses.

Colleen Harper 07946-389162 colleenharper251@hotmail.com

Joint Leader for St Luke's Branch and Area Trustee for Widnes at the Diocese.

JAM Club (Jesus and Me)

Join Clare and Jack (our church puppet) on the second Sunday of each month, 3.00-4.00 pm, for worship focussed on families. In fact, anyone who is young at heart is welcome for a bible story, songs and crafts and a time to share toast together!

Also Good Friday 10am to 11am Clare 07976549410

Open Door Wednesday

Every Wednesday between 10.00 am and 3.00 pm the church is open. Everyone is welcome to pop in for a chat and a cuppa. There will be people on hand to welcome you and show you around our beautiful church.

Games Galore Wednesday

1pm to 3pm Come and join us for 2 hours of light-hearted fun playing games - Scrabble, dominoes, UNO and many more, while chatting and enjoying coffee and cake too. Contact Pat on 07717-522878.

Open Door Saturday

We became aware that, every single time we open the church doors, someone will just 'drop' in; perhaps just for a quick look round but often they are looking for a quiet space to sit and spend some time with their thoughts, or with God. So we now St Luke's doors on the first Saturday of each month, so giving people that opportunity to walk in, to chat if they want to, to have someone pray with them if requested, to offer fellowship and to provide, free-of-charge, tea and teacakes, coffee and crumpets.

Being realistic, we have never been overwhelmed by the number of visitors, but there isn't a Saturday morning that someone hasn't dropped by and benefitted from the opportunity to walk through those 'Open Doors'. We are hugely grateful to those who come on a regular basis to help serve the refreshments and be a listening ear. It would be lovely if we could have Open Door more often.

Sue, Lay Minister, 07962-012916 First Saturday each month 10.00 am to 11.30 am

Parish Review

The Association of Church Editors gave the magazine the Clarity of Christian Message award. The Editor takes no credit for the award. The award is for everyone who inputs to the magazine. If you would like to input to the magazine, or have a magazine delivered to you or would like an advert in the magazine please contact

farnworthreview@yahoo.co.uk Philip 07710-030973

Sunday Club

This takes place in the Bridewell at 10.30 am on the 1st, 3rd and 4th Sundays during term time. Stories of our faith are told in a lively way, with craft activities. The children come into Church at 11.15 am, to share what they have done with the congregation.

Lynn 07741-494261

Uniformed Organisations

[Anything to come from](#) Clare Liptrott

6.FINANCE

a)FINANCIAL REVIEW

The funds of the church are, in the main, made up of three sections:

1. Endowment Fund - Generally, only the interest is available for the PCC's use, not the capital. There have been NO withdrawals from Investments.

2. Restricted and Designated funds - This is for monies for specific purposes, i.e., Major Repairs, Bridewell etc.

3. General Fund - This covers the income and expenditure of the day to day running costs of the church. It is this section which has seen a noticeable drop in income this year, having lost quite a few of our regular givers who have sadly died. At the start of 2023 we still owed £26,000 to the diocese for Parish Share for 2022, which has been difficult to repay as well as the current year's figure of £72,000. We have managed to pay £42,000 to the diocese in 2023, £26,000 re 2022 and £16,000 towards 2023 leaving £56,000 still out-standing at end of 2023. People have been very generous in giving to the toilet fund for these much need facilities. Hopefully the general fund will benefit from extra income once these are built.

The income from regular givers this year has continued to drop, although people using the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) has increased slightly, mainly with regular givers changing from using envelopes and standing orders, rather than income from new regular givers.

Balances @ 31/12/2023:

Endowment Funds £166,867, up on previous year by £14,314, due to increase in the Stock Market.

Restricted funds, including Friends account, £77,163, which is mainly for the church toilets project.

Designated funds £4,709

General Fund Deficit (£48,467)

Children's Society - £673.80 from Christingles

Christian Aid - people were encouraged to donate direct to Christian Aid.

Foodbank - As well as food donations on a regular basis and at special services such as Harvest, Farnworth School and Cronton School continue to support Foodbank.

Toy Service - the response from the congregation, the schools and the community donating toys, gifts and toiletries for the Trinity Kings Cross Appeal was overwhelming.

b) ACCOUNTS

The church's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The church's

trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the

Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

This report on 2023 was approved at a meeting of PCC members on 22nd April 2024. If you spot any mistakes, please contact Sandra Lacey, PCC Co-optee and Secretary 07761672030, sandralacey47@yahoo.co.uk so amendments can be made before the report goes to the Diocese and the Charities' Commission. Thank you.

Parish Details

PCC Name	<u>ST LUKE'S, FARNWORTH, WIDNES</u>
Year	<u>2023</u>
Name of signature 1 on accounts:	<u>Reverend Canon Peter Dawkin</u>
Name of signature 2 on accounts	<u>YVONNE HORABIN</u>
Name of Independent Examiner	<u>Vanguard Accountancy Limited</u> <u>Liverpool</u>
Professional Qualifications of Independent Examiner	<u>Chartered Accountant</u>
Date of Accounts approval by PCC	<u>9th October 2024</u>
Date of Independent Examiner's Report	<u>9th October 2024</u>

**PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
ST LUKE'S, FARNWORTH, WIDNES
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
For the year ended 31 December 2023**

	Note	General Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted		TOTAL FUNDS	
				Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	2023 £	2022 £
INCOMING RESOURCES							
Voluntary Income	2(a)	50,010	1,525	18,029		69,564	157,007
Activities for generating funds	2(b)	2,855				2,855	1,018
Income from investments	2(c)	6,498			30	6,528	6,535
Church activities	2(d)	10,764				10,764	17,734
Other incoming resources	2(e)						
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		70,128	1,525	18,029	30	89,712	182,295
RESOURCES USED							
Church Activities	3(a)	103,823	698	10,518		115,038	129,114
Costs of generating voluntary income	3(b)						329
Fund-raising trading costs	3(c)						62
Governance costs	3(d)	1,000				1,000	1,000
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		104,823	698	10,518	-	116,038	130,505
NET INCOMING (OUTGOING) RESOURCES BEFORE OTHER RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES							
	-	34,695	828	7,511	30	-	51,790
Gains or losses on investment assets on disposal	5(b)						
on revaluation	5(b)				14,284	14,284	20,375
Transfers between funds	-	1,500	1,500			-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	-	36,195	2,328	7,511	14,314	-	31,415
Balances b/fwd at 1st January 2023	-	12,272	2,381	69,652	152,553	212,314	180,899
Balances c/fwd at 31st December 2023	-	48,467	4,709	77,163	166,867	200,272	212,314

The notes on pages 3 to 7 form part of these accounts

**PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
ST LUKE'S, FARNWORTH, WIDNES
BALANCE SHEET
At 31 December 2023**

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	Note	2023 £		2022 £
FIXED ASSETS				
Tangible	5(a)			
Investment	5(b)	166,867		152,553
		166,867		152,553
CURRENT ASSETS				
Stock				
Debtors	6	24,157		28,835
Short term deposits				
Cash at bank and in hand		83,167		73,804
		107,324		102,640
LIABILITIES				
Creditors - amounts falling due in one year	7	-	71,419	-
		35,905		62,261
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)				
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		202,772		214,814
Creditors - amounts falling due after one year	7	-	2,500	-
		200,272		212,314
PARISH FUNDS				
Unrestricted		-	48,467	-
Designated			4,709	2,381
Restricted	8	77,163		69,652
Endowment	8	166,867		152,553
		200,272		212,314

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 9th October 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Rev Canon Peter Dawkin

Yvonne Horabin

The notes on pages 3 to 7 form part of these accounts

**PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
St Luke's Franworth ,Widnes
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the year ended 31 December 2023**

1 Accounting policies

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 together with the second edition of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice, issued October 2019; applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the valuation of assets which are shown at market value. The financial statements include all transactions assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body, nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Charitable status and taxation

As a registered charity, the company benefits from rates' relief and is generally exempt from income tax and corporation tax. The charity is not registered for value added tax.

Funds

Endowment funds are funds, the capital of which if possible must be maintained; only income arising from investment of the endowment may be used either as restricted or unrestricted funds depending upon the purpose for which the endowment was established.

Restricted funds represent (a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest, and (b) donations or grants received for a specific object or invited by the PCC for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forwards as a balance on that fund or transferred to another fund as agreed by PCC.

The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund. Where there is no separate investment, interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

Unrestricted funds are general funds which can be used for PCC ordinary purposes.

Incoming resources

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is legally entitled to the amounts due.

Dividends are accounted for when receivable, interest is accrued. All other income is recognised when it is receivable.

All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

The charity received voluntary help from its supporters, but these services have not been included.

Resources expended

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. The diocesan parish share is accounted for when due. Amounts received specifically for mission are dealt with as restricted funds. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Costs of generating voluntary income

All expenses relating to fundraising, public relations and investment management charges are charged to this heading.

Charitable activities

Charitable activities comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Governance costs

These costs relate to the governance of the company itself, as opposed to the management of charitable activities or fundraising and publicity, and are primarily associated with constitutional, statutory and legal requirements.

Fixed assets

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts in accordance with s.96(2)(a) of the Charities Act 1993.

Movable church furnishings held by the vicar and churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal are inalienable property, listed in the church's inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For anything acquired prior to 2000 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the financial statements. Subsequently no individual item has cost more than £1000 so all such expenditure has been written off when incurred.

Equipment used within the church premises is not depreciated. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £500 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

Investments are valued at market value at 31 December each year end.

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
ST LUKE'S, FARNWORTH, WIDNES
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)
For the year ended 31 December 2023

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2 INCOMING RESOURCES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS	
					2023 £	2022 £
2a Voluntary Income						
Planned Giving: Gift Aid donations	11,819				11,819	15,628
Tax Recoverable	312				312	4,905
Parish Giving Scheme	26,408				26,408	23,600
Collections (open plate)	8,213				8,213	10,152
Gift Days						-
Grants Heating 2024		750			750	34,220
Donations	3,258	775	18,029		22,062	68,503
Special appeals						-
Legacies						-
	50,010	1,525	18,029	-	69,564	157,007
2b Activities for Generating Funds						
Bookstall for fundraising						-
Hall Lettings for non-church purposes						
Rummage sales, fetes, etc.	2,855				2,855	1,018
	2,855	-	-	-	2,855	1,018
						-
2c Income from Investments						
Dividends and Interest including tax recoverable	4,498			30	4,528	4,535
Rent from land or buildings held as an investment	2,000				2,000	2,000
	6,498	-	-	30	6,528	6,535
2d Income from Church Activities						
Church Hall lettings						
Bookstall for promoting church objectives						
Magazine income from sales	1,143				1,143	1,619
PCC Fees	9,621				9,621	16,116
	10,764	-	-	-	10,764	17,734
2e Other Incoming Resources						
Surplus on sale of fixed assets						
Loan invest ac						
	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	70,128	1,525	18,029	30	89,712	182,295

**PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
ST LUKE'S, FARNWORTH, WIDNES**
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)
For the year ended 31 December 2023

3 RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	TOTAL FUNDS	
	£	£	£	£	2023 £	2022 £
3(a) Church Activities						
Missionary and charitable giving:						
Overseas missionary societies						
Overseas relief and dev. agencies						
Home missions and other Church organisations						
Secular organisations						
Parish Share	72,251				72,251	84,325
Working expenses of incumbent						
EWT	500				500	2,800
Assistant staff costs	9,922				9,922	14,514
Church running expenses						
Heating and lighting, water	5,275		473		5,748	4,337
Insurance	6,344		1,054		7,398	6,983
Other costs Broadband	624				624	609
Depreciation						
Church maintenance	2,610		906		3,516	1,875
Upkeep of Services	3,964	698			4,662	2,545
Upkeep of churchyard	1,127		538		1,665	1,084
Printing and other costs of magazine	1,204				1,204	1,090
Bookstall costs						
Parish training and mission						
Education						
Hall running costs						
Hall maintenance						
Major repairs to Church building			7,548		7,548	8,952
Major repairs to other Church property						
Insurance excess on Church Heating						
	<u>103,823</u>	<u>698</u>	<u>10,518</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>115,038</u>	<u>Err:522</u>
3(b) Generation of voluntary income						
Cost of appeals, etc						
Cost of Stewardship envelopes	0					329
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>329</u>
3(c) Fundraising trading costs						
Bookstall costs						
Costs of fetes and other events						62
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>62</u>
3(d) Governance costs						
Independent examiner fee	1,000				1,000	1,000
Cost of PCC meeting						
	<u>1,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>
Total Resources Expended	<u><u>104,823</u></u>	<u><u>698</u></u>	<u><u>10,518</u></u>	<u><u>0</u></u>	<u><u>116,038</u></u>	<u><u>130,505</u></u>

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4a	STAFF COSTS	2023	2022
		£	£
	Wages and Salaries	9,922	14,514
	Social Security Costs	-	-
	Pension Costs	-	-
		<u>9,922</u>	<u>14,514</u>

During the year the PCC employed an organist and some monthly payments were large enough to attract social security costs. Also employed, was an Administrator for booking Funerals, Weddings and Baptisms. Payments were made to Retired clergy and Readers for funeral services of £2,263. A contra against PCC fees was received in relation to these fees. The average number of employees during the year was 3 (2022 - 3).

