

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETERS, NEWTON IN MAKERFIELD

England & Wales - Charity number 1133794

Details

Other names ST PETERS PCC, NEWTON IN MAKERFIELD

Status Registered

Legal form Previously excepted

Registered 2010-01-27

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. Pastoral work, including visiting the sick and bereaved. Teaching of Christianity through sermons, courses and small groups. The provision of a youth club with a Christian ethos. Supporting other charities in the UK and overseas.

Classification

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

Geography

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

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£94,529	£85,936	-	-
2023-12-31	£79,372	£94,527	-	-
2022-12-31	£80,611	£86,038	-	-
2021-12-31	£90,598	£91,870	-	-
2020-12-31	£88,735	£89,302	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev James Robert Taylor	Chair	2023-09-07
Carol Wendy Jones		2020-10-28
Glenn David Hutton		2025-05-18
HELEN ARCHIBALD		2016-03-27
IAN CAMPBELL HENRY		
Kathleen Frances Johnson		2022-07-12
Kersten Louise Myers		2026-05-24
Lucinda Caroline Louise Duffy		2023-04-30
Mark Christopher Webster		2024-05-26
Philip Brammeier		2020-10-28
Rev Christopher James Stafford		2025-01-01
Rev David John Smith		2025-06-21
Susan Elizabeth Hutton		2020-10-29
Tracey Clare Turley		2024-05-26
Vincent Mark Thomas Groome		2026-05-24

Accounts

**ST PETER'S CHURCH, NEWTON-IN-MAKERFIELD – 791
CHURCH STREET, NEWTON-LE-WILLOWS WA12 9SR**

ANNUAL REPORT and FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

of the

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

Banks

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Independent Examiner

Accounting Clinic at Liverpool John Moores University

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Aims, Purposes, Objectives & Activities and Public Benefit

The general functions of the PCC are stated within section 2 of the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956.

St Peter's Newton-in-Makerfield Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

When planning our objectives for the year, the PCC gave consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

In 2024 the objectives for the PCC were:

- Engage fully with Leading Your Church Into Growth (LyCiG) in order to grow the church spiritually and numerically.
- Be financially viable as a parish whilst contributing to Parish Share and if possible pay in full by the end of 2024.
- Have full and active participation with the PCC (e.g. appoint a new secretary).
- Review the pattern of worship to ensure it is fulfilling the spiritual needs of the congregation and community.
- Develop our mission and outreach with monthly events which we can invite people to join with e.g. Alpha course, major festivals, making the most of the occasional offices and social events such as concerts and shared meals.
- Work to develop links with St Peter's School.
- Engage with the wider Newton team, Winwick Deanery and Diocese.
- Protect and serve God's people by engaging with and advocating safeguarding, safe practices and safer recruitment.

See Achievements and Performance for details on how the PCC engaged with these objectives throughout the year.

Activities Undertaken for Public Benefit

- Weekly services of Holy Communion (twice a week), Evening Prayer (weekly on a Monday evening) and a weekly Lunch & Bible Study (held on a Thursday).
- Occasional offices such as baptisms, weddings and funerals which include the burial of ashes in the garden of remembrance. In 2024 we undertook 22 Baptisms, 6 weddings, 15 funerals at St Peter's plus 4 more funerals that were straight to crematorium and 5 burials of ashes.
- A monthly Family Service on a Sunday morning with church parade and Sunday school. A bring and share meal also forms part of this service.
- A programme of services for major festivals at Easter and Christmas. This was done with the wider Newton Team of Churches.
- There were also a number of special services and events such as Christmas carol services for St Peter's C.E school where the PCC collaborated with the school and Parent Teacher Association (PTA). We also hosted local secondary school Hope Academy for their Advent services.
- Rev James Taylor went into both local schools regularly to lead worship, teach RE and offer workshops for children and staff and in the case of St Peter's C.E Primary

- Rev James as well as other regular members of the congregation and PCC serve on the schools governing board.
- A deanery wide confirmation service in which 25 people were confirmed. Nineteen of which were Y5 and Y6 students from St Peter's CE Primary.
- The St Peter's Gardening Group meets every other week to undertake gardening projects around the grounds of the church from spring to autumn.
- Bell ringing is part of the character of St Peter's with an active bell tower and team of ringers. There is also the community hand bell group which is more informal in terms of makeup but meets weekly and performs at church events through the year.
- An Alpha course was held in the early part of 2024 in local restaurant *The Verona*. Alpha is a Christianity starter course which comes out of Holy Trinity, Brompton and the HTB movement. Its focus is educating people on the Christian faith whilst also advocating deeper personal relationship with the Holy Spirit and evangelism.
- Two major fairs were put on in May and November as part of our fundraising strategy, as well as opening the building more for public use and showcasing local artists and crafters.
- Three public concerts with outside community choirs and bands also took place, again as a fundraiser event, but also for public enrichment through music. The partner organisations were *Wigan Voices In Harmony*, *Haydock Male Voice Choir* and *Roberts Bakery Brass Band*.
- A Big Hymn Sing event was held in summer 2024 which again provided musical enrichment alongside public worship.
- The St Peter's branch of the Mother's Union also met monthly throughout the year, with two new members in 2024.
- Rev James also undertook a number of home and pastoral visits in 2024. There is also a lot of pastoral support that is offered through the congregation's own relationships with each other.
- In September 2024 a mission weekend was held across the Newton Team of Churches, also known as the Hope Hub. The main events for St Peter's were a Macmillan Coffee Morning with Morning Prayer, A Science & Wonder Day and another Big Hymn Sing and shared soup meal afterwards.
- A Ladies Lunch Group was also started by the Local Missional Leader.

Charitable Giving

The charities that we supported with donations, direct from PCC funds were:

- Christian Aid.
- Ukraine through the DEC.
- The Hope Centre Foodbank.
- The Children's Society.

Legacy Policy

Any legacies are gratefully received and go into the general account unless restrictions are specified by the donor. Where the legacy is not restricted, the PCC may decide to allocate the legacy to a designated fund. The PCC will then decide on how any designated funds are spent.

Contribution of Volunteers

It is not possible to count the number of hours people volunteer for St Peter's and given the list of activities above, the contribution of volunteers is vast and without that contribution, the church and PCC would fail.

Achievements and Performance

Our main activity at St Peter's is the provision of Christian worship for the parish of Newton-in-Makerfield (791), particularly a weekly parish Communion on a Sunday morning and a mid-week Communion (usually on a Wednesday).

In 2024 the I I am Family Service continued though the year. It was noted though by the spring that weekly attendance was dropping, so the decision was taken hold the I I am Family Service once a month and focus our energy on making that one service the best it can be, rather than four services that were average in terms of engagement. The monthly service is well supported with approximately 40 adults and 20 children attending. As well as the leaders of the service and Sunday School being lay leaders. Rev James is the only clergy person on the leadership team for the I I am Family Service. This is a testament to the lay volunteers who have listened to a call from God to teach and preach and are actively being obedient in that call. This is a great encouragement all around.

It is estimated (via the service register) that 156 different people engage with and are a regular attenders of St Peter's church (regular being at least once a month). We also held a number of occasional offices (see activities undertaken for public benefit).

St Peter's also hosted a Deanery wide confirmation service on Palm Sunday 2024 in which 19 children from St Peter's CE Primary were confirmed. These pupils came from the Y5&6 classes of that year. Like the I I am Family Service, a lay governor and PCC member supported Rev James with the confirmation preparation which again is a sign of dedicated lay engagement with the wider community.

The relationship with St Peter's School continues to be nurtured with Rev James leading weekly collective worship as well as being a teaching guest for RE classes at school. In 2024, 4 school governors were regular attendees at St Peter's Church 3 of which hold leadership roles in the church which emphasises the importance and links between church and school. Furthermore, special school services occurred throughout the year, class visits and governors volunteering to help invigilate the Y6 exams.

Rev James has also continued to build relationships with Hope Academy (a joint CofE and RC Secondary School) in 2024. This is primarily through the chaplain Kasia Boydell. School visits, RE lessons and church visits for special services have taken place because of this relationship in 2024.

There were two core missional activities in 2024, one an Alpha Course in the spring at a local Italian restaurant. The second a weekend long mission which took place across the Hope Hub (Newton Team of Churches), the latter was off the back of engagement with Leading Your Church Into Growth.

At least four people who attended the Alpha course as guests in 2024 have now become weekly attendees of Sunday services and all four have been safely recruited and are now

volunteering in church with role descriptions. This is growth and should be celebrated, for it is proof of the Holy Spirit working through people's hearts and minds, leading them to Jesus and gifting these people to us.

The Hope Hub Mission Weekend was an extension of events that already occur across our churches, like the annual Macmillan Coffee Morning and Big Hymn Sing that was held in the summer. We also hosted a Science and Wonder Day, with the support of Rev Dr Chris Stafford (Team Rector) in which over 300 adults and children came through our doors. Many of them being families from the local community and school. We were also supported by other clergy and laity from the wider Hope Hub. This evidences the good partnerships we have in the wider team.

In 2024 both the clergy and PCC completed the Leading Your Church into Growth (LyCiG) programme, although PCC attendance did fluctuate. Some aspects of LyCiG were used well such as the Prayer for Growth being adopted. The creation of a weekly Bible Study and an additional midweek service of Evening Prayer to allow the existing congregation (and any others) to deepen their discipleship. Being nourished by God in these settings so they can nourish and encourage others. Alongside the growth in congregation numbers we can say LyCiG has been a success. However, it would be fair to say we have not used the tools LyCiG gives as effectively as we could have. An example would be a conversation around doing a welcome course but the conversation went no further. People, time and energy are needed and this is something we have lacked at times in 2024.