4b PAYMENTS TO PCC MEMBERS

No payments or expenses were paid to any PCC member for their services provided as a PCC member for the year ended 31 December 2023, nor for the year end 31 December 2022.

During the year services were provided by S Smither as an employee of St Lukes Church, for funeral services only, at a cost of £2,035. This was in addition to services provided as a PCC member on a voluntary basis.

5 FIXED ASSETS

5(a) Tangible

No Capital expenditure was incurred in 2023 (2022 - nil).

5(b)	Investments	2023	2022
		£	£
	Market value at 1st January 2023	152,553	172,898
	Disposal at carrying value		
	Income from investments	30	30
	Revaluation gain/(loss)	14,284	- 20,375
		<u>166,867</u>	<u>152,553</u>

6 DEBTORS (unrestricted funds)

		2023	2022
		£	£
	Tax recoverable	22,157	28,214
	Prepayments and Accrued Interest		
	Other Debtors	2,000	621
		<u>24,157</u>	<u>28,835</u>

7 LIABILITIES

		2023	2022
		£	£
	Amounts falling due within one year (unrestricted funds)		
	Accruals for utilities and other costs	59,419	28,379
	Other creditors	12,000	12,000
	Loans	<u>71,419</u>	<u>40,379</u>
	Amounts falling due after one year		
	Loans	<u>2,500</u>	<u>2,500</u>

8 FUNDS

ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

		Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
		£	£	£	£	£	£
	Tangible fixed assets						
	Investment fixed assets				166,867	166,867	152,553
	Current Assets						
	Bank	1,295	4,709	77,163		83,167	73,804
	Debtors	24,157				24,157	28,835
	Liabilities						
	Amounts falling due within 1 year	-	71,419			-	40,379
	Amounts falling due after 1 year	-	2,500			-	2,500
	Fund balance	<u>- 48,467</u>	<u>4,709</u>	<u>77,163</u>	<u>166,867</u>	<u>200,272</u>	<u>212,314</u>

**PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
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Year Ended 31st December 2023**

<u>Restricted Funds</u>	Fabric Fund	Major Repairs Toilets	Bridewell Fund	Bell Fund	Church yard	Bold Chapel	Cross	Friends re toilets	Total
Opening Bal per a/c	1,892	23,715	325	915	281	6,283	-	36,240	69,652
Receipts	600	10,092		88	520		1,464	5,264	18,029
Inter A/c Transfers	-	25,000						25,000	-
Transfer General Fund									
	2,492	8,807	325	1,003	801	6,283	1,464	66,504	87,681
Payments	-	888	-	7,548	-	1,222		538	-
Inter A/c Transfers	-	1,000	6,283	1,000		6,283		-	-
Y/E Closing Balances	604	7,542	103	1,003	264	-	1,464	66,183	77,163

<u>Designated Funds</u>	Choir Fund	Flower Fund	Bold	Baptism	Heating Grant	Loans To repay	Total
Opening Balances	796	531		354	700		2,381
Receipts	75	700			750		Err:522
Inter Account Transfer General funds						1,500	Err:522
	871	1,231	-	354	1,450	1,500	5,406
Payments	-	127	-	571			Err:522
Closing Blances	744	660	-	354	1,450	1,500	Err:522

Independent examiner's report to the PCC of ST LUKE'S, FARNWORTH, WIDNES

Report to the Parochial Church Council (PCC) of St. Luke's, Farnworth on the accounts for the year end 31 December 2023, as set out on pages 1 to 7 of Appendix 1 of your Annual Report.

Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the examiner

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

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 all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the Act and the Regulations have not been met.

- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: _____
Mrs N Hague FCA

Date: 9th October 2024

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Accounts

Parish of St. Luke Farnworth with Cronton Mission

Annual Trustees Report of the Parochial Church Council for 2022

Range of Services and Activities for young and old



Our Mission Statement

“We strive to live by faith, to be known by love and to connect people to Jesus and one another”.

Our Vision

God’s love is to

Learn from each other

Outreach to all in our community

Vitalise personal growth and discipleship

Ensure all feel welcome and encourage belonging

Team Rector Reverend Bob Pearson

Yours sincerely **Local Ministers** Sue Smither, Clare Liptrott and Lesley Firth

Wardens Barry Horabin, Pat Johnson, Rob Leech and Colleen Harper

Web site St-luke.co.uk

Name Surname
Title

St. Luke’s church
Pit Lane Farnworth
Widnes WA8 9HU

Cronton Mission Church
held in Cronton School
Smithy Lane Widnes WA8 5DF

1.AIMS and PURPOSES

The most important aim is working with Team Rector Reverend Bob, our minister, to promote in the parish the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament.

Legally, the PCC is responsible for the financial affairs of the church parish and the maintenance of the building, the Bridewell and the churchyard, and for promoting the mission of the church.

Reverend Lyn, Team Vicar retired in November, so Team Rector Reverend Bob supported by our Lay Readers now has to oversee three congregations – St Luke’s church, St Ambrose and Cronton Mission church. Help has been offered by Archdeacon Simon, Area Dean, Peter and lay readers across Widnes.

Our main purpose is to provide a church family within which people can grow as Christians and help one another and the community around us and to maintain the church building for generations to come. At present fund raising is underway to be able to apply for grants to provide toilets and a kitchen in church to make the building fit for purpose.

2. OBJECTIVES and ACTIVITIES

Reintroduce whole school service at St Luke’s for Cronton CE children

Clare to take over leading the Ethos group at Cronton CE and provide a link to Cronton Mission through leading café style worship monthly.

Objectives for 2023

a) MISSION and MINISTRY

To produce a welcome slideshow promoting services and events to be shown before services.

To use technology to help us to outreach & interact with a wider and more diverse population.

To work towards Net Zero as directed by the Diocese and improve on our first step towards

this directive which is the elimination of the use of paper - 10.30am services and baptism

services are presented on the screen. To assist us in this action a presentation will be given

in a 10.30am service and advice will be requested from the Diocese.

To appoint Lay Reader Clare as leader of the Ethos group at Cronton CE School and provide a link to Cronton Mission through leading café style worship monthly.

b) CHILDREN’S and YOUNG PEOPLE’S MINISTRY

To encourage children and adults to consider confirmation.

To be involved in the Diocesan ‘Growing Faith Adventure’ which is to be launched in October and replaces the Child Friendly Award.

To continue the tradition of crowning a Rose Queen who is a member of Sunday Club by holding a special event.

To reintroduce whole-school service at St Luke’s for Cronton CE School children.

c) OCCASIONAL / PASTORAL SERVICES

To hold a Blue service in the period before Christmas.

d) FESTIVALS

To explore innovative ideas to promote Easter and Harvest festivals.

To introduce Remembering Festival Experience for school children and church families.

e) MAKE A BIGGER DIFFERENCE

To hold Bring One Friend and Back to Church Sundays.

To support a local charity for a year.

To hold Lent lunches.

f) RULE of LIFE

To hold a bible study/prayer group.

To continue to promote the Parish Giving Scheme across the church and Mission.

To inform the congregation at Cronton Café Style of the need to support the ministry to promote Outreach and pastoral care there through regular giving.

To provide a 'Good Box' permanently at Cronton Mission for online giving.

To hold a service of thanksgiving for volunteers (every 2 years).

g) PLANTING NEW CONGREGATIONS

To take the church to the people with continued involvement by our Lay Reader with the Scout and Guide group who visit church and are involved in services.

h) CONSERVATION PROJECT

To encourage educational use of the churchyard.

To create an 'eco' group to promote our natural and cultural heritage and the importance of God's world by setting up a 'Community Sow and Grow' initiative.

Review of 2022 Objectives

a) MISSION and MINISTRY

Services 10.30am on Sundays on Zoom as people who are infirm or ill are not excluded.

Open Door Wednesday promoted to the wider community via posters, Facebook and website.

b) CHILDREN'S and YOUNG PEOPLE'S MINISTRY

JAM Club and services for children have been promoted on WhatsApp, Facebook, our website and by text marketer to result in an increase in attendance.

Sunday Club children took part in several services - Mothering Sunday, Harvest, Remembrance Day and Advent and provided crafts to display in church for these festivals, as well as a nativity performance at Christmas.

Welcome and Leavers services for children from local schools have taken place as well as Christmas performances by Farnworth and Lunt's Heath schools.

Our Lay Reader has led church historic tours for the local schools, and more are planned.

Cronton School Ethos group led termly Café Style worship at Cronton Mission.

Despite the Cronton Sixth Form College having their own theatre they love the atmosphere and acoustics that church offers so continue to perform in church for us.

c) OCCASIONAL / PASTORAL SERVICES

OPEN DOOR SATURDAY monthly drop-in for fellowship and prayer is enjoyed by those who attend, and attendance is growing.

d) FESTIVALS

SERMONS on PARISH GIVING SCHEME worked with the Diocesan Giving team to increase uptake.

e) MAKE A BIGGER DIFFERENCE

ADVENT LUNCHES held in church to encourage the community to come into church.

M.U. MEETINGS now held in church to provide a spiritual experience.

FOLLOW the STAR initiative from the Diocese was followed at Christmas. Stars in homes and an amazing display in church thanks to our Flower Arranging team, wardens, Sunday Club and children from Farnworth School. We are grateful for local shopkeepers Stuart and Val Anderson's organisation of poppies and stars, etc decorating streetlamps in the area, reinforcing the bond between school, church and the community. This has continued into 2023 with egg drawings for Easter and decorations for the Coronation.

f) RULE of LIFE

DISPLAY of DOVES in Bold Chapel provided a peaceful place for prayer and the

opportunity to write a prayer on a dove, the templates for doves had to be reissued to meet the demand. Children from Sunday Club, Jam Club, Farnworth CE and Cronton CE Schools were involved.

g) PLANTING NEW CONGREGATIONS

Continued involvement with local groups via Facebook by our Lay Reader.

h) CONSERVATION PROJECT

CHURCHYARD Thanks to the Justice Department workers who have created an atmosphere which is comforting to grieving visitors. Heritage Day treasure hunt was enjoyed by visitors.

Wildflowers in the churchyard provide a habitat for wildlife.

The use and promotion of Fairtrade products was investigated but considered not feasible.

CHURCH BUILDING Thanks to an anonymous benefactor the Gargoyle was reinstated outside Cuerdley Chapel, it had for many years been in the porch. Also, thanks and appreciation to Austin, the stonemason, who worked relentlessly despite the weather to reinstate our Gargoyle and illustrate his undoubted skills as a master craftsman. Gargoyles were added to churches as decoration but if they had an angry face, as ours does they were designed to ward off evil spirits.

4. STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE and MANAGEMENT

STRUCTURE

The general functions of the PCC are stated within section 2 of the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956. There are no other related trusts. The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. Church members registered on the Electoral Roll are eligible to stand for election to the PCC. The PCC operates two subcommittees: The Standing Committee and Friends of St Luke Farnworth. PCC members are CRB checked and receive Health & Safety and Safeguarding training.

Mothers' Union is a charitable trust. Its membership includes people from St Luke's, St Ambrose's and St John's churches. The Widnes Deanery Trustee is also a churchwarden at St Luke's and keeps in regular contact with members at St Michael's & St Thomas's Church.

GOVERNANCE

PCC show leadership to make good use of the funds and resources with a focus on achieving the desired outcomes, and make sure the charity follows the law, produces policies and, where issues arise, that these are dealt with quickly. Potential risks are considered, and progress is monitored, making changes when necessary.

**SAFEGUARDING OFFICER & LEAD RECRUITER Margaret Campbell
07376112836**

Safeguarding Officer for Cronton and Deputy Recruiter for Cronton is Debbie Doyle. Deputy Recruiter for St Luke's church is Lynn Keeling. Safeguarding is of vital importance, to St Luke's and Cronton Mission. We need to be welcoming but also a safe place. We, therefore, follow the Diocese of Liverpool Safer Recruitment Practice Guidance 2016. This refers to the whole recruitment process for volunteers and paid workers.

GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATION

All the congregation's information is stored in a safe place, privacy is respected, and personal information is not shared with other organisations.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

The Churchwardens are totally committed to all aspects of Health & Safety. If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact them.

MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES

The PCC operates under a mature system of controls and procedures developed over many years of operation. Finance and operational issues are routinely monitored as part of regular PCC meetings. When planning activities for the year, the PCC considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, in particular the specific guidance to charities concerned with advancement of religion.

BUDGET - An annual budget is prepared to monitor short-term viability. Actual results compared with budget are reported to the PCC quarterly. The investments are reviewed. All assets are insured.

RESERVES POLICY - No charity can operate for any length of time without reserves. The available reserves are low, so a major effort will be needed to re-build reserves to a working level, and to re-build a contingency for future maintenance costs.

CONTINGENCY PLANS - The Scout and Guide building can be used for services in the event of the Church becoming unusable for a limited period.

ELECTORAL ROLL - 163 on the 2022 roll. (New roll in 2025)

5. ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Team Administrator Lesley Howell 07399784219

eastwidnesteam.2942@gmail.com

www.st-luke.co.uk

Charity Number 1133042 Parish number 744

Bankers

Barclays Bank

Legal Advisor

Hill Dickinson & Co LLP

Independent Examiner

Nadia Hague FCA Vanguard Accountancy Ltd, Liverpool

Architect

Alex Finlason Pickard Finlason Beech House

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

PCC members	Position	Until
Reverend Bob Pearson	Team Rector ex-officio	
Reverend Lyn Mclver	Team Vicar ex-officio retired October 2022	
Barry Horabin	Warden 2016 & Deanery Synod ex-officio	2023
Pat Johnson	Warden 2018 & Deanery Synod ex-officio	2023
Rob Leech	Warden 2020 ex-officio	2023
Colleen Harper	Warden 2020 ex-officio	2023
Lesley Runcorn	Deanery Synod ex-officio	2023
Yvonne Horabin	Deanery Synod ex-officio & Treasurer	2023
	ed Join	
Sandra Vanezis	Eco Officer 2021	2025
Alma Marshall	Baptism Assistant 2012	2025
Margaret Campbell	Safeguarding Officer 2018	2025
Jeff Evans	Reader in church 2020	2025
Lynn Keeling	Sunday Club Leader 2000	2023
Sue Smither	Lay Minister 2019	2023
Barry Ingram	Deputy Warden 2020	2023

Deborah Doyle	Cronton 2020	representative	2023
Clare Liptrott	Lay 2019	Minister	2024
Gail Beswick	Baptism 2000	Assistant	2024
Dorothy Lightfoot	Children's 2000	Society	2024
Malcolm French	H & S (co-option) resigned 23/02/2023 2022		2024
Sandra Lacey	Secretary 2000	(co-option)	2023

CHURCH GROUPS

Bell Ringers	Tuesday practice 6.30pm Nigel 01514953894
Bridewell Bookings	Barry 01514232492 available for hire by small groups.
Churchyard working party	Monday 9.30am to 12.30pm. Barry 01514249887
Choir	Thursdays practice 6.15pm Director of Music Paul Delaney 07778042553
Church Cleaning group	Wednesdays and as required. Yvonne 01514249887
Flower Arranging team 01514231759	Wednesday & Friday mornings. Lesley
Friends of St Luke's Church	contact Barry Horabin
Mothers' Union M.U.	Second Wednesday of each month, 7.30pm in church Colleen 07946 389162
Open Door Wednesday	10am to 4pm
Open Door Saturday	1.30pm to 3.30pm Games Galore Pat 01512577737 First of each month, 10am to 11.30am. Join us for coffee, fellowship and prayer Sue 07962012916
Parish Review	farnworthreview@yahoo.co.uk Philip 07710030973
Sunday Club	10.30am in the Bridewell Lynn 01514243142
Uniformed Organisations	Clare Liptrott 07976549410

6.FINANCE

a)FINANCIAL REVIEW

The funds of the church are, in the main, made up of three sections:

1. Endowment Fund - Generally, only the interest is available for the PCC's use, not the capital. There have been NO withdrawals from Investments.
2. Restricted and Designated funds - This is for monies for specific purposes, i.e., Major Repairs, Bridewell etc.
3. General Fund - This covers the income and expenditure of the day to day running costs of the church which this year resulted in a small deficit of £2,370, which was purely as a result of non recoverable gift aid tax credits being written off. There was a grant received from church commissioners in the year of £33,270 to cover the outstanding parish share from 2021 of £26000 and the remaining £7270 towards £2022 parish share, however we still owe £26000 to the diocese for parish share at the end of the accounting year, which is going to be difficult to repay as well as the current years amount. The 2023 parish share has been reduced by £12,000 from £84,000 to £72,000.

A further £2000 was received towards heating and lighting costs of which £1300 has been allocated to 2022 and the remaining £700 carried forward to 2023

The Income from Regular givers this year has continued to drop, although people using the Parish giving scheme has increased , mainly with regular givers changing

from giving by envelopes and standing orders rather than from new regular givers Balances @ 31/12/2022 - Endowment Funds £152553, down by over £20,000 due to fall in stock market, Restricted funds £69,652, which is mainly for the church toilets project which has been boosted this year by a generous donation of £25,000 from Abbeyfield Ltd .Designated funds £2,381 and General Fund a deficit of **£12,272.**

Charitable Giving

Children's Society - £454 from Christingles

Christian Aid - people were encouraged to donate direct to Christian Aid.

Foodbank - As well as food donations on a regular basis and at special services such as Harvest. Farnworth School and Cronton School continue to support Foodbank.

Toy Service - the response from the congregation, the schools and the community donating toys, gifts and toiletries for the Trinity Kings Cross Appeal was overwhelming.

b) ACCOUNTS

The church's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The church's

trustees consider that an audit is required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

This report was approved at a meeting of PCC members on 24th April 2023. If you spot any

mistakes, please contact PCC Secretary 07761672030 sandralacey47@yahoo.co.uk so amendments can be made before the report goes to the Diocese and the Charity' Commission.

Parish Details

PCC Name	<u>ST LUKE'S, FARNWORTH, WIDNES</u>
Year	<u>2022</u>
Name of signature 1 on accounts:	<u>Rev ROBERT PEARSON</u>
Name of signature 2 on accounts	<u>YVONNE HORABIN</u>
Name of Independent Examiner	<u>Vanguard Accountancy Limited</u> <u>Liverpool</u>
Professional Qualifications of Independent Examiner	<u>Chartered Accountant</u>
Date of Accounts approval by PCC	<u>11/12/2023</u>
Date of Independent Examiner's Report	<u>11/12/2023</u>

**PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
ST LUKE'S, FARNWORTH, WIDNES
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
For the year ended 31 December 2022**

	Note	General Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted		TOTAL FUNDS	
				Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	2022 £	2021 £
INCOMING RESOURCES							
Voluntary Income	2(a)	91,403.26	1,485.00	64,119.01		157,007.27	92,019.24
Activities for generating funds	2(b)	1,017.99				1,017.99	654.00
Income from investments	2(c)	6,505.89			29.57	6,535.46	6,411.47
Church activities	2(d)	17,734.00				17,734.00	12,635.00
Other incoming resources	2(e)						
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		116,661.14	1,485.00	64,119.01	29.57	182,294.72	111,719.71
RESOURCES USED							
Church Activities	3(a)	117,640.87	545.80	10,927.27		129,113.94	120,066.15
Costs of generating voluntary income	3(b)	328.62				328.62	140.93
Fund-raising trading costs	3(c)	62.00				62.00	68.00
Governance costs	3(d)	1,000.00				1,000.00	1,000.00
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		119,031.49	545.80	10,927.27	-	130,504.56	121,275.08
NET INCOMING (OUTGOING) RESOURCES BEFORE OTHER RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES							
		- 2,370.35	939.20	53,191.74	29.57	51,790.16	- 9,555.37
Gains or losses on investment assets on disposal	5(b)						
on revaluation	5(b)				- 20,374.94	- 20,374.94	20,499.92
Transfers between funds			- 500.00	500.00		-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		- 2,370.35	439.20	53,691.74	- 20,345.37	31,415.22	10,944.55
Balances b/fwd at 1st January 2022		- 9,901.45	1,942.05	15,959.97	172,898.36	180,898.93	169,954.38
Balances c/fwd at 31st December 2022		- 12,271.80	2,381.25	69,651.71	152,552.99	212,314.15	180,898.93

The notes on pages 3 to 7 form part of these accounts

**PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
ST LUKE'S, FARNWORTH, WIDNES
BALANCE SHEET
At 31 December 2022**

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	Note	2022 £	2021 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible	5(a)		
Investment	5(b)	152,552.99	172,898.36
		152,552.99	172,898.36
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stock			
Debtors	6	28,835.42	43,592.53
Short term deposits			
Cash at bank and in hand		73,804.25	21,474.54
		102,639.67	65,067.07
LIABILITIES			
Creditors - amounts falling due in one year	7	- 40,378.51	- 57,066.50
		62,261.16	8,000.57
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES			
		214,814.15	180,898.93
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors - amounts falling due after one year	7	- 2,500.00	
		212,314.15	180,898.93
TOTAL NET ASSETS			
PARISH FUNDS			
Unrestricted		- 12,271.80	- 9,901.45
Designated		2,381.25	1,942.05
Restricted	8	69,651.71	15,959.97
Endowment	8	152,552.99	172,898.36
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					2022 £	2021 £
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Planned Giving: Gift Aid donations	15,627.60				15,627.60	17,398.61
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Gift Days						-
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Special appeals						-
Legacies						-
	91,403.26	1,485.00	64,119.01		157,007.27	92,019.24
2b Activities for Generating Funds						
Bookstall for fundraising						-
Hall Lettings for non-church purposes						
Rummage sales, fetes, etc.	1,017.99				1,017.99	654.00
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2c Income from Investments						
Dividends and Interest including tax recoverable	4,505.89			29.57	4,535.46	4,411.47
Rent from land or buildings held as an investment	2,000.00				2,000.00	2,000.00
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Bookstall for promoting church objectives						
Magazine income from sales	1,618.50				1,618.50	1,747.00
PCC Fees	16,115.50				16,115.50	10,888.00
	17,734.00				17,734.00	12,635.00
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Surplus on sale of fixed assets						-
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**PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
ST LUKE'S, FARNWORTH, WIDNES**
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)
For the year ended 31 December 2022

3 RESOURCES EXPENDED

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3(a) Church Activities						
Missionary and charitable giving:						
Overseas missionary societies						
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Home missions and other Church organisations						
Secular organisations						
Parish Share	84,325.00				84,325.00	84,325.00
Working expenses of incumbent EWT	2,800.00				2,800.00	7,132.09
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Heating and lighting, water	3,340.92		995.61		4,336.53	2,574.51
Insurance	6,003.32		979.66		6,982.98	6,735.36
Other costs BT	609.01				609.01	730.08
Depreciation						
Church maintenance	1,875.38				1,875.38	3,243.76
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Upkeep of churchyard	1,083.77				1,083.77	344.12
Printing and other costs of magazine	1,090.12				1,090.12	1,165.82
Bookstall costs						
Parish training and mission						
Education						
Hall running costs						
Hall maintenance						
Major repairs to Church building			8,952.00		8,952.00	
Major repairs to other Church property						
Insurance excess on Church Heating						6,812.38
	117,640.87	545.80	10,927.27	-	129,113.94	120,066.15
3(b) Generation of voluntary income						
Cost of appeals, etc						
Cost of Stewardship envelopes	328.62				328.62	140.93
	328.62	-	-	-	328.62	140.93
3(c) Fundraising trading costs						
Bookstall costs						
Costs of fetes and other events	62.00				62.00	68.00
	62.00	-	-	-	62.00	68.00
3(d) Governance costs						
Independent examiner fee	1,000.00				1,000.00	1,000.00
Cost of PCC meeting						
	1,000.00	-	-	-	1,000.00	1,000.00
Total Resources Expended	119,031.49	545.80	10,927.27	-	130,504.56	121,275.08

4a STAFF COSTS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages and Salaries	14,514	4,858
Social Security Costs	-	-
Pension Costs	-	-
	14,514	4,858

During the year the PCC employed an organist, some monthly payments were large enough to attract social security costs. In 2021 £1,904 was received from HMRC under the Fulough scheme in the year for the organist. None in 2022. Also, payments were made to Retired clergy and Readers for funeral services. The average number of employees during the year was 3 (2021 - 2).

4b PAYMENTS TO PCC MEMBERS

No payments or expenses were paid to any PCC member for their services provided as a PCC member for the year ended 31 December 2022, nor for the year end 31 December 2021.

During the year services were provided by S Smither as an employee of St Lukes Church, in addition to services provided as a PCC member on a voluntary basis. All transactions were on normal commercial terms and the total for the year was £1,958 (2021 - £1,645).

5 FIXED ASSETS

5(a) Tangible

No Capital expenditure was incurred in 2022 (2021 - nil).