The Easter and Advent/Christmas seasons of services were well attended with each service on Easter Sunday and Midnight Communion having more than 130 attendees each. This proves that when we put our energy into "presence" events, where people in the community can see what we do and offer, the wider community does respond. Going forward we would like to continue this momentum but are aware we need more new volunteers. This is something we are actively praying for as a church.

Groups like the Gardening Group and Hand Bell Group continue to offer opportunities for people to volunteer at church as well as teach skills and build fellowship. We also have an active Tower Bell Community, which plays weekly and for special services.

In the 2023 report these were the stated aims by Rev James Taylor:

- Engage fully with LyCiG in order to grow the church spiritually and numerically.

We believe this has been achieved in a small manner, but it is growth nonetheless.

- Be financially viable as a parish whilst contributing to Parish Share and if possible pay in full by the end of 2024.

We failed to meet our parish share contributions by approximately £9k (see financial report). The largest expenditure is Parish Share, we are meeting our other mandatory expenditure (heating, lighting, minor repairs etc.). This is something the PCC will need to review as well as looking at the giving culture of the church. A new SUMUP contactless device was given to the PCC in 2024 and that started to see some use at the end of the year.

- *Have full and active participation with the PCC (e.g. appoint a new secretary).*

A minute secretary was appointed but not a full secretary. Four PCC members stepped down in 2024 but two new members came on. However, we are aware that when people do step down, recruitment is getting harder for ourselves and other churches.

- *Review the pattern of worship to ensure it is fulfilling the spiritual needs of the congregation and community.*

This was done as part of LyCiG, hence the starting of a new service and Bible study as well as reviewing our worship and special services. Increased engagement would indicate success but there is still more to do in this area.

- *Develop our mission and outreach with monthly events which we can invite people to join with e.g. Alpha course, major festivals, making the most of the occasional offices and social events such as concerts and shared meals.*

We have seen more concerts and mission initiatives in 2024, see above and public benefit. This is something we wish to build on in the future.

- *Work to develop links with St Peter's School.*

As a PCC and church we have done good work on this aim in 2024 and we hope to continue this trend in 2025.

- *Engage with the wider Newton team, Winwick Deanery and Diocese.*

Team events like the Mission weekend, the growth of clergy chapter since the arrival of the new Area Dean and a willingness to engage with LyCiG is evidence of this engagement.

- *Protect and serve God's people by engaging with and advocating safeguarding, safe practices and safer recruitment.*

Both Rev James and PSO completed Leadership Safeguarding Training in 2024. We have now started using the Safeguarding Dashboard and as mentioned new volunteers have been through safer recruitment.

As well as the above, maintenance and repairs were carried out on the building in 2024. Details of this can be seen by request in the Church Log Book.

For aims for 2025, please see "Plans For The Future".

Financial Review

Total funds held by the PCC at the end of 2024 were £73,339 with £42,639 of this being held in restricted funds. Although total funds increased by £8593, we owe the Diocese of Liverpool £9697 in Parish Share for 2024.

The total of all giving (planned, collections at services and other donations) increased in 2024 by £2299 compared to 2023. We received two legacies, one of £500 and the other of £10,000 and we are very grateful to these donors for remembering St Peter's in their wills.

The decrease in gift-aid claimed in 2024 compared to 2023 is because the 2023 figure of £12706 included a claim of £3348 due from 2022.

The fees we receive from the car park continue to be a vital source of income and fund-raising events raised over £8,000 after costs. We are very grateful for all the support we receive from the giving of money, time and talents.

Despite an overall decrease in energy use (72399 kWh in 2024 compared to 77125 kWh in 2023) the cost of gas and daily charges increased considerably at the start of a new 3-year contract which began on 1 January 2024. Other costs such as insurance and water charges continue to rise each year.

As expected, 2024 was a financially challenging year. **To pay off the debt of £9697 and pay Parish Share in full in 2025, we need an increase in income of over £300 per week.** The PCC will need to address these issues during 2025 and will need the support of St Peter's congregation with ways to increase income from giving and fund-raising.

Plans For The Future

Our aims as a PCC for 2025 are:

- + Establish working groups that will be answerable to the PCC but take responsibility for core aspects of the daily life of St Peter's Church e.g. a finance team to support the treasurer.
- + Continue to review worship and discipleship provision for the parish and community.
- + Build on existing links with local schools to enable mutual support, spiritual and practical growth.
- + Work alongside the Hope Hub, Winwick Deanery & Diocese, especially regarding the Fit For Mission Engage Phase and Autumn vote which will decide whether we as a PCC opt in or out the "Acting As If" Phase.
- + Devise a realistic plan to manage parish share payments and arrears.
- + Long term, look at the possibility of a re-ordering project for the building which would look at seating, stonework, heating and lighting, the annexe, accessibility and public facilities.

We will do this through our PCC discussions and collaboration with the congregation, wider community and other local churches in the Hope Hub and Winwick Deanery.

Structure, Governance and Management

Administrative Information

St Peter's church is located on Church Street, Newton-le-Willows, WA12 9SR. The parish is part of the Newton Team, in the Diocese of Liverpool.

Official correspondence should be sent to the church address above.

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) operates under the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956 and the Church Representation Rules. The PCC is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure and is a charity registered with the Charity Commission. PCC members are appointed in accordance with the Church of England Representation Rules 2006 and are elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting. All those who attend

are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC. Individual members of the PCC receive external training as and when deemed appropriate by the PCC.

PCC and Ex-Officio Members

Members of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) are elected at the Annual Parish Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with Church Representation Rules. There are also some members with ex-officio status:

- Revd. James R Taylor
- Churchwardens - James Robb and William Irving
- Deanery Synod Representatives - Ian Henry, James Robb, William Irving, Lucinda Duffy, Kathryn Cunliffe (until May 2024)

PCC Members

- Revd. James R Taylor (Chair)
- James Robb (Churchwarden)
- William Irving (Churchwarden)
- Phil Brammeier.
- Wendy Jones (Treasurer)
- Sue Hutton
- Helen Archibald
- Lucinda Duffy
- Ian Henry (Minute Secretary)
- Kathleen Johnson
- Tracey Turley (from May 2024)
- Mark Webster (from May 2024)

- Glenn Hutton (until May 2024)
- Howard Cooper (until May 2024)
- Elaine Fairhurst (until May 2024)
- Tamsin Clough (until May 2024)

Emeritus Title Holders

The following people have emeritus status at St Peter's but they do not have trustee status, nor are they active on the PCC:

Reader Emeritus – Dorothy Matthews and Audrey Myers.

Churchwarden Emeritus – Albert Waterworth.

The Standing Committee

Day to day management of the church was exercised by the standing committee.

This is the only committee required by law. It has the power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the Council. Members of the Standing Committee are the Chair, Churchwardens, Treasurer and PCC Secretary.

Other Roles and Responsibilities

- Legal Advice - Given through the Diocese of Liverpool
- Architect - Grimshaw Associates
- Electoral Roll Officer - Sue Hutton
- Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO) - Sharon Brammeier
- Deputy PSO - Michelle Brammeier
- Parish Bulletin - Ian Henry
- Website Editor - Wendy Jones
- GDPR – To Be Appointed.
- Gift Aid Officer - Sharon Brammeier
- Health & Safety Officer - Phil Brammeier
- Vice Lay Chair – To Be Appointed.

Policies

Policy documents can be produced on request, below is a summary of key policies and risk assessments.

Financial Risk

On the advice of the Diocese, £10,000 is kept in reserve in our general account.

There are three signatories on the Nat West and CBF funds, Wendy Jones (Treasurer), James Robb (Churchwarden) and William Irving (Churchwarden). The Treasurer creates a budget each year and this is regularly updated, reviewed and monitored by the Standing Committee and at PCC meetings. The Treasurer carries out all day-to-day transactions through online banking with Nat West, and James Robb, who also has online access, regularly carries out spot checks to ensure that the accounts are in order.

Health and Safety

The Churchwardens ensure that the Church is kept free of any hazards, that heating boilers are serviced regularly. The Health and Safety Policy including fire procedures was agreed at the November 2024 PCC meeting.

A first aid kit, a defibrillator and the accident book are sited in the annexe.

Security

The Church is protected by a well-maintained alarm. The number of keys issued to Church members is limited. A floodlight illuminates the car park while groups are occupying the Church in the evening. Valuables, such as the church laptop, are kept in the office or locked away.

Safeguarding

The PCC has complied with its duty to have 'due regard' to the House of Bishops' Safeguarding Policy and Practice Guidance To this end it abides by the requirements of the House of Bishops Safeguarding Handbook regarding the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults.

The House of Bishops Safeguarding Policy Statement -Promoting A Safer Church, the parish Policy Statement on Children, Young People in the Church and the Code of Safer Working Practices were last adopted on 7th November 2024. The Policy and Parish statement are displayed on notice boards in church and on our website. Safeguarding Sunday was held 11th April 2024. Safeguarding is a standing agenda item at PCC meetings.

During the past twelve months role descriptions have been approved by PCC and issued to all volunteers. Volunteers have retrospectively completed a confidential declaration to comply with Safer Recruitment procedures, and many have undertaken Basic Awareness safeguarding training either online or at the training day organised at St Michaels for Newton hub. All trustees have completed the Foundation safeguarding training. Rev Taylor and the Parish Safeguarding Officer have also completed the Safeguarding Leadership training course with the Diocese in the past year. All DBS checks for Trustees and volunteers are up to date.