5(b) Investments

	2022	2021
	£	£
Market value at 1st January 2022	172,898	152,371
Disposal at carrying value		
Income from investments	30	28
Revaluation gain/(loss)	- 20,375	20,500
	152,553	172,898

6 DEBTORS (unrestricted funds)

	2022	2021
	£	£
Tax recoverable	28,214	42,980
Prepayments and Accrued Interest		
Other Debtors	621	613
	28,835	43,593

7 LIABILITIES

	2022	2021
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year (unrestricted funds)		
Accruals for utilities and other costs	28,379	42,567
Other creditors	12,000	14,500
Loans	40,379	57,067
Amounts falling due after one year		
Loans	2,500.00	-

8 FUNDS

ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets						
Investment fixed assets				152,553	152,553	172,898
Current Assets						
Bank	3,631	2,381	67,792		73,804	21,475
Debtors	26,975		1,860		28,835	43,593
Liabilities						
Amounts falling due within 1 year	- 40,379				-	57,067
Amounts falling due after 1 year	- 2,500				-	2,500
Fund balance	- 12,272	2,381	69,652	152,553	212,314	180,899

**PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
ST LUKE'S, FARNWORTH, WIDNES
Year Ended 31st December 2022**

<u>Restricted Funds</u>	Fabric Fund	Major Repairs	Bridewell Fund	Bell Fund	Church yard	Bold Chapel	Organ Fund	Friends	Total
Opening Bal per a/c	1,036.52	637.51	246.73	870.27	531.16	6,283.00	1,013.40	5,341.38	15,959.97
Receipts	1,570.00	27,877.48	150.00	45.00	250.00		2,015.00	32,211.53	64,119.01
Inter A/c Transfers	1,009.00							- 1,009.00	-
Transfer General Fund	3,615.52	28,514.99	396.73	915.27	781.16	6,283.00	3,028.40	36,543.91	80,078.98
Payments		- 4,800.00	- 1,671.61				- 4,152.00	- 303.66	- 10,927.27
Inter A/c Transfers	- 1,723.60		1,600.00		- 500.00		1,123.60		500.00
Y/E Closing Balances	1,891.92	23,714.99	325.12	915.27	281.16	6,283.00	-	36,240.25	69,651.71

<u>Designated Funds</u>	Choir Fund	Flower Fund	Bold	Baptism	Heating Grant	Total
Opening Balances	781.01	806.72	-	354.32		1,942.05
Receipts	125.00	660.00			700.00	1,485.00
Inter Account Transfer restricted funds		-500.00				-500.00
	906.01	966.72	-	354.32	700.00	2,927.05
Payments	-110.00	-435.80				-545.80
Closing Balances	796.01	530.92	-	354.32	700.00	2,381.25

Independent examiner's report to the PCC of ST LUKE'S, FARNWORTH, WIDNES

Report to the Parochial Church Council (PCC) of St. Luke's, Farnworth on the accounts for the year end 31 December 2022, as set out on pages 1 to 7 of Appendix 1 of your Annual Report.

Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the examiner

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

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 all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
- to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the Act and the Regulations
have not been met.

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: _____
Mrs N Hague FCA

Date: 11 December 2023

Parish Details

PCC Name	<u>ST LUKE'S, FARNWORTH, WIDNES</u>
Year	<u>2022</u>
Name of signature 1 on accounts:	<u>Rev ROBERT PEARSON</u>
Name of signature 2 on accounts	<u>YVONNE HORABIN</u>
Name of Independent Examiner	<u>Vanguard Accountancy Limited</u> <u>Liverpool</u>
Professional Qualifications of Independent Examiner	<u>Chartered Accountant</u>
Date of Accounts approval by PCC	<u>11/12/2023</u>
Date of Independent Examiner's Report	<u>11/12/2023</u>

**PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
ST LUKE'S, FARNWORTH, WIDNES
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
For the year ended 31 December 2022**

	Note	General Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted		TOTAL FUNDS	
				Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	2022 £	2021 £
INCOMING RESOURCES							
Voluntary Income	2(a)	91,403.26	1,485.00	64,119.01		157,007.27	92,019.24
Activities for generating funds	2(b)	1,017.99				1,017.99	654.00
Income from investments	2(c)	6,505.89			29.57	6,535.46	6,411.47
Church activities	2(d)	17,734.00				17,734.00	12,635.00
Other incoming resources	2(e)						
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		116,661.14	1,485.00	64,119.01	29.57	182,294.72	111,719.71
RESOURCES USED							
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NET INCOMING (OUTGOING) RESOURCES BEFORE OTHER RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES							
		- 2,370.35	939.20	53,191.74	29.57	51,790.16	- 9,555.37
Gains or losses on investment assets on disposal	5(b)						
on revaluation	5(b)				- 20,374.94	- 20,374.94	20,499.92
Transfers between funds			- 500.00	500.00		-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		- 2,370.35	439.20	53,691.74	- 20,345.37	31,415.22	10,944.55
Balances b/fwd at 1st January 2022		- 9,901.45	1,942.05	15,959.97	172,898.36	180,898.93	169,954.38
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BALANCE SHEET
At 31 December 2022**

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Hall running costs						
Hall maintenance						
Major repairs to Church building			8,952.00		8,952.00	
Major repairs to other Church property						
Insurance excess on Church Heating						6,812.38
	117,640.87	545.80	10,927.27	-	129,113.94	120,066.15
3(b) Generation of voluntary income						
Cost of appeals, etc						
Cost of Stewardship envelopes	328.62				328.62	140.93
	328.62	-	-	-	328.62	140.93
3(c) Fundraising trading costs						
Bookstall costs						
Costs of fetes and other events	62.00				62.00	68.00
	62.00	-	-	-	62.00	68.00
3(d) Governance costs						
Independent examiner fee	1,000.00				1,000.00	1,000.00
Cost of PCC meeting						
	1,000.00	-	-	-	1,000.00	1,000.00
Total Resources Expended	119,031.49	545.80	10,927.27	-	130,504.56	121,275.08

4a STAFF COSTS

	2022 £	2021 £
Wages and Salaries	14,514	4,858
Social Security Costs	-	-
Pension Costs	-	-
	<u>14,514</u>	<u>4,858</u>

During the year the PCC employed an organist, some monthly payments were large enough to attract social security costs. In 2021 £1,904 was received from HMRC under the Fulough scheme in the year for the organist. None in 2022. Also, payments were made to Retired clergy and Readers for funeral services. The average number of employees during the year was 3 (2021 - 2).

4b PAYMENTS TO PCC MEMBERS

No payments or expenses were paid to any PCC member for their services provided as a PCC member for the year ended 31 December 2022, nor for the year end 31 December 2021.

During the year services were provided by S Smither as an employee of St Lukes Church, in addition to services provided as a PCC member on a voluntary basis. All transactions were on normal commercial terms and the total for the year was £1,958 (2021 - £1,645).

5 FIXED ASSETS

5(a) Tangible

No Capital expenditure was incurred in 2022 (2021 - nil).

5(b) Investments

	2022 £	2021 £
Market value at 1st January 2022	172,898	152,371
Disposal at carrying value		
Income from investments	30	28
Revaluation gain/(loss)	- 20,375	20,500
	<u>152,553</u>	<u>172,898</u>

6 DEBTORS (unrestricted funds)

	2022 £	2021 £
Tax recoverable	28,214	42,980
Prepayments and Accrued Interest		
Other Debtors	621	613
	<u>28,835</u>	<u>43,593</u>

7 LIABILITIES

	2022 £	2021 £
Amounts falling due within one year (unrestricted funds)		
Accruals for utilities and other costs	28,379	42,567
Other creditors	12,000	14,500
Loans	<u>40,379</u>	<u>57,067</u>
Amounts falling due after one year		
Loans	<u>2,500.00</u>	<u>-</u>

8 FUNDS

ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Tangible fixed assets						
Investment fixed assets				152,553	152,553	172,898
Current Assets						
Bank	3,631	2,381	67,792		73,804	21,475
Debtors	26,975		1,860		28,835	43,593
Liabilities						
Amounts falling due within 1 year	- 40,379				- 40,379	- 57,067
Amounts falling due after 1 year	- 2,500				- 2,500	
Fund balance	<u>- 12,272</u>	<u>2,381</u>	<u>69,652</u>	<u>152,553</u>	<u>212,314</u>	<u>180,899</u>

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<u>Restricted Funds</u>	Fabric Fund	Major Repairs	Bridewell Fund	Bell Fund	Church yard	Bold Chapel	Organ Fund	Friends	Total
Opening Bal per a/c	1,036.52	637.51	246.73	870.27	531.16	6,283.00	1,013.40	5,341.38	15,959.97
Receipts	1,570.00	27,877.48	150.00	45.00	250.00		2,015.00	32,211.53	64,119.01
Inter A/c Transfers	1,009.00							- 1,009.00	-
Transfer General Fund									
	3,615.52	28,514.99	396.73	915.27	781.16	6,283.00	3,028.40	36,543.91	80,078.98
Payments		- 4,800.00	- 1,671.61				- 4,152.00	- 303.66	- 10,927.27
Inter A/c Transfers	- 1,723.60		1,600.00		- 500.00		1,123.60		500.00
Y/E Closing Balances	1,891.92	23,714.99	325.12	915.27	281.16	6,283.00	-	36,240.25	69,651.71

<u>Designated Funds</u>	Choir Fund	Flower Fund	Bold	Baptism	Heating Grant	Total
Opening Balances	781.01	806.72	-	354.32		1,942.05
Receipts	125.00	660.00			700.00	1,485.00
Inter Account Transfer restricted funds		-500.00				-500.00
	906.01	966.72	-	354.32	700.00	2,927.05
Payments	-110.00	-435.80				-545.80
Closing Balances	796.01	530.92	-	354.32	700.00	2,381.25

Independent examiner's report to the PCC of ST LUKE'S, FARNWORTH, WIDNES

Report to the Parochial Church Council (PCC) of St. Luke's, Farnworth on the accounts for the year end 31 December 2022, as set out on pages 1 to 7 of Appendix 1 of your Annual Report.

Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the examiner

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

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 all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
- to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the Act and the Regulations
have not been met.

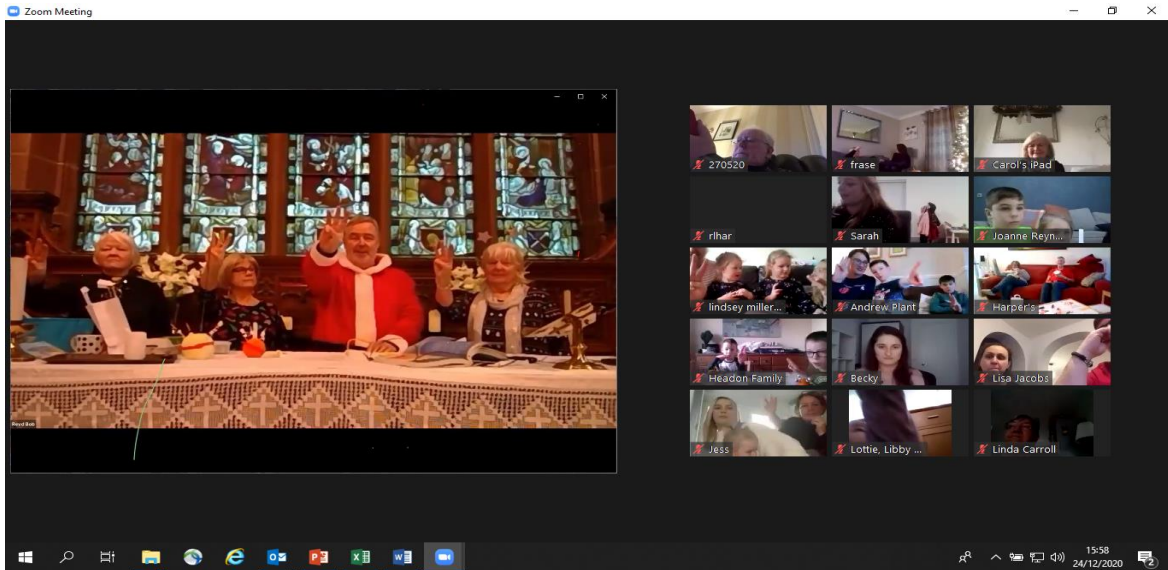
(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: _____
Mrs N Hague FCA

Date: 11 December 2023

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Parish of St. Luke Farnworth with Cronton Mission Annual Trustees Report of the Parochial Church Council for 2020



Our Mission Statement

"We strive to live by faith, to be known by love and to connect people to Jesus and one another".

Our Vision

***God's love is Learn from each other
 Outreach to all in our community
 Vitalise personal growth and discipleship
 Ensure all feel welcome and encourage belonging***

Team Rector Reverend Bob Pearson

Team Vicar Reverend Lyn McIver

Local Missional Leader (Cronton) Lesley Wright

Lay Readers Sue Smither and Clare Liptrott

Web site St-luke.co.uk

1. INTRODUCTION

The restrictions of the pandemic meant church had to close after the service on 15th March. Unfortunately, the Mothering Sunday service planned for 22nd March was cancelled. The last fund-raising event for the year was the Rose Queen Quiz on Friday 13th March at Widnes Cricket Club which was enjoyed by all present, thanks to Lynn and Alan Keeling for organising this popular evening.

On Wednesday 27th May Rev'd Bob led our first Morning Prayer by Zoom and little did we know that this way of communicating would become invaluable as government restrictions and advice from the Diocese closed our church throughout the year. Even when services were held in church they were also 'Zoomed' so all people had the opportunity to worship. Communication with our congregation, our local community and further afield became more important. Our website was updated weekly to keep people informed of services. Photographs from services were uploaded and videos taken by Alison Pearson of inside the church and in the churchyard were also uploaded. The Contact Us facility provided a point of contact to make an enquiry. Text Marketer was used successfully to keep in touch with members of Toddler church and Messy church, as unfortunately the groups could only meet virtually. Our parish magazine which is distributed bi-monthly thanks to a dedicated band of deliverers was also circulated by email and was on the church website. This outreach kept people informed of the important matters affecting our church and articles that helped to develop our knowledge and trust in Jesus.