There was one safeguarding concern raised during 2024. Advice was sought from the Associate Archdeacon after local procedures were followed (i.e reporting to the parish safeguarding officer). Appropriate action was then taken to protect all concerned.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees (PCC) by clergy and laity

Signature(s):



Full Name(s): JAMES ROBERT TAYLOR

CAROL WENDY JONES

Position(s): TEAM VICAR + PCC CHAIR

PCC TREASURER

Date:

26/03/2025

26/03/2025

St. Peter's Parish Church, Newton-in-Makerfield

Financial Statements for the year ending 31 December 2024

Receipts and Payments Accounts		2024	2024	2024	2024	2023
		£	£	£	£	£
Receipts	Notes	Unrest.	Designated	Restricted	Total	Total
<i>Voluntary Receipts</i>						
Planned Giving Gift Aided		29852			29852	27841
Other Planned Giving		4391			4391	3356
Collections at services		5396			5396	6486
Gift Aid recovered		9712			9712	12706
		<u>49351</u>			<u>49351</u>	<u>50389</u>
<i>Other voluntary Income</i>						
All other giving and sundry donations		3505		155	3660	3317
Legacies		500	10000		10500	
		<u>4005</u>	<u>10000</u>	<u>155</u>	<u>14160</u>	<u>3317</u>
<i>Activities for generating funds</i>						
Sponsored Walk (Rev Chris)						767
Spring Craft Fair		1458			1458	1511
Christmas Fair		3872			3872	3436
Brass Band Concert		2964			2964	2163
Other events & sales		1010			1010	389
		<u>9304</u>			<u>9304</u>	<u>8266</u>
<i>Receipts from church activities</i>						
Fees - Weddings and Funerals	1	5028			5028	5802
Refreshments Fund			745		745	229
Hire of Annexe and Church		1595			1595	870
Fees - Car Park	2	9789			9789	7717
		<u>16412</u>	<u>745</u>		<u>17157</u>	<u>14618</u>
<i>Investment income</i>						
Interest from CBF Funds			<u>412</u>	<u>2113</u>	<u>2525</u>	<u>1717</u>
<i>Other Ordinary Income</i>						
Heating Grant						450
Refunds on Vicarage C. Tax & Utilities						615
Refunds - gas, copier, wi-fi device		237			237	
Insurance Claim			1795		1795	
		<u>237</u>	<u>1795</u>		<u>2032</u>	<u>1065</u>
Total Receipts		<u>79309</u>	<u>12952</u>	<u>2268</u>	<u>94529</u>	<u>79372</u>

St. Peter's Parish Church, Newton-in-Makerfield

Financial Statements for the year ending 31 December 2024

		2024	2024	2024	2024	2023
		£	£	£	£	£
Payments	Notes	Unrest.	Designated	Restricted	Total	Total
<i>Cost of generating Voluntary Income</i>		<u>133</u>			<u>133</u>	<u>242</u>
<i>Church Activities</i>						
Donations St. Peter's School		500			500	500
Other donations	2	717			717	574
Mission - Alpha Course & Bibles		1276			1276	
		<u>2493</u>			<u>2493</u>	<u>1074</u>
<i>Ministry - Parish Share</i>		<u>51000</u>			<u>51000</u>	<u>60090</u>
<i>Church Running Expenses</i>						
Insurance		7198			7198	6960
Utilities - Gas and Electricity		9163			9163	7125
Utilities - Water		799			799	511
		<u>17160</u>			<u>17160</u>	<u>14596</u>
<i>Clergy Expenses</i>						
Clergy mileage & expenses		7			7	84
Relief Clergy from PCC funds						2240
Vicarage Council Tax and Water		3500			3500	861
		<u>3507</u>			<u>3507</u>	<u>3185</u>
<i>Cost of services</i>						
Sanctuary		421			421	633
Organist - Monthly Fees		1008			1008	945
Sundry including Petty Cash		631			631	1807
Repairs and maintenance		2015	4034		6049	9372
Servicing of organ/piano		46		644	690	816
Printing, Stationery, Website & Wi-Fi		747			747	716
		<u>4868</u>		<u>644</u>	<u>9546</u>	<u>14289</u>
<i>Fund Raising costs</i>						
Spring Craft Fair						50
Christmas Fair		341			341	313
Other events		173			173	
Brass Band Concert		650			650	650
		<u>1164</u>			<u>1164</u>	<u>1013</u>
<i>Other</i>						
Repairs to bell muffles				439	439	
Sunday School supplies						38
Refreshments Fund			494		494	
		<u>0</u>	<u>494</u>	<u>439</u>	<u>933</u>	<u>38</u>
Total Payments		<u>80325</u>		<u>1083</u>	<u>85936</u>	<u>94527</u>
Excess of Receipts over Payments					8593	-15155
Total Funds as at 1 January					64746	79901
Total Funds as at 31 December					<u>73339</u>	<u>64746</u>

St. Peter's Parish Church, Newton-in-Makerfield

Financial Statements for the year ending 31 December 2024

Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31 December 2024

		2024	2024	2024	2024	2023
		£		£	£	£
Monetary Assets	Notes	Unrest.	Designated	Restricted	Total	Total
Nat West - General a/c		14,542			14,542	14,491
Nat West - No 2 a/c - Organ & choir				0	0	644
Nat West - No 3 a/c - Sunday School				962	962	962
Nat West - D H Legacy			10,000		10,000	0
CBF Fund Building & Fabric			6,128		6,128	8,700
CBF Fund Bell Restoration & M'tnc				7,570	7,570	7,609
CBF Fund Hand Bells				906	906	711
CBF Fund De Looze Flag				1,489	1,489	1,414
CBF Fund Tower Bell General				6,972	6,972	6,621
CBF Fund Stonework				24,740	24,740	23,493
Refreshment Fund (inc Petty Cash in 2023)			30		30	101
Total		14,542	16,158	42,639	73,339	64,746

Liabilities						
2024 Parish Share owed to Diocese		9,697			9,697	0

Non-Monetary Assets

None

Notes to the accounts.

1. Fees

Wedding & Funeral Fees are made up of PCC fees (which are included in the financial statements) and 'agency' fees which are not included. The 'agency' fees below were paid in and paid out of the PCC's account:

Liverpool Diocesan Board of Finance	4966
Relief clergy	237
Bellringers for Weddings	1260
Organists for Weddings & Funerals	1100
Verger for Weddings & Funerals	1150
Total	8713

2. Donations

The PCC received a variable amount of income each month from the car park contractor. This included a % of the money the contractor raised from imposing fines to car park users.

These amounts have been donated by the PCC to the following:

DEC Ukraine Appeal	90
Christian Aid	140
The Children's Society	147
Hope Centre Food Bank	340
Total	717

The monies donated by parishioners to other charities are not included in the financial statements as these are classed as 'agency' transactions.

The following amounts were paid in and paid out of the PCC's account:

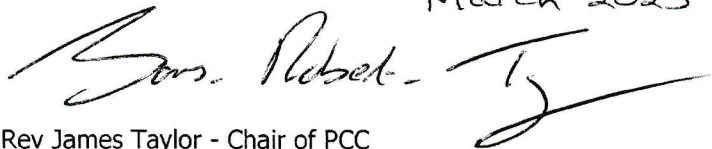
Diocesan Ordinands Fund (Confirmation Service)	253
Macmillan Coffee Morning	766
Children's Society - Christingle Service	115
Children's Society - Boxes	20
Total	1154

3. The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts and Payments basis.

4. The following assets are recognised but not necessarily valued in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities: moveable church furnishings held by the Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC which require a faculty for disposal.

5. The expenses paid to clergy may include a small immaterial proportion which relates to their function as PCC members. No other member of the PCC received any payment for being a member of the PCC. William Irving received fees in his role as verger but not in his role as a PCC member.

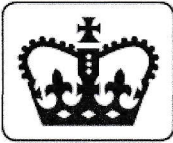
Approved by the PCC via email *From 2nd to 5th* and signed on its behalf by -
March 2025



Rev James Taylor - Chair of PCC



Wendy Jones - PCC Treasurer



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
St Peter's Church, Newton in Makerfield

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31st December 2024
**Charity no
(if any)** 1133794

Set out on pages

11-14
(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

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

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

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

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

**Independent
examiner's statement**

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
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I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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

Signed: **Date:**

Name:

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

Address:

Section B

Disclosure

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

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

Accounts

**ST. PETER'S CHURCH, NEWTON-IN-MAKERFIELD - 791
CHURCH STREET, NEWTON-LE-WILLOWS, WA12 9SR**

ANNUAL REPORT and FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

of the

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

Banks

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Independent Examiner

Accounting Clinic at Liverpool John Moores University

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Administrative Information

St. Peter's Church is located on Church St., Newton-le-Willows, WA12 9SR. The parish is part of the Newton Team in the Diocese of Liverpool.

Official correspondence should be sent to the Team Vicar, Rev James Taylor,
8 The Parchments, Newton-le-Willows WA12 0DY

PCC and Ex-Officio Members

Members of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) are elected at the Annual Parish Meeting (APM) in accordance with Church Representation Rules. There are also some members with ex-officio status:

- Rev Chris Stafford (Chair) to 6 September 2023
- Rev James Taylor (Chair) from 7 September 2023
- Readers Emeritus - Dorothy Matthews and Audrey Myers
- Churchwardens - James Robb and William Irving
- Churchwarden Emeritus - Albert Waterworth
- Deanery Synod Reps - Ian Henry, Kathryn Cunliffe, James Robb, William Irving, Wendy Jones, Lucinda Duffy (from 30 April 2023)

PCC Members

- Rev Chris Stafford (Chair) to 6 September 2023
- Rev James Taylor (Chair) from 7 September 2023
- Elaine Fairhurst
- Helen Archibald
- Sue Hutton
- *Glenn Hutton*
- William Irving (Churchwarden)
- Charles Fuller (resigned 28 September 2023)
- Kathryn Cunliffe
- Jim Robb (Churchwarden)
- Tamsin Halliwell (Clough from July 2023) (PCC secretary until September 2023)
- Ian Henry
- Phil Brammeier (Vice Chair)
- Wendy Jones (Treasurer)
- Kathleen Johnson
- Howard Cooper (from 30 April 2023)
- Lucinda Duffy (from 30 April 2023)

The Standing Committee

This is the only committee required by law. It has the power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the Council. Members of the Standing Committee are the Chair, Churchwardens, Treasurer and PCC Secretary.

Other Roles and Responsibilities

- Legal Advice - Given through Diocese of Liverpool
- Architect - Grimshaw Associates
- Electoral Roll Officer - Sue Hutton
- Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO) - Sharon Brammeier
- Deputy PSO - Michelle Brammeier
- Parish Bulletin - Ian Henry
- *Website Editor* - Wendy Jones
- GDPR -TBC (currently being reviewed by PCC)
- Gift Aid Officer - Sharon Brammeier
- Health and Safety Officer – Phil Brammeier

Chair's Report

St Peter's Newton is part of the Newton Team of Churches (Hope Hub) alongside All Saints Newton, Emmanuel Wargrave, St John Earlestown and St Michael Burtonwood.

We are also part of the Winwick Deanery and the Diocese of Liverpool which aims to be "asking God for a bigger church so we can make a bigger difference; more people knowing Jesus more justice in the world"¹.

The aims and vision of St Peter's is in line with the diocese and to that end in early 2023, the PCC signed up with other members of the Newton Team to undertake Leading Your Church Into Growth (hereafter referred to as Lycig). In the autumn of 2023 Rev James and Local Missional Leader (LML) Kathryn Cunliffe attended the Lycig conference in Swanwick and have since undertaken two further training sessions at Christchurch Aughton (nr. Ormskirk). Alongside All Saints Newton and Emmanuel Wargrave, the local training to PCC's has been given jointly in addition to PCC meetings. The training for Rev James and Kathryn will continue in 2024 as will the local PCC training sessions.

The key change in 2023 is that St Peter's is no longer in vacancy with my appointment as Team Vicar, whilst I am licenced across the Newton Team and I have undertaken services and missional activities across the team, my focus and oversight is to the parish of St Peter's. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone at St Peter's for the warm welcome and support both myself and partner Gustavo have received since we arrived in September 2023.

In 2023 the average attendance for Sunday worship at the 09:30am Parish Communion (not including major festivals and occasions) was approximately 60 adults and 12 children. In September '23 LML Kathryn Cunliffe started a weekly service aimed at children and families, the "11am Live Service" average attendance for this service up to and including December 2023 was 31 adults and 14 children. Kathryn and I meet regularly for supervision and to review the 11am service. One of its strengths is the core team of lay leaders who lead, preach and run the Sunday school. Thank you to all those leaders for answering that call God has placed on their lives and for their continued ministry. The midweek Wednesday Communion has an average attendance of approximately 16 people. Some of whom only attend on a Wednesday.

In 2023 25 baptisms took place, 5 weddings, 20 funerals and a burial of ashes. With regards to mission there was a mix of special services and events including craft fair and Christmas fair. Brass band concert at Christmas. Remembrance Sunday Communion, Memorial Service (held jointly with and at All Saints Newton), Community Carols and Christmas Light Switch On and Christingle as well as team services on the fifth Sunday of each month. All of these have been well attended and our missional events are something I would like to develop in 2024, this will

¹ Available at: <https://www.liverpool.anglican.org/about-us/liverpool-dbf/vision/> Accessed: 2 April 2024.

include reviewing events and looking at how we can enhance the opportunities for the outside community and beyond to engage with St Peter's for example choral concerts and other events which are easy to invite people to and hopefully engage with God and the Christian faith.

At the request of the diocese St Peter's took part in the "Generous Harvest" campaign, which involved two special services around harvest and a one off "Generosity Fikka". A series of new "giving" cards were also published and a contactless card machine from the diocese trialled. Whilst the services and Fikka both had good attendance, there was not the uptake in giving financially that was perhaps expected or wanted. Many of the generosity cards are still piled up in St Peter's at the time of writing and the card machine has frequently failed. Trials for a new contactless card machine are due to take place. I am open to ideas and discussions on how to increase our finances and giving, without which we cannot undertake all the mission we want to or contribute fully to the deanery and diocese. We are not an island and as such it is right and proper to be generous with our treasure as God is generous to us abundantly. That being said, I am aware that giving is multi-faceted and not everything can be measured by church members signed up to the Parish Giving Scheme or the amount on the offertory plate. I am grateful and have been blessed by the generosity of the people of this parish in all its many forms.

One of the many joys of this role is to minister in St Peter's school. I have enjoyed building the links with school by my work as a governor as well as meeting with staff and students on a weekly basis. This is primarily through Wednesday morning collective worship in school. We have looked at topics such as Galatians 5 and the Fruit of the Spirit as well as festivals such as harvest, Advent and Christmas. Like other aspects of my role as team vicar I look forward to seeing how God works in St Peter's school and church in the future as we continue to be a joint Christian presence in the community.

Overall the first three months of my appointment which formed the back end of 2023 have been spent observing, listening and discerning how we can be a bigger church making a bigger difference here in Newton. Overall I believe we are in a good place to do this and there have been some standout occasions which have shown what we are capable of as the body of Christ here in this place (our Christmas programme and missional outreach comes to mind) and I am keen to see this grow in the future.

Aims for St Peter's in 2024:

- Engage fully with Lycig in order to grow the church spiritually and numerically.
- Be financially viable as a parish whilst contributing to Parish Share and if possible pay in full by the end of 2024.
- Have full and active participation with the PCC (e.g. appoint a new secretary).
- Review the pattern of worship to ensure it is fulfilling the spiritual needs of the congregation and community.
- Develop our mission and outreach with monthly events which we can invite people to join with e.g. Alpha course, major festivals, making the most of the occasional offices and social events such as concerts and shared meals.
- Work to develop links with St Peter's School.
- Engage with the wider Newton team, Winwick Deanery and Diocese.
- Protect and serve God's people by engaging with and advocating safeguarding, safe practices and safer recruitment.

Thank you all again for your commitment to the church and people of God here, may you go in peace to love and serve the Lord in 2024.

Rev James Taylor

Structure, Management and Governance

St Peter's PCC operates under the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956 and the Church Representation Rules. The PCC is a charity registered with the Charity Commission (Charity number 1133794). When planning its activities for the year the PCC gave consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

All church members are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC. The method of appointment of PCC members is as set out in the Church Representation Rules. The size of the Parochial Church Council is determined by the numbers on the electoral roll: Currently the Parochial Church Council is made up of 15 members in total; 7 ex-officio, 8 elected.

Four Deanery Synod representatives are elected every three years and these, along with the Vicar, Readers and Church Wardens are ex-officio members.

The PCC has a Standing Committee, which meets as necessary between full meetings. The Standing Committee operates under Terms of Reference approved by the PCC and reports to the PCC at the next full meeting.

The PCC can recommend for appointment to the Diocese of Liverpool of six Foundation Governors of St. Peter's Church of England Primary School, Birley Street, Newton-le-Willows. The vicar of St. Peter's is an ex-officio member of the Governing Body of the school.

A member of the congregation of St. Peters, Sharon Brammeier, is Chair of the Governing Body.

Individual PCC members must complete any training required, as specified by the Diocese. This includes Safeguarding training which must be refreshed every three years.

The Liverpool Diocesan Board of Finance acts as custodian trustee for the inalienable property of the church.

Risk Assessments

Financial Risk

On the advice of the Diocese, £10,000 is kept in reserve in our general account (please refer to the Financial Review section for more information).

There are three signatories on the Nat West and CBF funds, Wendy Jones (Treasurer), Jim Robb (Churchwarden) and William Irving (Churchwarden). The Treasurer creates a budget each year and this is regularly updated, reviewed and monitored by the Standing Committee and at PCC meetings. The Treasurer carries out all day-to-day transactions through online banking with Nat West, and Jim Robb, who also has online access, regularly carries out spot checks to ensure that the accounts are in order.

Health and Safety

The Churchwardens ensure that the Church is kept free of any hazards, that heating boilers are serviced regularly. The Health and Safety Policy including fire procedures

is currently being reviewed and will be updated and agreed at a PCC meeting in 2024.

First-aiders – Helen Archibald

A first aid kit, a defibrillator and the accident book are sited in the annexe. The CPR defibrillator pads were replaced in December 2023.

Security

The Church is protected by a well-maintained alarm. The number of keys issued to Church members is limited. A floodlight illuminates the car park while groups are occupying the Church in the evening. Valuables, such as the church laptop, are kept in the office or locked away.

Safeguarding

The PCC always follows the guidelines issued by the Diocese of Liverpool regarding the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults. The Safeguarding Policy - Promoting A Safer Church and the parish Policy Statement on Children, Young People in the Church were last adopted on 23rd November 2023. The Policy and Parish statement are displayed on notice boards in church and on our website. Safeguarding is a standing agenda item at PCC meetings.

The parish safeguarding officer (PSO) is supported by Michelle Brammeier as the parish link for vulnerable adults.

The PSO maintains the Parish register of all PCC members and Trustees, and volunteers. The register records details of DBS checks where required, safer recruitment self-declarations and of training undertaken by officers of the church and volunteers. All members of the PCC and those responsible for leading children's groups have undertaken the recommended training.

The PSO regularly attends the termly Parish Safeguarding Officer Forum delivered by the safeguarding team at the Diocese.

There were no safeguarding incidents reported during 2023.

Church Building and Grounds

The churchwardens continued to address the fabric and building needs of St Peter's. The following works were completed during 2023:

9 March - BES Heating inspection. This is an annual safety inspection.

20 April - Quinquennial Inspection

As discussed at the PCC meeting, the main problem is the stonework. However, we do *need to look at repainting the railings and church doors.*

11 May - A full inspection of all electrical circuits and a PAT Test.

The PAT test will be carried out every 2 years and a full electrical circuit test every 5 years for insurance compliance.