Children, the future generation of worshippers, are important to us and were welcomed at Zoom services. Thanks to our Lay Reader Clare assisted by Rev'd Bob, Rev'd Lyn and Lay Reader Sue the Christingle services was 'Zoomed' and the families enjoyed the interaction especially the 'sparks'.

Worship at Cronton Mission also stopped in March, so Sunday School did not meet after the closure. Families from Cronton joined services at St. Luke's church on Zoom. It is hoped to provide online activities for children to complete and share on Zoom and set up a Whatsapp group to keep in touch with Cronton parishioners. Due to the pandemic Rev'd Bob has used Zoom since March for collective worship in school to maintain the links and the children have adapted well to worship on Zoom. The mission has a third party use agreement with school for use of the building, this replaced the energy contribution several years ago (there have been no payments this year).

Unfortunately, the provision of more space at the back of church was not utilised as we had wished, because of the restrictions on social distancing. The Faculty for the installation of toilets and a kitchenette was finally approved but is now on hold. Eventually we will re-launch the Friends of Farnworth Church and a Final Roof and Restoration Appeal to complete the outstanding work on the roofs of Bold Chapel and the Nave, as well as restoration of the Bell Tower and have a church which will last well into the next Century. This will require a great deal of support from not only the congregation but also the wider public. We do hope you will join us in this Appeal and be part of the future of this wonderful building.

Remember **THE PAST IS OUR INHERITANCE, THE FUTURE OUR RESPONSIBILITY.**

2. AIMS and PURPOSE

The first and most important aim of the St Luke's Church with Cronton Mission Parochial Church Council (PCC) is working with Rev'd Bob Pearson, our minister, to promote in the parish the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that live within our parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament.

Legally, the PCC is responsible for the financial affairs of the church parish and the maintenance of the building, the Bridewell and the churchyard, and for promoting the mission of the church.

Our purpose is to provide a church family within which people can grow as Christians and help one another and the community around us with the many problems faced by individuals.

Safeguarding is of paramount importance to us. Our Safeguarding Officer ensures that we follow Diocesan Guidelines diligently ensuring that all necessary checks are made on church members and staff who work with children and vulnerable adults; we aim to promote the best possible safeguarding culture.

3. OBJECTIVES for 2021

St. Luke's church

Owing to the pandemic, despite having a calendar of services and events planned only the following objectives were achieved:

- To use the screen to promote church services and events.

- To continually review our Risk Assessment as necessary to ensure church is a safe environment for worship in the present situation re pandemic restrictions.

- To promote our website at every opportunity.

- To hold a Toy Service at the All Age Worship service in November.

The other objectives will become objectives for 2021:

- To hold Bring One Friend and Back to Church Sundays.

- To organise a Giving in Grace Stewardship appeal.

- To revise the Baptism service.

- To provide more services for the bereaved and lonely people.

- To improve the welcome to church and update our 'Church near You' entry.

- To make the Toy Service at the All Age Worship service in November an annual event.

- To continue to use Zoom to take church into the home.

- To use Zoom to hold events such as a quiz.

Cronton Mission

Due to the pandemic restrictions the following objectives were not achieved and will become the objectives for 2021.

- To facilitate the community to be self supporting in taking over the drop in sessions.

- To further develop links with Cronton CE Primary School through provision of weekly collective worship in school and joint services, the work of foundation governors in strategic school decisions to ensure continued outstanding education provision,

Christian distinctiveness and work with school staff in preparation for SIAMS inspection.

To take part in *Giving in Grace Stewardship Appeal*

To continue to incorporate *The Rule of Life and Bigger Church*, bigger difference into *Café Church*

4. FINANCIAL REVIEW Yvonne Horabin

St. Luke's church

The funds of the church are, in the main, made up of three sections:

1. **Endowment Fund** - Generally, only the interest is available for the PCC's use, not the capital. However, there were 2 deposit accounts in that fund which have been closed - £3174, of which £2300 was transferred to Major repairs in Restricted funds and the balance of £874 to the General fund

2. **Restricted and Designated funds** - This is for monies for specific purposes, i.e., Major Repairs, Bridewell etc. it also included £25,299 for Mission and Growth, which initially was the money received from the Diocese from the sale of the vicarage and land. However, this has had to be transferred to the General fund to cover the shortfall in income, because of the pandemic, to pay the Parish share. Originally this money was to be used to buy kitchen equipment and more furniture for the rear of the church once the installation of the toilets and kitchen has been done. More fundraising will now be required to do this.

3. **General Fund** - This covers the income and expenditure of the day to day running costs of the church which have been running at an exceptionally large deficit again this year of £27895. This deficit is before the transfer of the monies from the Restricted Fund above of £25299 and £874 from the Endowment Funds.

Balances @ 31/12/2020 - Endowment Funds £152,370, Restricted funds £11,018, Designated funds £2,102 and General Fund £4,463.

Cronton Mission

All the figures below are included with the main income and expenditure

Total receipts were £2,025.74:

Collections of cash and through the envelope scheme £465.74 Standing orders - £1,560

Fundraising - £0 and Funeral Income £0 Eligible tax reclaim - £ 500

Total payments were £105.24:

Direct petty cash - £27.24

upkeep of services School energy contribution - £0 (third party use agreement with school for use of the building, this replaced the energy contribution several years ago)

Readers licence - £0 CCLI, copyright cost for use of CD recordings - £78

Charitable Giving The following donations were made:

Children's Society - As the Christingle was held online, people attending the Zoom service were asked to make donations on line to the Children's Society.

Christian Aid - Due to the pandemic restrictions, no fund raising was possible for Christian Aid. Details were distributed asking people to donate direct to Christian Aid.

Ignite - This group has now disbanded and has been incorporated within Transform Widnes. .

Foodbank – As well as regular food donations to Foodbank (thanks to Barry Ingram for taking items to Foodbank) and the Widnes Changing Lives House (thanks to Dorothy Lightfoot for being the Link person) on a regular basis, appeals for specific items such as the new toys for the Toy Appeal were posted on the website and on Facebook, circulated to schools and published in the magazine. Parents and children from Farnworth School and Cronton School continued to support Foodbank.

Toy Service – new initiative for 2020 which will now be an annual event. The generosity of people donating toys for the Trinity Kings Cross Appeal was over whelming.

5. STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE and MANAGEMENT

The general functions of the PCC are stated within section 2 of the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956. There are no other related trusts.

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church members are registered on the Electoral Roll and therefore eligible to stand for election to the PCC. The PCC operates two subcommittees: The Standing Committee and Friends of St Luke Farnworth. PCC members receive Health and Safety training and are CRB checked. Other training includes trustee responsibilities, risk assessment and safeguarding procedures.

Safeguarding policies are displayed in St Luke's church, the Bridewell, at Cronton Mission and on the church website. The policies are reviewed annually and agreed and signed at the first PCC meeting after APCM. Health and Safety policies are reviewed annually and displayed in church and on the website. The Churchyard policies re reservation of a plot and Diocesan guidelines are displayed in church and on our website. The PCC operates under a mature system of controls and procedures developed over many years of operation. Finance and operational issues are routinely monitored as part of regular PCC meetings.

When planning activities for the year, the PCC considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, in particular, the specific guidance to charities concerned with advancement of religion.

An annual budget is prepared to monitor short term viability. Actual results compared with budget are reported to the PCC quarterly. The investments held by the PCC are reviewed by the Standing Committee. All assets are insured, and levels reviewed and approved by the PCC.

Plans have been agreed with Farnworth School for services to be held in the school hall in the event of the Church becoming unusable for a limited period. Geographically there is little or no experiences of terrorist activity in any Churches and the risk rating of any problems in this subject area is very low, but as a place of worship open and welcoming to all vigilance is paramount at all times.

Reserves Policy – No charity can operate for any length of time without reserves. There are low available reserves, so a major effort will be needed to re-build reserves to a working level, say a minimum of six months costs (minimum £50,000) and to re-build a contingency for future maintenance costs.

Electoral Roll – 157 on the 2020 roll. (new roll in 2025)

6. ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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Charity Number 1133042 Parish number 744

Bankers

Barclays Bank

Legal Advisor

Hill Dickinson & Co LLP

Independent Examiner

Nadia Hague FCA Vanguard Accountancy Ltd, Liverpool

Architect

Alex Finlason Pickard Finlason Beech House

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish, including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. New members receive initial training into the work and roles and responsibilities of the PCC.

PCC members	Position	Until	
Reverend Bob Pearson	Team Rector ex-officio		
Reverend Lyn McIver	Team Vicar ex-officio		
Barry Horabin	Warden 2016 ex-officio Project Manager, Funeral Verger, H&S, Deanery Synod & Chair of Friends	2021	
Pat Johnson	Warden 2018 ex-officio Funeral Verger, Deanery Synod & H&S	2021	
Rob Leech	Warden 2020 Oct ex-officio Website Facilitator	2021	
Colleen Harper	Warden 2020 Oct ex-officio Funeral Verger & H&S	2021	
Lesley Runcorn	Deanery Synod ex-officio, Flower Arranger leader & Cathedral representative	2021	
Yvonne Horabin	Deanery Synod ex-officio, Treasurer & Wedding Verger	2021	
Reverend Bob Pearson	Deanery Mission & Pastoral committee	2021	
Clare Liptrott	Lay Reader	2021	
Gail Beswick	Sides people contact	2021	
Dorothy Lightfoot	Children's Society	2021	
Lesley Firth	LML Cronton	2021	
Sandra Lacey	Secretary & Electoral Roll Officer	2022	
Alma Marshall	Baptism Assistant	2022	
Margaret Campbell	Safeguarding Officer & Wedding Verger	2022	
Jeff Evans	Asst Treasurer	2022	
Lynn Keeling	Sunday Club Leader	2023	
Sue Smither	Lay Reader	2023	
Barry Ingram	Deputy Warden, Lay Chair & Foodbank	2023	
Deborah Doyle	Cronton representative	2023	
Cronton Mission Committee Members			
Lesley Firth LML	Chair	Rota Monitor	Chair
Vacancy	Secretary	Barry Ingram	Vice Chair
Denis Bray	Treasurer	Debbie Doyle	PCC & Safeguarding officer
Cherrill Edge			

Worship Attendance Barry Ingram

St Luke's	2017	2018	2019	2020
Sunday 8am average	16	16	14	No services
Sunday 10.30am average	65	62	68	26 (20 Zoom)
Sunday 6.00pm average	14	21	19	No services
Wed 9.30am average	17	16	19	12
Baptisms	38C	56C	53C 4A	17 until March
Baptism monthly average	210A	118A 35C	110A 27C	82A 28C
Confirmation (inc Cronton)	2A	7C	2C	11
Funerals Church	27	27	16	14
Funerals crematorium	13	11	16	?
Weddings	10	11	9	0
Christingle	429	569	663	60 on Zoom
Christmas Eve Midnight	76A	103A	83A	35 (5 Zoom)
Christmas Day 1030am	47A 3C	43A 1C	41A 1C	22A 1C
9 Lessons & Carols	89A 17C	88A 26C	123A 20C	No service
Cronton	2017	2018	2019	2020
Sunday 1030am average	24A 10C	33A 14C	17A 9C	25 until March
Christingle	21A 20C	26A 23C	32A 23C	No service
School Nativity	127A 104C	105A 95C	No record	No service
Christmas Day	No service	31A 13C	No service	No service
Baptisms	4	2	1	0
School Eucharist	100A 120C	100A 120C	No record	No record

These figures were affected by the pandemic.

Giving and Stewardship Barry Ingram

Unfortunately, because of the pandemic and its effect on attendance at church our deficit has been increased. We face a shortfall in income of approximately £200 per week. If all our regular givers increased their giving by £1 or £2 per week this would increase our Gift Aid tax claim, which would reduce the deficit. For more information on giving please contact Barry Ingram.

Gift Aid	2017	2018	2019	2020
Tax reclaim	86	69	53 SO & 27 envelopes	47 SO & 29 envelopes
St Luke's	11	9		6
Cronton			12	
Regular	£8706.50	£6936.82	£9380.21	£4778.84
Yellow	£602.00	£709.23	£959.52	£237.50
Total	£9309.00	£7646.05	£10339.21	£5026.34
Stewardship scheme	2017	2018	2019	
St Luke's	46	45	41	38
Cronton	11	8	11	10
Total number	57	53	52	48
Value	£14636.75	£14566.67	13,087.34	£5400.81
SOs	2017	2018	2019	
General Fund	48	40	39	42
Fabric Fund	8	6	5	8
Value	£21,973.00	£16,451	£16,248	£14398

Tax Efficient Giving

WEEKLY GIVING	Up to £1	£1 to £1.99	£2 to £2.99	£3 to £3.99	£4 to £4.99	£5 to £9.99	£10 to £14.99	£15 to £19.99	£20 and Above	total
Envelopes	2	3	5	2	3	13	3		1	32
SO		6	7	3	4	9	3	3	3	
Fabric fund			5	1	1	1				
Total	2	9	17	6	8	23	6	3	4	78

Other Regular Giving

WEEKLY	Up to £1	£1 to £1.99	£2 to £2.99	£3 to £3.99	£4 to £4.99	£5 to £9.99	£10 to £14.99	£15 to £19.99	£20 and Above	Total
Envelopes	2	1	2	2	2	6				15
SO					1	1	1		1	4
Fabric fund										
Total	2	1	2	2	3	7	1		1	19

The Small Donation Gift Aid Scheme yielded for St Luke's church £2000 and for Cronton £303.80. Part of the reduction in the figures for the Stewardship Scheme is reflected in the increase in membership of the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS).