26 May - All 3 boilers had their annual service by AMG Group.

21 June – Car park meter serviced.

26 June - New CD Player installed by Makerfield Sound.

29 June - Direct Fire & Safety Ltd

Replaced all fire extinguishers, fire blanket, added new signs and 2 new stands. We now have an up-to-date fire safety certificate. They will be inspected on an annual basis and serviced if required.

7 July - Asbestos removed from around the organ bellows.

1 Sep - Makerfield Sound Service Call.

6 Sept- Organ tuned.

8 Sep - Replaced the amplifier for the loop system.

14 Sep - Handrail fitted to the stairs leading to the bell ringing chamber.

18 Dec - All remedial work has been completed for our electrical certificate.

The Churchwardens would like to thank everyone who worked so hard throughout the year to keep St Peter's going. You really are appreciated!

Financial Review

Total funds held by the PCC at the end of 2023 were £64,746, with £41,454 of this being held in restricted funds. The overall deficit for 2023 was £15,155.

There was a decrease in planned giving and collections at services but an increase in the gift-aid claimed, so overall income from giving and donations was similar to 2022. We did not receive any legacies in 2023.

Fund-raising events raised over £7,000 after costs and the fees we receive from the car park continue to be a valuable source of income. We are grateful to our parishioners for the support they give to St Peter's, not just in monetary terms but also with the giving of their time and talents.

Our biggest expenditure was Parish Share at over £60,000. In order to pay this in full, the PCC made the decision in December (after consultation with the Archdeacon and the Diocese) to reduce our reserve (the money held in our general account) from £15,000 to £10,000.

Other major expenditures were for electrical and roofing repairs, insurance, gas and electricity. Our existing gas and electricity contracts ran out at the end of December and new three-year contracts were taken out which will mean our costs will increase considerably from 1 January 2024.

We expect 2024 to be a very challenging year financially and it is unlikely that we will be able to pay Parish Share in full.

Giving to Charities

In the past twelve months, we have supported the following charities through organised events, direct giving and fundraising:

- Christian Aid
- Ukraine through the DEC
- The Hope Centre Foodbank
- Macmillan
- The Children's Society.

Please refer to the Financial Statements for more detailed information.

Report signed by Rev James Taylor

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rev James Taylor', written in a cursive style.

Position: Chair of the PCC

Date: 11 April 2024

St. Peter's Parish Church, Newton-in-Makerfield

Financial Statements for the year ending 31 December 2023

Receipts and Payments Accounts		2023	2023	2023	2022
		£	£	£	£
Receipts	Notes	Unrest.	Restricted	Total	Total
<i>Voluntary Receipts</i>					
Planned Giving Gift Aided		27841		27841	29225
Other Planned Giving		3356		3356	3313
Collections at services		6486		6486	8198
Gift Aid recovered		12706		12706	10021
		<u>50389</u>		<u>50389</u>	<u>50757</u>
<i>Other voluntary Income</i>					
All other giving and sundry donations		3317		3317	3714
Donations to CBF Bells Restoration Fund		0		0	50
Legacies		0		0	0
		<u>3317</u>		<u>3317</u>	<u>3764</u>
<i>Activities for generating funds</i>					
Sponsored Walk (Rev Chris)		767		767	
Spring Craft Fair		1511		1511	1498
Queen's Platinum Jubilee Day		0		0	1121
Autumn Craft Fair		0		0	1353
Christmas Fair		3436		3436	3445
Brass Band Concert		2163		2163	1877
Other events & sales		389		389	0
		<u>8266</u>		<u>8266</u>	<u>9294</u>
<i>Receipts from church activities</i>					
Fees - Weddings and Funerals	1	5802		5802	7710
Tea/Coffee		229		229	109
Hire of Annexe and Church		870		870	250
Fees - Car Park	2	7717		7717	5059
		<u>14618</u>		<u>14618</u>	<u>13128</u>
<i>Investment income</i>					
Interest from CBF Funds		<u>414</u>	<u>1303</u>	<u>1717</u>	<u>723</u>
<i>Other Ordinary Income</i>					
Heating Grant		450		450	1000
Refunds on Vicarage Council Tax & Utilities		615		615	0
St John's & St Michael's share of vicarage costs		0		0	1945
		<u>1065</u>		<u>1065</u>	<u>2945</u>
Total Receipts		<u>78069</u>	<u>1303</u>	<u>79372</u>	<u>80611</u>

St. Peter's Parish Church, Newton-in-Makerfield
Financial Statements for the year ending 31 December 2023

	2023	2023	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Payments	Notes	Unrest.	Restricted	Total
<i>Cost of generating Voluntary Income</i>		<u>242</u>		<u>242</u> <u>158</u>
<i>Church Activities</i>				
Donations St. Peter's School		500		500 500
Other donations	2	574		574 651
		<u>1074</u>		<u>1074</u> <u>1151</u>
<i>Ministry - Parish Share</i>		<u>60090</u>		<u>60090</u> <u>49576</u>
<i>Church Running Expenses</i>				
Insurance		6960		6960 6816
Utilities - Gas and Electricity		7125		7125 7315
Utilities - Water		511		511 554
		<u>14596</u>		<u>14596</u> <u>14685</u>
<i>Clergy Expenses</i>				
Clergy mileage & expenses		84		84 329
Relief Clergy from PCC funds		2240		2240 1232
Vicarage Council Tax and Water		861		861 2477
		<u>3185</u>		<u>3185</u> <u>4038</u>
<i>Cost of services</i>				
Sanctuary		633		633 517
Organist (Monthly Fees)		945		945 1008
Sundry including Petty Cash		1807		1807 671
Repairs and maintenance		7260	2112	9372 2261
Servicing of organ/piano		0	816	816 559
Accountancy and Professional Fees		0		0 300
Printing, Stationery, Website & Wi-Fi		716		716 558
		<u>11361</u>	<u>2928</u>	<u>14289</u> <u>5874</u>
<i>Fund Raising costs</i>				
Spring Craft Fair		50		50 102
Autumn Craft Fair		0		0 24
Christmas Fair		313		313 317
Brass Band Concert		650		650 650
		<u>1013</u>		<u>1013</u> <u>1093</u>
<i>Other</i>				
Fees paid to Diocese for 2020 & 2021		0		0 9463
Sunday School supplies			38	38 0
			<u>38</u>	<u>38</u> <u>9463</u>
Total Payments		<u>91561</u>	<u>2966</u>	<u>94527</u> <u>86038</u>
Excess of Receipts over Payments				-15155 -5427
Total Funds as at 1 January				79901 85328
Total Funds as at 31 December				64746 79901

St. Peter's Parish Church, Newton-in-Makerfield

Financial Statements for the year ending 31 December 2023

Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31 December 2023

		2023	2023	2023	2022
		£	£	£	£
Monetary Assets	Notes	Unrest.	Restricted	Total	Total
Nat West - General a/c		14,491		14,491	22,628
Nat West - No 2 a/c - Organ & choir			644	644	1,460
Nat West - No 3 a/c - Sunday School			962	962	1,000
CBF Fund Building & Fabric		8,700		8,700	14,129
CBF Fund Bell Restoration & M'tnc			7,609	7,609	9,419
CBF Fund Hand Bells			711	711	689
CBF Fund De Looze Flag			1,414	1,414	1,370
CBF Fund Tower Bell General			6,621	6,621	6,415
CBF Fund Stonework			23,493	23,493	22,763
Petty cash & Tea/coffee cash		101		101	28
Total		23,292	41,454	64,746	79,901

Non-Monetary Assets

None

Notes to the accounts

1. Fees

Wedding & Funeral Fees are made up of PCC fees (which are included in the financial statements) and 'agency' fees which are not included. The 'agency' fees below were paid in and paid out of the PCC's account:

Liverpool Diocesan Board of Finance	3962
Relief clergy	1195
Bellringers	630
Organists	2300
Verger	1600
Total	9687

2. Donations

The PCC received a variable amount of income each month from the car park contractor. This included a % of the money the contractor raised from imposing fines to car park users.

These amounts have been donated by the PCC to the following:

DEC Ukraine Appeal	144.00
Christian Aid	146.00
The Children's Society	158.00
Hope Centre Food Bank	126.00
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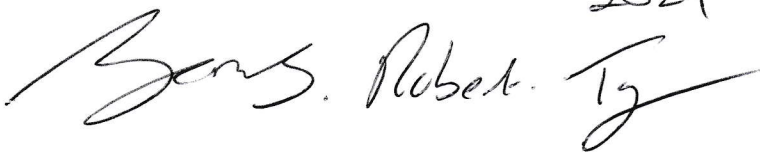
DEC Turkey/Syria Appeal	25.00
Christian Aid - Libya Flood Appeal	65.00
Christian Aid	20.00
Macmillan Coffee Morning	521.00
Children's Society - Christingle Service	15.00
Hope Centre Food Bank - Coffee morning	237.00
Diocese - Rev James Licensing Service	428.00
Total	1311.00

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Approved by the PCC at its meeting on 11 April 2024 and signed on its behalf by -



Rev James Taylor - Chair of PCC



Wendy Jones - PCC Treasurer



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
St Peter's Church, Newton in Makerfield

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31st December 2023 **Charity no
(if any)** 1133794

Set out on pages

8-11
Remember to include the page numbers of additional pages

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

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

Signed:

P Dodd

Date:

23/04/2024

Name:

Pam Dodd, Accounting Clinic, Liverpool Business School, LJMU

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

N/A

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Accounts

**ST. PETER'S CHURCH, NEWTON-IN-MAKERFIELD - 791
CHURCH STREET, NEWTON-LE-WILLOWS, WA12 9SR**

ANNUAL REPORT and FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

of the

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

Banks:

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Independent Examiner:

Accounting Clinic at Liverpool John Moores University

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Administrative Information:

St. Peter's Church is located on Church St., Newton-le-Willows, WA12 9SR. The parish is part of the Newton Team in the Diocese of Liverpool. Official correspondence should be sent to the PCC Secretary:

Tamsin Halliwell

6 Findlay Close

Newton le Willows

WA12 8RF

Secretary's Report:

I came to the role of new secretary of the PCC in May 2022 after being a member of the PCC for several months. I am very grateful for the support which I have received since acquiring my new role.

This year, we have found ourselves still with a vacancy for a vicar here at St. Peter's Church. Despite this, we have been able to keep St. Peter's open as usual offering its usual services thanks to the support of the 'Hope Hub.' We have been extremely grateful for their support over the past twelve months and look forward to working together more next year.

Church numbers are still in decline from before the pandemic, however, we are optimistic that numbers will increase in 2023.

Despite the difficulties our Church has faced this year, we have tried to incorporate as many events as possible into our Church Calendar. All events were well-attended and enjoyed by all.

This year also saw changes in the members of our PCC. Sadly, we lost a long-standing member of our PCC when Sue Cooke passed away in September 2022. Sue will be sadly missed by all who knew her and we are eternally grateful for the role in which she played on the PCC and as a member of our congregation.

Kathleen Johnson also joined the PCC as our new member in July 2022.

Furthermore, the PCC has been vital this year supporting the Church to acquire a new Team Vicar. Collectively, we devised the Church Profile and attended the S11 meeting in November 2022. We hope that this role will be filled by late summer 2023.

PCC and Ex-Officio Members

Members of the PCC are elected at the Annual Parish Meeting (APM) in accordance with Church Representation Rules. There are also some members with ex-officio status.

Clergy – Reverend Chris Stafford (Chair)

Ordinand - Annie Houghton

Readers Emeritus - Dorothy Matthews and Audrey Myers

Churchwardens - James Robb and William Irving

Churchwarden Emeritus - Albert Waterworth

Vice Chair - Phil Brammeier

Deanery Synod Reps - Ian Henry, Annie Houghton (although Annie stepped down this year due to her Ordination training), Kathryn Cunliffe, James Robb

Treasurer - Wendy Jones

Secretary – Tamsin Halliwell

PCC Members

- Reverend Chris Stafford
- Elaine Fairhurst
- Helen Archibald
- Sue Hutton
- Glenn Hutton
- Sue Cooke (until September 2022 when Sue sadly passed away)
- William Irving
- Charles Fuller
- Kathryn Cunliffe
- Jim Robb
- Tamsin Halliwell
- Ian Henry
- Phil Brammeier
- Wendy Jones
- Kathleen Johnson

The Standing Committee

This is the only committee required by law. It has the power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the Council.

Members of the Standing Committee:

Chair – Reverend Chris Stafford

Churchwardens - William Irving & Jim Robb

Treasurer - Wendy Jones

Secretary – Tamsin Halliwell

Other Responsibilities

Legal Advisor - Given through Diocese of Liverpool

Architect - Grimshaw Associates

Electoral Roll Officer - Sue Hutton

Child Protection Co-ordinator - Sharon Brammeier

Vulnerable Adults Co-ordinator - Michelle Brammeier

Parish Bulletin– Ian Henry

Website Editor - Wendy Jones

GDPR – TBC (currently being reviewed by PCC)

Gift Aid Officer – Sharon Brammeier

Structure, Management and Governance

St Peter's PCC operates under the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956 and the Church Representation Rules. The PCC is a charity registered with the Charity Commission. (Charity number 1133794)

All church members are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC. The method of appointment of PCC members is as set out in the Church Representation Rules. The size of the Parochial Church Council is determined by the numbers on the electoral roll: Currently the Parochial Church Council is made up of 14 members in total; 5 ex-officio, 9 elected.

Four Deanery Synod representatives are elected every three years and these, along with the Vicar, Readers and Church Wardens are ex-officio members.

In 2022, the PCC were able to resume to in-person person meetings after the relaxation of Covid19 regulations.

The PCC has a Standing committee, which meets as necessary between full meetings.

The Standing Committee operates under Terms of Reference approved by the PCC and reports to the PCC at the next full meeting.

The PCC can recommend for appointment to the Diocese of Liverpool of six Foundation Governors of St. Peter's Church of England Primary School, Birley Street, Newton-le-Willows. The vicar of St. Peter's is an ex-officio member of the Governing Body of the school.

A member of the congregation of St. Peters, Sharon Brammeier, is Chair of the Governing Body.

Individual PCC members receive training as and when deemed appropriate by the PCC. Training may include trustee responsibility training, basic health and safety, risk assessment and management, child protection procedures (Basic Awareness). A major provider of such training is the Diocese of Liverpool.

During this year the Liverpool Diocesan Board of Finance acted as custodian trustee for the inalienable property of the church.

Risk Assessments

Financial Risk

On the advice of the Diocese, £15,000 is kept in reserve in our general account. Annual budget setting and monitoring is carried out by the PCC.

Health and Safety

This year, we have not had to adhere to our previous Covid19 Risk Assessment. Despite this, as a church, we felt it necessary to allow people to feel safe when coming to church. As a result of this, we still offer facemasks to anyone who feels the need to wear one and we also have sanitiser available at the entrance of our church.

The Churchwardens ensure that the Church is kept free of any hazards, that heating boilers are serviced regularly. The Health and Safety Policy including fire procedures is reviewed and updated on a regular basis.

First aid kits are sited at each end of the building. The accident book is kept in the Vestry office. A defibrillator is sited in the annex.

Each member of church who is a First-aider is now required to possess a "First Aid at Work" certificate.

Security

The Church is protected by a well-maintained alarm. The number of keys issued to Church members is limited. A floodlight illuminates the car park while groups are occupying the Church in the evening. Valuables, such as the church laptop, are kept in the office or locked away.

Children and Vulnerable Adult Protection

The PCC last adopted the Safeguarding Policy – Promoting a Safer Church and the policy statement on children and young people at the PCC meeting on 20th September 2022, as recommended by the Diocese. The parish also follows the guidance as given in the Church of England 'Parish Safeguarding Handbook'.

All PCC members, officers and volunteers undertaking roles such as Sunday School teacher and Parish Visitors are required to complete the self-declaration form and where required, a DBS check.

Officers responsible for child protection and protection for vulnerable adults and all members of the PCC have completed the Foundation on-line training offered by the Diocese.

There were no safeguarding incidents reported during 2022.

Objectives and Activities

The Primary objective of St Peter's PCC is to promote the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England.

St. Peter's is part of the Newton Team in the Diocese of Liverpool, which includes the five Anglican parishes that geographically cover the areas of Newton-le-Willows, Earlestown and

Burtonwood.

There are five churches: All Saints, Emmanuel, St. John's, St. Michael's and St. Peter's. The Rev, Chris Stafford is Team Rector over all five churches.

The PCC is responsible for working with the Team Vicar of St. Peter's and the other clergy and churches of the Newton Team, in promoting the whole mission of the Church: pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

It works together with the Clergy and the Churchwardens of St. Peter's to ensure continuity of ministry for regular services and to ensure that Sunday school and other Church groups are run and staffed properly.

The PCC has responsibility to manage the finances of the Church and to care for the Church building. It liaises with the higher Councils of the Church of England through its representation on the Deanery Synod and participates in diocesan funding through its contribution to the 'Parish Share'.

The general functions of the PCC are stated within Section 2 of the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956.

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

PCC Objectives

Church Building and Grounds

During 2022 the churchwardens have continued to address the fabric and building needs of St. Peter's. Please see below the work completed in 2022:

- All issues with the lighting in church has been completed.
- Internal decoration of the annexe- Awaiting diocese approval to replace the lighting.
- PAT test on all items completed.
- Full electrical test on all circuits in the building completed.
- Boilers have been independently tested.
- Fire Extinguisher tests completed.
- Annexe roof is now repaired.

Proposed work for 2023:

- Handrail installation on the staircase to bell ringing chamber.
- Removal of Asbestos around organ blower.
- Repair the ceiling and install new lighting in the annexe.

Growth Agenda

The PCC continued to be committed to the Growth Agenda of the Diocese of Liverpool.

Financial Review

Total funds held by the PCC at the end of 2022 were £79,901, with £43,116 of this being in restricted funds. This is an overall decrease of £5427 in our funds compared to 2021 and reflects the financial challenges we are facing.

Planned giving was down by over £3000 compared to 2021 and we did not receive any legacies.

We received some much-needed income from the car park and held successful fund-raising events, which raised over £8000. We are very grateful to all who give, support and contribute to St Peter's.

Parish Share was paid in full (assisted by the fact that we received a reduction from the National Church of over £9,000). We also paid the Diocese the outstanding fees due to them for 2020 and 2021 and we also paid the fees for 2022 in full.

Previous financial statements have included monies handled on behalf of others (e.g., wedding and funerals fees taken for bellringers and vergers and fees due to the Diocese) and these have been shown within the Receipts (income) and Payments (expenditure) figures. For the first time, these 'agency' fees as they are known, have not been included in the Receipts and Payments. Instead, they have been shown separately at the end of the Financial Statements. Consequently, comparison between some 2021 and 2022 figures should be viewed with these changes in mind.

Community

This year, we have been able to hold more events within our local community due to the relaxation of the Covid19 rules and regulations. We have held a range of social and fundraising events:

- Christmas Fair,
- Spring Craft Fair,
- Autumn Craft Fair,
- Queen's Platinum Jubilee Open Day with Strawberry Tea,
- Crafty Christingle Service,
- We had a presence at the Annual Newton Town Show,
- Carol service for the Christmas Tree Switch on,
- World Prayer Day,
- Hot Pot Supper Evening,
- Brass Band Concert.