Total Givers to PGS in 2020 was 35 - £13,303.75 received £3,188.51 tax refunded.

Please note all these figures were affected by the church closure for long periods due to the pandemic.

7. REPORTS ON CHURCH LIFE

Safeguarding for Children & Vulnerable Adults and GPDR

Margaret Campbell 0151 424 6039 07376112836

Within this difficult year of the pandemic, we continue to be committed to safeguarding as an integral part of the life and ministry of the Church. At the back of the Church there is a printed copy of the Parish Safeguarding Handbook and Policies and procedures for a Safer Church, I would encourage members of this committee and the church congregation to read them. Also, there is a list of contact numbers of people to be informed if anyone has concerns, with regards to a safeguarding issue. We utilise The Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) for volunteers working with Children and Vulnerable Adults. However, the PCC have overall responsibility to ensure that all activities involving children, young people and vulnerable adults are professionally managed and supervised. We continue to work closely with Pauline Ruth and the Halton Safeguarding Children and Adults Board. There are no safeguarding issues to report

Vision - To encourage volunteers working with Children, young people and vulnerable adults to attend the Liverpool diocesan training sessions. **GPDR** - To continue to store all the congregation's information in a safe place and respect the individual's privacy, and do not share their personal information with other organisations.

Pastoral care and service in our community Sue Smither

Baptisms - During the early months Rev'd Bob and Lay Reader Sue Smither made home visits to Baptism families to chat, answer questions, provide Pastoral Support and to offer follow-up visits. At pre-Baptism visits parents/carers were also told about JAM Crèche, Sunday Club, Toddler Church, All Age Worship and Messy Church events. At the start of the year

before church had to close Baptism families came to these services which was really encouraging.

Funerals - Before Lockdown was announced in March, Clergy and Lay Reader Sue Smither visited bereaved families to minister, support and help plan funeral services and to offer post funeral care. Unfortunately, once the restrictions came in place personal visits were not possible and funerals were planned with families on Zoom and Facetime or with telephone calls. For a while, we were unable to offer Funeral services in church, which some families found extremely difficult, as did we as a ministry team. All services had to be held at Widnes Crematorium Chapel where numbers were restricted to facilitate social distancing, services were relayed to family and friends standing outside and Live Streaming was offered through Halton Borough Council. 2020 was definitely challenging in so many ways and the ministry we offered was not ideal, but it was the best we could prayerfully offer given the Restrictions and Government Guidelines we had to follow and our funeral Ministry had to adapt accordingly.

Pastoral Outreach - Until March, members of the Clergy, Sue Smither, Clare Liptrott, Barry Ingram and Christine Turner provided ongoing pastoral care. During the Lockdown this took on many different forms. The post service Breakout Rooms after Zoom services became an important way of keeping contact and sharing information and a huge debt of gratitude must be given to those people in our church who set up and facilitated Zoom. Other communication mostly came through posting information on the church notice board and on our church website and in local shops thanks to Stuart and Val Anderson. There were some socially distanced front doorstep house calls, many personal one-to-one texts and phone calls and this is where the use of social media was so beneficial. None of this, of course, could replace the personal contact we all craved. Early in 2020, Home Communion was taken to the housebound and those parishioners living in Residential Care, some of whom now live out of our Parish but are still keen to maintain their links with St Luke's. Collections for Food Bank were well supported throughout the year, with people continuing throughout Lockdown to take their donations to the Food Bank Office in Widnes Cemetery. Donations of toiletries, bedding and other items were regularly taken to the Widnes Changing Lives House.

Vision - To meet to all necessary Diocesan Safeguarding requirements and to prayerfully meet the Pastoral needs in the Parish.

Friends of St Luke's Yvonne Horabin

We are continually grateful to the people who support the Friends group with their monthly donations by standing order. These regular donations amounted to £1096 and other donations amounted to £421. This money is used to support the current restoration projects. The main work of the Friends group is to support the various fundraising events and fairs. Unfortunately owing to the pandemic restrictions there was only 1 event in March.

A Spring Raffle and Quiz night raised £1432, which HSBC matched £500 as part of their support for charities so a total of £1932 for church funds. Thanks to Barry Horabin the Heritage Open Day was held in September. Despite the restrictions the numbers attending were only slightly down on previous years. Church was open and there were guided tours of the church and the village. The national focus was Hidden Nature. Sue Smither produced a self-guided tour of the churchyard to enjoy the nature in the churchyard and discover some interesting facts.

Health and Safety Wardens

All church policies are posted under Policies tab on the church website and are reviewed by our H&S consultant Graham McGregor. There are over 3,500 graves in the churchyard so the inspection of graves is a time consuming task that will always be ongoing. The Commonwealth Graves plaques presented by War Graves commission are displayed in the churchyard.

Despite the pandemic restrictions, our team of volunteers worked socially distanced on Monday mornings, battling with the brambles and nettles. The team work on the graveyard from 9.30am to 12.30pm. We are vigilant about the security of the church and your safety. A list of current First Aiders is in church.

If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact one of the Churchwardens, who are totally committed to all aspects of Health & Safety.

Vision - To continue to review Risk Assessments and ensure all equipment is serviced and maintained.

Toddler Church, Clare Liptrott

Toddler Church is for families with pre-school age children, the services usually take place on the second Sunday in every month from 4pm till 5pm. Jack, the puppet dog, loves to help lead the worship, especially story time and singing and playing the instruments but his favourite part is getting involved with the craft activities, although he also quite likes 'toast time' too - an opportunity for everyone to share freshly buttered toast and a drink before saying goodbye till next time. 2020 started as 'normal' for our toddler church families, meeting for our monthly worship in January and February, but then due to pandemic restrictions worship together in church had to be suspended. For the remainder of the year the families were encouraged to engage with the monthly recorded stories and craft activities that were posted on the church website and we have continued to keep in contact with our Toddler Church families directly using text messaging and by encouraging them to access information on our website and Facebook pages.

Vision - For as long as is necessary due to the pandemic restrictions, we will continue to engage with our Toddler Church families with recorded stories and crafts. When it is safe and appropriate to do so, we will re-start our monthly worship in church and look to rebuild our Toddler Church family back up, with those who were with us before along with new families with young children.

Messy Church, Clare Liptrott

Messy Church is a form of church for children and adults who do not already belong to another form of church. Each Messy Church is based on a different biblical theme and involves worship and a bible story plus messy craft activities that support further exploration of the theme. Each Messy Church session ends with everyone sharing food together. There were no Messy Church services planned for the very beginning of 2020 and then due to pandemic restrictions worship together in church had to be suspended meaning that in 2020 there were no 'traditional' Messy Church services. Our Messy Church families were encouraged to engage with the monthly recorded stories and craft activities that were posted on the church website and we have continued to keep in contact with them directly

using text messaging and by encouraging them to access information on our website and Facebook pages.

Vision - For as long as is necessary due to the pandemic restrictions, we will continue to engage with our Messy Church families with recorded stories and crafts. When it is safe and appropriate to do so, we will re-start Messy Church in our church and look to rebuild our Messy Church family back up, with those who were with us before along with new families.

Uniformed Organisations, Clare Liptrott

The uniformed groups meet at Moon Meadow HQ, which is just down the road from St Luke's Church, on Farnworth Street. The year began as 'normal' with all the groups meeting for their regular weekly meetings, as well as attending monthly All Age Worship services at St Luke's Church. In March there was a massive weekend spring clean of the HQ which went well but unfortunately this turned out to be the last time the groups were able to enter the building, as the pandemic hit, and the resulting restrictions meant that the groups could not meet in person. Since then, some of the groups have continued to meet virtually via Zoom, whilst other groups have taken advantage of national scouting virtual activities to keep the children engaged. In 2020, in the background, the work continued to raise the funds required for the urgent roof repairs to Moon Meadow HQ. As the year progressed plans for the work were submitted to HBC for planning permission, which was granted, and the fundraising target was achieved meaning the project could now progress.

Vision - For as long as is necessary due to the pandemic restrictions, groups will continue to meet virtually and even make use of outside space for meetings (in accordance with social distancing requirements) as the weather gets warmer, and the evenings get lighter.

The urgent repair work for Moon Meadow is scheduled to take place in June, July and August 2021 and none of the groups will be meeting inside the building now until after this work has taken place. We are hopeful that a grand re-opening of the HQ can take place in September 2021 and the groups can then begin to meet once again in the building.

SUNDAY CLUB at St. Luke's church Lynn Keeling

9 on roll - 8 girls and 1 boy, age range 4 to 11. Sadly, this last year has been a very strange one because of the pandemic and Sunday Club has been unable to meet. However, we have kept in touch through the power of technology and Zoom. The children took part in special services - Father's Day, the Toy Giving and Mothering Sunday. Many of the children accessed the Zoom service for the Christingle service too. At the end of summer, the children came to my house for their annual Teddy bear's Picnic and Mrs Smither very kindly gave them their annual Attendance Awards. It was a lovely day with very precious time spent together. Sadly, there was no Rose Queen or Summer Fair or any of the other fundraising events which the children and their parents normally fully support. Any money needed to buy items for Sunday Club comes directly from church funds. We always try and give the children good quality resources. We use the scheme of work set out in the Pebbles and Rocks books but diversify to suit what is going on in church at times. The children learn about God's love and how He cares for them. We have such a lovely group of young people and I say this all the time, but they are a joy to be with when guidelines allow. Sunday Club has been lucky to be supported each week by Lesley Lomax as Assistant Leader as well as Amanda Mines, grateful thanks goes to them for their continued help and support as well as their friendship.

However, Lesley has now stepped down from her role so there is a gap that hopefully will be filled.

Vision - To actively raise the profile of Sunday Club and its wonderful children in our church community, to encourage more children to come to Sunday Club, so we continue to help and nurture our young people to grow in faith and to help them form a personal relationship with God.

JAM Crèche Sue Smither

The creche has been closed owing to the pandemic restrictions.

Vision - To recruit members of the congregation to help to oversee the Jam Crèche ensuring that suitable Safeguarding and Health and Safety Training are met.

OPEN THE BOOK Sue Smither

Due to many different reasons, the Open the Book Team were unable to go into school at all during 2020 to deliver Open the Book.

Vision- To work with Farnworth CE School's Head Teacher, Mr Redman and liaise with Kathy O'Grady, the RE and Collective worship lead.

Farnworth CE Primary School Sue Smither

Rev'd Bob is a Governor and Mrs Ann Mather is the PCC representative on the Governing Board. Good links were not only maintained but flourished between Church and School throughout 2020. Rev'd Bob and Sue Smither were involved in Collective Worship on a regular basis even once Lockdown was announced. Mr Andrew Redman has certainly faced some challenges during his first full year as Headteacher, but he has done this admirably and has gained huge respect from all the staff, governors and parents for the manner in which he has handled the ever changing situation with school closures etc and having vulnerable and key worker's children in school. The staff adapted wonderfully well to online teaching and again due praise has been heaped on them by grateful parents and carers. For my part, it was both a privilege and a pleasure to maintain such strong links with the school, with the very committed and talented staff and the wonderful pupils.

Vision - To continue to build on the strong foundation, links and initiatives between church and the school.

Lunt's Heath C.P. School Sue Smither

Due to pandemic restrictions, there were no visits in person but contact through email sending thanks and best wishes from St Luke's to all staff and children for their commitment under such difficult circumstances.

Vision - To maintain and further develop the links between school and church and to make staff aware of the church and the churchyard as a resource for many different areas of the curriculum.

Mothers' Union (MU) Colleen Harper

We could only meet between January and March 2020, with all other meetings and our annual trip having to be cancelled due to the pandemic. Sadly, that suspension has continued into the first quarter of 2020, although members have agreed to maintain their subscriptions

which go to help the wider MU work. Sadly, we lost two of our members last year, Dorothy Wall and Doreen Whimperley, RIP. If the roadmap out of the pandemic continues as at time of writing, our meetings should resume in Church from April 2021, again on the second Wednesday of the month, at 7.30 pm, except for August. We will rearrange our trip to Sudley House in Mossley Hill once it reopens.

New members would be very welcome to join us at meetings, when we pray together and learn of work that is ongoing in our community and how we may help. We are happy for guests to join us for a taster session or two and take advantage of the special arrangements for our trip. Please contact me for further information.