All events were well attended and enjoyed by both members and non-members of the Church.

We have also kept the members of our church informed about Church life via our Church's Parish Bulletin which is sent out weekly via e-mail.

Membership

In 2022, there were 207 members on the electoral roll. We have acquired 11 new members this year and sadly lost 6 members due to bereavement. One person was removed the Electoral Roll given that they no longer meet the requirements.

Worship

At St. Peter's, we currently offer the following services:

9.30 am Sunday Parish Communion service

10.00 am Wednesday Holy Communion service

We made the decision to temporarily suspend our 8 am Sunday service due to very low numbers in attendance and the cost of opening the Church for this service. We will review this decision later in 2023.

The choir now sings every Sunday at our 9.30am service.

In 2022, we held 34 Baptisms, 11 Weddings and 31 funerals were conducted.

We have not held any confirmation classes this year but hope to do so in 2023.

Attendance

The average attendance for Sunday services was 75 adults and 20 children.

A total of 134 attended the Easter Services.

A total of 676 attended the Advent Services.

There were 233 members of our worshipping community at the end of 2022 consisting of:

- 31 children aged 0-10
- 36 young people aged 11-17
- 140 adults aged 18-69
- 36 adults aged 70+

A total of 15 adults joined our worshipping community in 2022 and 10 Adults left. A total of 10 young people joined our community and 15 left in 2022.

Open Church

Open Church is a monthly opportunity to visit St. Peters when there is nothing else happening inside the building and enjoy a period of silence, peace, prayer and reflection. It has been taking place for several years and is open to all-those of Christian faith and those who are not. Unfortunately, this year, Open Church has only run for a few months due to our co-ordinator, Bob Dickinson, having an accident. We hope that this service will resume in the future.

The Newton Team: 'Hope Hub'

Team ministry has been invaluable during our time of vacancy. The support of the Hope Hub has enabled us to continue to run St. Peter's Church at full capacity, despite not having a vicar at present. We have had the support of Clergy from the other churches in the Hub and we are extremely grateful that the team has been able to accommodate our services here at St. Peter's.

We have implanted a 'Shared Service' between churches in the Hub and have a shared service every 5th Sunday of the month.

St Peter's School

Unfortunately, we have not been able to be as involved with our Primary School as we would have liked this year, due to us not having a Vicar still. However, the school has made use of Church facilities on a couple of occasions this year as part of their RE curriculum. Additionally, the pupils were involved in the Queen's Jubilee Celebrations by making cards to decorate the Church with. Finally, some services have also been attended by members of the school.

Church Groups

The Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Rangers, Beavers, Cubs and Scouts are currently some of our uniformed organisations. They attend our monthly uniformed Parade Service.

The Church Groups have also been involved in various events this year at St. Peter's and we thank them for their continued support.

Other church groups include:

- Mothers' Union,
- Sunday School
- The Gardening Group
- Bells Ringing Group
- Hand Bells Ringing Group

Charity work

In the past twelve months, we have supported the following charities through organised events, direct giving and fundraising:

- Christian Aid,
- Ukraine through the DEC,
- The Hope Centre foodbank,
- Macmillan,
- The Children's Society.

Please refer to the Financial Statements for more detailed information.

Summary

Although the last twelve months has been challenging for St. Peters, the PCC, Standing Committee and Church Wardens have continued to carry out their duties and have been vital in the smooth running of St. Peter's in this time of our vacancy. In addition, the Church Wardens have ensured that the Fabric of the Church has been kept in good order throughout the year.

Throughout 2022, our Christian objectives have remained the same as previous years. We believe that we continue to provide a benefit to the public, with the following objectives:

- To Love the Lord our God and be open to him through regular public worship open to all:
- The provision of a sacred space for personal prayer and contemplation
- To help people who have asked for assistance with prayer.
- To provide more variety in our services in order to enhance the experience of our worship.
- To Love our neighbours and be open to them through Pastoral work including visiting the sick, bereaved and elderly.
- Religious instruction for children either in St Peter's School and on the Church premises.
- Promoting the Mission of the Church through activities in the wider community.
- Supporting other charities in the UK and overseas.
- To Love each other through Christian fellowship
- Teaching God's love through sermons, courses and small groups.
- To promote good working relations across the Newton Team and Ecumenically.

The Churchwardens, PCC and the Newton Team appreciate the support they have received throughout the year from the congregation.

Finally, St. Peter's Church gratefully hosted the Archdeacon's visitation on 28th June 2022.

Report Signed by Rev Chris Stafford

Position - Newton Team Rector

Date - 16.4.2023



St. Peter's Parish Church, Newton-in-Makerfield

Financial Statements for the year ending 31 December 2022

Receipts and Payments Accounts		2022	2022	2022	2021
		£	£	£	£
Receipts	Notes	Unrest.	Restricted	Total	Total
<i>Voluntary Receipts</i>					
Planned Giving Gift Aided		29225		29225	32556
Other Planned Giving		3313		3313	3197
Collections at services		8198		8198	7230
Gift Aid recovered		10021		10021	16110
		50757		50757	59093
<i>Other voluntary Income</i>					
All other giving and sundry donations		3714		3714	3351
Donations to CBF 3001 Building and Fabric					100
Donations to CBF 3002 Bells Restoration			50	50	
Donations to CBF 3004 De Looze Flag					705
Legacies					7514
		3714	50	3764	11670
<i>Activities for generating funds</i>					
Sponsored Walk					1118
Burns Night 2020					112
Spring Craft Fair		1498		1498	
Queen's Platinum Jubilee Day		1121		1121	
Autumn Craft Fair		1353		1353	
Christmas Fair		3445		3445	3517
Brass Band Concert		1877		1877	
		9294		9294	4747
<i>Receipts from church activities</i>					
Fees - Weddings and Funerals	1	7710		7710	12821
Tea/Coffee		109		109	88
Hire of Annexe and Church		250		250	1147
Fees - Car Park	2	5059		5059	
		13128		13128	14056
<i>Investment income</i>					
Interest from CBF Funds		196	527	723	32
<i>Other Ordinary Income</i>					
Area Dean Grant					1000
Heating Grant		1000		1000	
St John's & St Michael's share of vicarage costs		1945		1945	
		2945		2945	1000
Total Receipts		80034	577	80611	90598

St. Peter's Parish Church, Newton-in-Makerfield

Financial Statements for the year ending 31 December 2022

	Notes	2022 £ Unrest.	2022 £ Restricted	2022 £ Total	2021 £ Total
Payments					
<i>Cost of generating Voluntary Income</i>		<u>158</u>		<u>158</u>	<u>70</u>
<i>Church Activities</i>					
Donations St. Peter's School		500		500	500
Other donations	2	651		651	
		<u>1151</u>		<u>1151</u>	<u>500</u>
<i>Ministry - Parish Share</i>		<u>49576</u>		<u>49576</u>	<u>52491</u>
<i>Church Running Expenses</i>					
Insurance		6816		6816	6634
Utilities - Gas and Electricity		7315		7315	5551
Utilities - Water		554		554	472
		<u>14685</u>		<u>14685</u>	<u>12657</u>
<i>Clergy Expenses</i>					
Clergy mileage & expenses		329		329	290
Relief Clergy		1232		1232	449
Vicarage Council Tax and Water		2477		2477	2933
Newton Team Curate					2122
		<u>4038</u>		<u>4038</u>	<u>5794</u>
<i>Cost of services</i>					
Sanctuary		517		517	241
Organist (Monthly Fees)		1008		1008	294
Verger/Bellringers/ Organist	1				2930
Sundry		671		671	390
Subscriptions and Conferences					45
Repairs and maintenance		2261		2261	11082
Servicing of organ/piano			559	559	242
Accountancy and Professional Fees		300		300	900
Printing, Stationery, Website & Wi-Fi		558		558	210
		<u>5315</u>	<u>559</u>	<u>5874</u>	<u>16334</u>
<i>Fund Raising costs</i>					
Spring Craft Fair		102		102	
Autumn Craft Fair		24		24	
Christmas Fair		317		317	140
Brass Band Concert		650		650	
		<u>1093</u>		<u>1093</u>	<u>140</u>
<i>Other</i>					
Fees paid to Diocese for 2020 & 2021		9463		9463	3873
Wedding Fee refunds					11
		<u>9463</u>		<u>9463</u>	<u>3884</u>
Total Payments		<u>85479</u>	<u>559</u>	<u>86038</u>	<u>91870</u>
Excess of Receipts over Payments				-5427	-1272
Total Funds as at 1 January 2022				85328	86600
Total Funds as at 31 December 2022				79901	85328

St. Peter's Parish Church, Newton-in-Makerfield

Financial Statements for the year ending 31 December 2022

Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31 December 2022

		2022	2022	2022	2021
		£	£	£	£
Monetary Assets	Notes	Unrest.	Restricted	Total	Total
Nat West - General a/c		22,628		22,628	26,369
Nat West - No 2 a/c - Organ & choir			1,460	1,460	2,019
Nat West - No 3 a/c - Sunday School			1,000	1,000	1,000
CBF Fund 3001 Building & Fabric		14,129		14,129	15,834
CBF Fund 3002 Bell Restoration & M'tnc			9,419	9,419	9,247
CBF Fund 3003 Hand Bells			689	689	680
CBF Fund 3004 De Looze Flag			1,370	1,370	1,352
CBF Fund 3006 Tower Bell General			6,415	6,415	6,332
CBF Fund 3007 Stonework			22,763	22,763	22,468
Petty cash & Tea/coffee cash		28		28	27
Total		36,785	43,116	79,901	85,328

Non-Monetary Assets

None

Notes to the accounts.