CHOIR Director of Music Paul Delaney

What a 'strange' year for everybody! I've purposefully left Sunday March 22nd on the hymns board because that was the Sunday that never was! We had our choir practice on Monday 16th March and chose those hymns for the following Sunday. Alas, those hymns were never sung. Church was suddenly closed, and we all know why, of course. It was certainly strange in the initial lockdowns waking up and having NO church. Equally strange was Easter 2020 with nowhere to go. But the Zoom services have been great, and I enjoyed singing the various hymns and often making a mess of the second and third verses. (Reading the music and glancing over to the words on the other page, despite YouTube practices!) Of course, I didn't see the choir for such a long time, and we still haven't been able to practise. It was also so strange not playing the organ for such a long time too. Slowly, we could resume, of course and sing the 2 hymns and now we are allowed to sing at Communion. Christmas again was strange with limited services too BUT we have, like everybody else, managed! And so hopefully soon, we will find some normality...

Rachel has now joined us and is a welcome addition to our small group of dedicated volunteers. Hopefully soon, we will be able to meet again to rehearse once we are allowed and learn some new songs and hymns. I would like to thank the choir who have since returned for their dedication too. Let us hope 2021 is a better year for singing

Bellringers Tower Captain Nigel Goulding

Ringling continued normally during January. In February and March, we were really struggling for numbers, so on some Sundays there was no ringing or was limited to only 3 or 4 bells. We began to teach a recruit during the autumn and winter. She was making good progress and would have been shortly able to join the Sunday band. Ringling was curtailed on a national basis from middle of March so in common with the rest of the Church of England we shut down for 3 months. When the first lock-down ended we started ringing only 3 bells on a Sunday to maintain "social distancing" The ability to do this required family or bubble members to ring close together. We were unable to manage this arrangement after the second lock-down. It would appear unlikely that there will be any ringing until all restrictions are lifted in June 2021. There were no weddings during the year. We rang the bells for Mike Dodd's funeral at the end of February.

In 2021 we do need to address the need to paint the bell frame and repair or replace the sound control shuttering.

Deanery Synod Pat Johnson

The initial meeting of Deanery Synod was 2nd March 2020 and held here at St Luke's. The only face to face meeting as pandemic restrictions had just begun and the rest as they say, 'is history'. A successful Deanery Day was held at Halton Stadium in March primarily to share vision and planning for the Deanery. St Luke's was well represented.

TRANSFORM has flourished during 2020. St Paul's & St John's are now one parish, each retaining their own identities but working as a partnership. Not without teething problems but overall agreed better working together than apart. Serious concerns regarding financing the partnership were raised, and the Area Dean wrote to Deanery Synod with his observations and thoughts on the way forward. This is still ongoing. A challenge facing all churches in the Deanery in many respects is lack of young people attending. Initially IGNITE attracted good numbers, however circumstances have changed and as a result Clare Moss who led this group feels it 'has run its course'. TRANSFORM now appears to fulfil spiritual aspirations of the age group who attended IGNITE. A proposal was made that when the situation permits, to hold a celebration event - acknowledging the work done by leaders during its time. All churches will be informed of this event. Deanery Synod proved challenging as a result of pandemic restrictions - Zoom transmissions proved invaluable but hopefully we will be able to get back to 'face to face' meetings in the not too distant future.

Deanery Mission and Pastoral Committee Sue Smither

Deanery Day planned for February went ahead - details in Synod Report. Focus of DMP group was to be GROWTH but it was also deemed necessary to look at finance generally in the Deanery with churches struggling to pay their Parish Share. The decision was taken to form a separate Deanery Finance Committee. This Finance Group would have an overview of the whole Deanery. Due to the pandemic, all DMP meetings were conducted via Zoom. Notice was received from the Diocese that all clergy appointments were to be frozen for three years. Widnes currently has 6 stipends which is achievable. Approval was given to use portion of DMPC funds to support each Parish with their Parish Share. Due to the pandemic, the Consultation period for the joining of St John's and St Pauls to become Transform Widnes was extended. Discussion took place several times over the allocation of DMP funds to support Widnes Transform. Sue Smither stepped down from DMPC. Rev'd Bob took her place. Vision - To support the work of both the DMPC and the newly formed Finance Group

East Widnes Team Council

The Team Council is made up of the Team Rector, the Team Vicar along with 3 elected members from each PCC, 2 representatives from Cronton Mission Church Committee and a Treasurer who may be a Team Council member or an additional member. It was agreed that members should serve for no more than 3 years. In 2018, 2019 and 2020 the Team Council did not meet, but when necessary, Clergy, Readers, Wardens and Treasurers met to discuss the way forward for the Team.

Church groups contact details

Bell Ringers

Tuesday practice 6.30pm Nigel Goulding 01514953894

Churchyard working party

Monday 9.30am to 12.30pm. Barry Horabin 01514249887

Choir

Thursday practice adults 6.30pm Paul Delaney 07778042553

Church Cleaning group Wednesdays and as required. Yvonne Horabin 01514249887
Flower Arranging team Wednesday & Friday mornings. Lesley Runcorn 01514231759
Parish Review Philip Lacey 07710030973 farnworthreview@yahoo.co.uk

Church Events

Bridewell Barry Ingram 01514232492
Aladdin's Cave Second Saturday each month 10am to 1pm in the Bridewell.
Sale of quality nearly new and used goods & bric-a-brac.
Booksale First Saturday in the month 11am to 3pm in the Bridewell.
Bookings The Bridewell is available for use by small groups.
Mothers' Union M.U. Second Wednesday 7.30pm in church Colleen Harper 01514244351
Open Door in church Barry Ingram 0151 423 2492 Wednesdays 10am to 4pm
Knit & Natter 10am to noon & Games Galore 1.30pm to 3.30pm.

This report was approved at a meeting of PCC members on 5th May 2021. If you spot any mistakes please contact PCC Secretary 07761672030 sandralacey47@yahoo.co.uk so amendments can be made before the report goes in the public domain.

8. ACCOUNTS

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

Parish Details

PCC Name	<u>ST LUKE'S, FARNWORTH, WIDNES</u>
Year	<u>2020</u>
Name of signature 1 on accounts:	<u>Rev ROBERT PEARSON</u>
Name of signature 2 on accounts	<u>YVONNE HORABIN</u>
Name of Independent Examiner	<u>Vanguard Accountancy Limited</u> <u>Liverpool</u>
Professional Qualifications of Independent Examiner	<u>Chartered Accountant</u>
Date of Accounts approval by PCC	<u>24 March 2022</u>
Date of Independent Examiner's Report	<u>24 March 2022</u>

**PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
ST LUKE'S, FARNWORTH, WIDNES
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
For the year ended 31 December 2020**

	Note	Restricted				TOTAL FUNDS	
		General Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	2020 £	2019 £
INCOMING RESOURCES							
Voluntary Income	2(a)	69,681	195	3,157		73,033	75,875
Activities for generating funds	2(b)	1,989		239		2,228	11,321
Income from investments	2(c)	6,292			35	6,327	7,067
Church activities	2(d)	8,275				8,275	13,043
Other incoming resources	2(e)						
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		86,237	195	3,396	35	89,863	107,306
RESOURCES USED							
Church Activities	3(a)	112,642	175	6,445		119,262	137,953
Costs of generating voluntary income	3(b)	165				165	236
Fund-raising trading costs	3(c)	62				62	2,134
Governance costs	3(d)	1,000				1,000	1,050
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		113,869	175	6,445		120,489	141,374
NET INCOMING (OUTGOING) RESOURCES BEFORE OTHER RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES							
		- 27,633	20	- 3,049	35	- 30,627	- 34,068
Gains or losses on investment assets							
on disposal	5(b)						3,353
on revaluation	5(b)				9,301	9,301	21,931
Transfers between funds		26,173	- 6,583	- 16,416	- 3,174	-	
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		- 1,460	- 6,563	- 19,465	6,162	- 21,325	- 8,784
Balances b/fwd at 1st January 2020		5,923	8,665	30,483	146,208	191,280	200,064
Balances c/fwd at 31st December 2020		4,463	2,102	11,018	152,371	169,954	191,280

The notes on pages 3 to 7 form part of these accounts

**PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
ST LUKE'S, FARNWORTH, WIDNES
BALANCE SHEET
At 31 December 2020**

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	Note	2020 £	2019 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible	5(a)		-
Investment	5(b)	152,371	146,208
		152,371	146,208
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stock			
Debtors	6	38,926	32,311
Short term deposits			
Cash at bank and in hand		22,141	43,859
		61,067	76,170
LIABILITIES			
Creditors - amounts falling due in one year	7	-	28,599
		17,584	47,572
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)			
		169,954	193,780
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors - amounts falling due after one year	7	-	2,500
		169,954	191,280
TOTAL NET ASSETS			
 PARISH FUNDS			
Unrestricted		4,463	5,923
Designated		2,102	8,665
Restricted	8	11,018	30,483
Endowment	8	152,371	146,208
		169,954	191,280

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 24 March 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

R Pearson

Rev Robert Pearson

Y Horabin

Yvonne Horabin

The notes on pages 3 to 7 form part of these accounts

**PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
St Luke's Franworth ,Widnes
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the year ended 31 December 2020**

1 Accounting policies

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 together with the second edition of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice, issued October 2019; applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the valuation of assets which are shown at market value. The financial statements include all transactions assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body, nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Charitable status and taxation

As a registered charity, the company benefits from rates' relief and is generally exempt from income tax and corporation tax. The charity is not registered for value added tax.

Funds

Endowment funds are funds, the capital of which if possible must be maintained; only income arising from investment of the endowment may be used either as restricted or unrestricted funds depending upon the purpose for which the endowment was established. Due to lack of funds some investments have been cashed in the year.

Restricted funds represent (a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest, and (b) donations or grants received for a specific object or invited by the PCC for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forwards as a balance on that fund or transferred to another fund as agreed by PCC. The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund. Where there is no separate investment, interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

Unrestricted funds are general funds which can be used for PCC ordinary purposes.

Incoming resources

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is legally entitled to the amounts due. Dividends are accounted for when receivable, interest is accrued. All other income is recognised when it is receivable. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

The charity received voluntary help from its supporters, but these services have not been included.

Resources expended

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. The diocesan parish share is accounted for when due. Amounts received specifically for mission are dealt with as restricted funds. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Costs of generating voluntary income

All expenses relating to fundraising, public relations and investment management charges are charged to this heading.

Charitable activities

Charitable activities comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Governance costs

These costs relate to the governance of the company itself, as opposed to the management of charitable activities or fundraising and publicity, and are primarily associated with constitutional, statutory and legal requirements.

Fixed assets

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts in accordance with s.96(2)(a) of the Charities Act 1993.

Movable church furnishings held by the vicar and churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal are inalienable property, listed in the church's inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For anything acquired prior to 2000 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the financial statements. Subsequently no individual item has cost more than £1000 so all such expenditure has been written off when incurred.

Equipment used within the church premises is not depreciated. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £500 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

Investments are valued at market value at 31 December.

**PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
ST LUKE'S, FARNWORTH, WIDNES**
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)
For the year ended 31 December 2020

2 INCOMING RESOURCES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS	
					2020	2019
2a Voluntary Income						
Planned Giving: Gift Aid donations	21,694		2,056		23,750	32,884
Tax Recoverable	9,189				9,189	11,536
Parish Giving Scheme	13,304				13,304	7,658
Collections (open plate)	3,495				3,495	13,617
Gift Days						
Grants			250		250	250
Donations	3,943	195	851		4,989	4,530
Special appeals						
Legacies	18,057				18,057	5,400
	69,681	195	3,157	-	73,033	75,875
2b Activities for Generating Funds						
Bookstall for fundraising			139		139	337
Hall Lettings for non-church purposes			100		100	100
Rummage sales, fetes, etc.	1,989				1,989	10,885
	1,989	-	239	-	2,228	11,321
2c Income from Investments						
Dividends and Interest including tax recoverable	4,292			35	4,327	5,067
Rent from land or buildings held as an investment	2,000				2,000	2,000
	6,292	-	-	35	6,327	7,067
2d Income from Church Activities						
Church Hall lettings						8
Bookstall for promoting church objectives						1,933
Magazine income from sales	868				868	11,102
PCC Fees	7,407				7,407	11,102
	8,275	-	-	-	8,275	13,043
2e Other Incoming Resources						
Surplus on sale of fixed assets						
Loan						
invest ac						
	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	86,237	195	3,396	35	89,863	107,806

**PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
ST LUKE'S, FARNWORTH, WIDNES
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)
For the year ended 31 December 2020**

3 RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS	
					2020 £	2019 £
3(a) Church Activities						
Missionary and charitable giving:						
Overseas missionary societies						
Overseas relief and dev. agencies						
Home missions and other Church organisations	60				60	2,100
Secular organisations						
EWT	7,150				7,150	
Parish Share	83,483				83,483	82,112
Working expenses of incumbent						9,600
Assistant staff costs	5,505				5,505	8,854
Church running expenses						
Heating and lighting, water	3,210		344		3,554	4,707
Insurance	5,958		941		6,899	6,856
Other costs BT	949				949	587
Depreciation						
Church maintenance	3,038				3,038	4,564
Upkeep of Services	1,886	175			2,061	5,276
Upkeep of churchyard	610				610	1,493
Printing and other costs of magazine	793				793	1,006
Bookstall costs						
Parish training and mission Education						
Hall running costs						
Hall maintenance						
Major repairs to Church building						10,800
Major repairs to other Church property			5,160		5,160	
	112,642	175	6,445	-	119,262	137,953
3(b) Generation of voluntary income						
Cost of appeals, etc						
Cost of Stewardship envelopes	165				165	236
	165	-	-	-	165	236
3(c) Fundraising trading costs						
Bookstall costs						
Costs of fetes and other events	62				62	2,134
	62	-	-	-	62	2,134
3(d) Governance costs						
Independent examiner fee	1,000				1,000	1,050
Cost of PCC meeting						
	1,000	-	-	-	1,000	1,050
Total Resources Expended	113,869	175	6,445	-	120,489	141,373

**PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
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4a STAFF COSTS		2020	2019
		£	£
Wages and Salaries		5,621	8,854
Social Security Costs		-	-
Pension Costs		-	-
		<u>5,621</u>	<u>8,854</u>

During the year the PCC employed an organist, some monthly payments were large enough to attract social security costs. Also payments were made to Retired clergy and Readers for funeral services

The average number of employees during the year was 2 (2019 - 2).

4b PAYMENTS TO PCC MEMBERS

No payments or expenses were paid to any PCC member for their services provided as a PCC member for the year ended 31 December 2020, nor for the year end 31 December 2019.

During the year services were provided by S Smither as an employee of St Lukes Church, in addition to services provided as a PCC member on a voluntary basis. All transactions were on normal commercial terms and the total for the year was £2,278 (2019 - £1,300).

5 FIXED ASSETS

5(a) Tangible

No Capital expenditure was incurred in 2019 (2018 - nil).

5(b) Investments		2020	2019
		£	£
Market value at 1st January 2020		146,208	146,236
Disposal at carrying value		- 3,174	- 22,006
Income from investments		35	47
Revaluation gain/(loss)		9,301	21,931
Market value at 31st December 2020		<u>152,371</u>	<u>146,208</u>

6 DEBTORS (unrestricted funds)

		2020	2019
		£	£
Tax recoverable		37,355	31,355
Prepayments and Accrued Interest		-	-
Other Debtors		1,571	956
		<u>38,926</u>	<u>32,311</u>

7 LIABILITIES

		2020	2019
		£	£
Amounts falling due within one year (unrestricted funds)			
Accruals for utilities and other costs		28,983	16,599
Other creditors	Loans	14,500	12,000
		<u>43,483</u>	<u>28,599</u>
Amounts falling due after one year	Loans	-	<u>2,500</u>

8 FUNDS

ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

		Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
		£	£	£	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets							
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	897	5,169	1,289	850	531	6,283	-	2,444	17,464
Payments		- 5,160	- 1,012					- 273	6,445
Y/E Closing Balances	897	9	277	850	531	6,283	-	2,171	11,018

<u>Designated Funds</u>	Choir Fund	Flower Fund	Bold	Baptism	<u>Total</u>
Opening Balances	948	1,080	6,283	354	8,665
Receipts		195			195
Inter Account Trs restricted funds		- 300	- 6,283		- 6,583
	948	975	-	354	2,277
Payments	- 107	- 68			- 175
Closing Balances	841	907	-	354	2,102

Parish Details

PCC Name	<u>ST LUKE'S, FARNWORTH, WIDNES</u>
Year	<u>2020</u>
Name of signature 1 on accounts:	<u>Rev ROBERT PEARSON</u>
Name of signature 2 on accounts	<u>YVONNE HORABIN</u>
Name of Independent Examiner	<u>Vanguard Accountancy Limited</u> <u>Liverpool</u>
Professional Qualifications of Independent Examiner	<u>Chartered Accountant</u>
Date of Accounts approval by PCC	<u>24 March 2022</u>
Date of Independent Examiner's Report	<u>24 March 2022</u>

**PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
ST LUKE'S, FARNWORTH, WIDNES
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
For the year ended 31 December 2020**

	Note	General Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted		TOTAL FUNDS	
				Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	2020 £	2019 £
INCOMING RESOURCES							
Voluntary Income	2(a)	69,681	195	3,157		73,033	75,875
Activities for generating funds	2(b)	1,989		239		2,228	11,321
Income from investments	2(c)	6,292			35	6,327	7,067
Church activities	2(d)	8,275				8,275	13,043
Other incoming resources	2(e)						
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		86,237	195	3,396	35	89,863	107,306
RESOURCES USED							
Church Activities	3(a)	112,642	175	6,445		119,262	137,953
Costs of generating voluntary income	3(b)	165				165	236
Fund-raising trading costs	3(c)	62				62	2,134
Governance costs	3(d)	1,000				1,000	1,050
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		113,869	175	6,445		120,489	141,374
NET INCOMING (OUTGOING) RESOURCES BEFORE OTHER RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES							
		- 27,633	20	- 3,049	35	- 30,627	- 34,068
Gains or losses on investment assets							
on disposal	5(b)						3,353
on revaluation	5(b)				9,301	9,301	21,931
Transfers between funds		26,173	- 6,583	- 16,416	- 3,174	-	
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		- 1,460	- 6,563	- 19,465	6,162	- 21,325	- 8,784
Balances b/fwd at 1st January 2020		5,923	8,665	30,483	146,208	191,280	200,064
Balances c/fwd at 31st December 2020		4,463	2,102	11,018	152,371	169,954	191,280

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**PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
ST LUKE'S, FARNWORTH, WIDNES
BALANCE SHEET
At 31 December 2020**

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	Note	2020 £	2019 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible	5(a)		-
Investment	5(b)	152,371	146,208
		152,371	146,208
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stock			
Debtors	6	38,926	32,311
Short term deposits			
Cash at bank and in hand		22,141	43,859
		61,067	76,170
LIABILITIES			
Creditors - amounts falling due in one year	7	-	28,599
		17,584	47,572
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES			
		169,954	193,780
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors - amounts falling due after one year	7	-	2,500
		169,954	191,280
TOTAL NET ASSETS			
 PARISH FUNDS			
Unrestricted		4,463	5,923
Designated		2,102	8,665
Restricted	8	11,018	30,483
Endowment	8	152,371	146,208
		169,954	191,280

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 24 March 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

R Pearson

Rev Robert Pearson

Y Horabin

Yvonne Horabin

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**PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
St Luke's Franworth ,Widnes
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the year ended 31 December 2020**

1 Accounting policies

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 together with the second edition of the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice, issued October 2019; applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the valuation of assets which are shown at market value. The financial statements include all transactions assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body, nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Charitable status and taxation

As a registered charity, the company benefits from rates' relief and is generally exempt from income tax and corporation tax. The charity is not registered for value added tax.

Funds

Endowment funds are funds, the capital of which if possible must be maintained; only income arising from investment of the endowment may be used either as restricted or unrestricted funds depending upon the purpose for which the endowment was established. Due to lack of funds some investments have been cashed in the year.

Restricted funds represent (a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest, and (b) donations or grants received for a specific object or invited by the PCC for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forwards as a balance on that fund or transferred to another fund as agreed by PCC. The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund. Where there is no separate investment, interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

Unrestricted funds are general funds which can be used for PCC ordinary purposes.

Incoming resources

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is legally entitled to the amounts due. Dividends are accounted for when receivable, interest is accrued. All other income is recognised when it is receivable. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

The charity received voluntary help from its supporters, but these services have not been included.

Resources expended

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. The diocesan parish share is accounted for when due. Amounts received specifically for mission are dealt with as restricted funds. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Costs of generating voluntary income

All expenses relating to fundraising, public relations and investment management charges are charged to this heading.

Charitable activities

Charitable activities comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Governance costs

These costs relate to the governance of the company itself, as opposed to the management of charitable activities or fundraising and publicity, and are primarily associated with constitutional, statutory and legal requirements.

Fixed assets

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts in accordance with s.96(2)(a) of the Charities Act 1993.

Movable church furnishings held by the vicar and churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal are inalienable property, listed in the church's inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For anything acquired prior to 2000 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the financial statements. Subsequently no individual item has cost more than £1000 so all such expenditure has been written off when incurred.

Equipment used within the church premises is not depreciated. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £500 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

Investments are valued at market value at 31 December.

**PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)
For the year ended 31 December 2020

2 INCOMING RESOURCES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS	
					2020	2019
2a Voluntary Income						
Planned Giving: Gift Aid donations	21,694		2,056		23,750	32,884
Tax Recoverable	9,189				9,189	11,536
Parish Giving Scheme	13,304				13,304	7,658
Collections (open plate)	3,495				3,495	13,617
Gift Days						
Grants			250		250	250
Donations	3,943	195	851		4,989	4,530
Special appeals						
Legacies	18,057				18,057	5,400
	69,681	195	3,157	-	73,033	75,875
2b Activities for Generating Funds						
Bookstall for fundraising			139		139	337
Hall Lettings for non-church purposes			100		100	100
Rummage sales, fetes, etc.	1,989				1,989	10,885
	1,989	-	239	-	2,228	11,321
2c Income from Investments						
Dividends and Interest including tax recoverable	4,292			35	4,327	5,067
Rent from land or buildings held as an investment	2,000				2,000	2,000
	6,292	-	-	35	6,327	7,067
2d Income from Church Activities						
Church Hall lettings						8
Bookstall for promoting church objectives						1,933
Magazine income from sales	868				868	11,102
PCC Fees	7,407				7,407	11,102
	8,275	-	-	-	8,275	13,043
2e Other Incoming Resources						
Surplus on sale of fixed assets						
Loan						
invest ac						
	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	86,237	195	3,396	35	89,863	107,806

**PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)
For the year ended 31 December 2020

3 RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS	
					2020 £	2019 £
3(a) Church Activities						
Missionary and charitable giving:						
Overseas missionary societies						
Overseas relief and dev. agencies						
Home missions and other Church organisations	60				60	2,100
Secular organisations						
EWT	7,150				7,150	
Parish Share	83,483				83,483	82,112
Working expenses of incumbent						9,600
Assistant staff costs	5,505				5,505	8,854
Church running expenses						
Heating and lighting, water	3,210		344		3,554	4,707
Insurance	5,958		941		6,899	6,856
Other costs BT	949				949	587
Depreciation						
Church maintenance	3,038				3,038	4,564
Upkeep of Services	1,886	175			2,061	5,276
Upkeep of churchyard	610				610	1,493
Printing and other costs of magazine	793				793	1,006
Bookstall costs						
Parish training and mission Education						
Hall running costs						
Hall maintenance						
Major repairs to Church building						10,800
Major repairs to other Church property			5,160		5,160	
	112,642	175	6,445	-	119,262	137,953
3(b) Generation of voluntary income						
Cost of appeals, etc						
Cost of Stewardship envelopes	165				165	236
	165	-	-	-	165	236
3(c) Fundraising trading costs						
Bookstall costs						
Costs of fetes and other events	62				62	2,134
	62	-	-	-	62	2,134
3(d) Governance costs						
Independent examiner fee	1,000				1,000	1,050
Cost of PCC meeting						
	1,000	-	-	-	1,000	1,050
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4a STAFF COSTS		2020	2019
		£	£
Wages and Salaries		5,621	8,854
Social Security Costs		-	-
Pension Costs		-	-
		<u>5,621</u>	<u>8,854</u>

During the year the PCC employed an organist, some monthly payments were large enough to attract social security costs. Also payments were made to Retired clergy and Readers for funeral services

The average number of employees during the year was 2 (2019 - 2).

4b PAYMENTS TO PCC MEMBERS

No payments or expenses were paid to any PCC member for their services provided as a PCC member for the year ended 31 December 2020, nor for the year end 31 December 2019.

During the year services were provided by S Smither as an employee of St Lukes Church, in addition to services provided as a PCC member on a voluntary basis. All transactions were on normal commercial terms and the total for the year was £2,278 (2019 - £1,300).

5 FIXED ASSETS

5(a) Tangible

No Capital expenditure was incurred in 2019 (2018 - nil).

5(b) Investments		2020	2019
		£	£
Market value at 1st January 2020		146,208	146,236
Disposal at carrying value		- 3,174	- 22,006
Income from investments		35	47
Revaluation gain/(loss)		9,301	21,931
Market value at 31st December 2020		<u>152,371</u>	<u>146,208</u>

6 DEBTORS (unrestricted funds)

		2020	2019
		£	£
Tax recoverable		37,355	31,355
Prepayments and Accrued Interest		-	-
Other Debtors		1,571	956
		<u>38,926</u>	<u>32,311</u>

7 LIABILITIES

		2020	2019
		£	£
Amounts falling due within one year (unrestricted funds)			
Accruals for utilities and other costs		28,983	16,599
Other creditors	Loans	14,500	12,000
		<u>43,483</u>	<u>28,599</u>
Amounts falling due after one year	Loans	-	<u>2,500</u>

8 FUNDS

ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

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