1. Fees

Wedding & Funeral Fees are made up of PCC fees (which are included in the financial statements) and 'agency' fees which are not included. The 'agency' fees below were paid in and paid out of the PCC's account:

Liverpool Diocesan Board of Finance	5360
Relief clergy	1557
Bellringers	1620
Organists	2340
Verger	2150
Total	13027

2. Donations

The PCC received a variable amount of income each month from the car park contractor. This included a % of the money the contractor raised from imposing fines to car park users.

These amounts have been donated by the PCC to the following:

DEC Ukraine Appeal	106.80
Christian Aid	210.00
The Children's Society	176.45
Hope Centre Food Bank	83.15
Total	576.40

The monies donated by parishioners to other charities are not included in the financial statements as these are classed as 'agency' transactions.

The following amounts were paid in and paid out of the PCC's account:

Canon Stephen's leaving gift	315.00
DEC Ukraine Appeal	920.24
Christian Aid Week	88.00
Macmillan Coffee Morning	463.50
Children's Society (Christingle)	45.00
Total	1831.74

3. The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts and Payments basis.

4. The following assets are recognised but not necessarily valued in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities: moveable church furnishings held by the Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC which require a faculty for disposal.

5. The expenses paid to clergy may include a small immaterial proportion which relates to their function as PCC members. No other member of the PCC received any payment for being a member of the PCC

Approved by the PCC at its meeting on 5 April 2023 and signed on its behalf by -



Rev Chris Stafford - Chair of PCC



Wendy Jones - PCC Treasurer



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

St Peter's Parish Church, Newton-in-Makerfield

On accounts for the year
ended

31st December 2022

Charity no
(if any)

1133794

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 / 12 / 2022.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

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

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

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

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

Signed: *Katie Hall*

Date: 20th March 2023

Name: Katie Hall

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

N/A

Address:

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Section B**Disclosure**

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

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Official correspondence should be sent to the PCC Secretary:

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7 Park Road North
Newton le Willows
WA12 9TF

Secretary's Report

Another year has passed and the dreaded Covid19 virus reinvented itself regularly and caused havoc with our plans and schedules. We thank God for the new technologies which have allowed people to keep in touch. We opened up our church for worship at Easter 2021. Attendance wise, people are still wary and not everyone came back to church initially, but numbers are creeping up and confidence is returning.

There was only one church social event in the summer. A small marquee was put up in the church garden and food and fellowship was shared along with a rather difficult general knowledge quiz.

In September our incumbent Rev Stephen was interviewed and was subsequently appointed to be Team Rector of Culcheth and Croft and Priest in Charge of Winwick. His last service at St Peter's was on January 9th 2022. Rev Stephen worked extremely hard to ensure that St. Peter's Church was as prepared as we could be for our time in vacancy.

It was with great sadness that we were informed of the tragic death of Canon Stephen Grey at the start of the 2022 just days after leaving St. Peter's Church. We continue to keep Janette and their children in our prayers.

This report has been prepared by the Standing Committee along with reports from Church contributors. The Standing Committee wish to express their thanks to everyone involved with St Peter's Church for ensuring that a worshipping presence continues to grow and thrive in the Parish.

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Churchwardens - James Robb and William Irving

Churchwarden Emeritus - Albert Waterworth

Deputy Churchwardens - Victoria Whiteside (up-to 20th May 2021)

Vice Chair - Phil Brammeier

Deanery Synod Reps - Ian Henry/Annie Houghton/ Canon Stephen Grey/ Kathryn Cunliffe

Treasurer - Wendy Jones

Secretary - Kathryn Cunliffe

PCC Members

- Elaine Fairhurst
- Lianne Burgess
- Helen Archibald
- Sue Cooke
- Sue Hutton
- Glenn Hutton
- Serena Meadows (up to May 20th 2021)
- Debbie Livesey
- William Irving
- Lisa Whittaker
- Kathryn Cunliffe
- Jim Robb
- Ian Henry
- Annie Houghton
- Phil Bremmeier
- Wendy Jones

The Standing Committee

This is the only committee required by law. It has the power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the Council.

Chair - Rev Canon Stephen Grey
Churchwardens - William Irving & Jim Robb
Treasurer - Wendy Jones
Secretary - Kathryn Cunliffe

Other Responsibilities

Legal Advisor - Given through Diocese of Liverpool
Architect - Grimshaw Associates
Electoral Roll Officer - Sue Hutton
Child Protection Co-ordinator – Sharon Brammeier
Vulnerable Adults Co-ordinator - Michelle Brammeier
Parish News letter - Rev Canon Stephen Grey
Website Editor – Wendy Jones
GDPR - David Smith
Gift Aid Officer - Janette Grey
Christian Aid Rep – Janette Grey

Structure, Management and Governance

St Peter's PCC operates under the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956 and the Church Representation Rules. The PCC is a charity registered with the Charity Commission. (Charity number 1133794)

All church members are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC. The method of appointment of PCC members is as set out in the Church Representation Rules. The size of the Parochial Church Council is determined by the numbers on the electoral roll: currently the Parochial Church Council is made up of 17 members in total; 8 ex-officio, 9 elected.

Each year at the Annual Parochial Meeting, five elected members retire after having served for three years (or an unexpired portion thereof) and five new members are elected for a three-year term.

Four Deanery Synod representatives are elected every three years and these, along with the Vicar, Readers, Wardens and Deputy Wardens are ex-officio members.

In 2021, the PCC continued to meet in person or via zoom.

The PCC has a Standing committee, which meets as necessary between full meetings. The Standing Committee operates under Terms of Reference approved by the PCC and reports to the PCC at the next full meeting.

The PCC can recommend for appointment to the Diocese of Liverpool four Foundation Governors of St. Peter's Church of England Aided Primary School, Birley St, Newton-Le-Willows. The vicar of St. Peter's is an ex-officio member of the Governing Body of the school. A member of the congregation of St. Peters, Sharon Brammeier, is Chair of the Governing Body.

Individual PCC members receive training as and when deemed appropriate by the PCC. Training may include trustee responsibility training, basic health and safety, risk assessment and management, child protection procedures (Basic Awareness). A major provider of such training is the Diocese of Liverpool.

During this year the Liverpool Diocesan Board of Finance acted as custodian trustee for the inalienable property of the church.

Risk Assessments

Financial Risk

On the advice of the Diocese, £15,000 should be kept in reserve.

All assets are insured and levels have been reviewed and approved by the PCC. Smart Water has been applied to precious metals to ensure full reclaim value in the event of theft.

Annual budget setting and monitoring is carried out by the PCC. Online banking has been introduced with appropriate safeguards.

Health and Safety

Coronavirus Pandemic Risk Assessment

During 2021 the government announced a National Lockdown due to Covid19.

The PCC, following the guidance from Bishop Paul and Rev Stephen decided to close for Corporate Worship during the lockdown for the safety of our members and all our user groups. The National lockdown lasted until April 4th.

In order to reopen our doors once again, our church needed to be Covid19 compliant. The risk assessment undertaken continued to include many considerations, below is a list of the main requirements that needed to be made, these restrictions remained in place for most of the year:

- The introduction of wooden pews with alternate rows with restricted use
- A one way system
- Laminated signage
- A Booking in system

- No Choir or Singing permitted
- Shorter services (approx. 30 min duration)
- Individual Administration of Holy Communion 'in one kind'
- Cash Handling process and Electronic 'Sum Up '
- Ventilation
- Social Distancing and mask wearing
- Hand sanitisation points
- Antibacterial Cleaning after each Service
- Recorded Viewing of online Funeral Services

The Churchwardens ensure that the Church is kept free of any hazards, that heating boilers are serviced regularly. The Health and Safety Policy including fire procedures is reviewed and updated on a regular basis.

First aid kits are sited at each end of the building. The accident book is kept in the vestry office. A defibrillator is sited in the annex and some PCC members have received training on how to use it.

The list of First Aid Helpers has been reviewed with each member now required to possess a "First Aid at Work" certificate.

Security

The Church is protected by a well-maintained alarm. The number of keys issued to Church members is limited. A floodlight illuminates the car park while groups are occupying the Church in the evening.

Children and Vulnerable Adult Protection

The PCC follows the guidelines issued by the Diocese of Liverpool regarding the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults. In 2020 the Standing committee carried out a major audit of its Child Protection Policy and this policy is kept under review.

The PCC is extremely appreciative of the important and considerable work that Sharon Brammeier (Child Protection Co-ordinator) and Michelle Brammeier (Vulnerable Adults Co-ordinator) contribute to this task.

All volunteers complete the self-declaration form and those undertaking roles such as Sunday school teacher and Parish Visitors are required to complete a DBS check. Officers responsible for child protection and protection for vulnerable adults have undertaken training from the Diocese. Guidelines issued by the Diocese have been discussed and adopted by PCC.

The PCC have adopted the Safeguarding Procedures 2015, as recommended by the Diocese, which is displayed on Church notice boards. The Council also approved the Policy Statement on 'children and young people', which is distributed to all parents of Sunday school children.

The Lettings Policy for hire of the Annexe is currently under review to include Safeguarding requirements.

Objectives and Activities

The Primary objective of St Peter's PCC is to promote the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England.

St. Peter's is part of the Newton Team in the Diocese of Liverpool, which includes the five Anglican parishes that geographically cover the areas of Newton-Le-Willows, Earlestown and Burtonwood.

There are five churches: All Saints, Emmanuel, St. John's, St. Michael's and St. Peter's. The Rev. Chris Stafford is Team Rector; the Rev. Canon Stephen Grey and Rev. Gareth Banton (up-to Sept) are the Team Vicars. Rev Tim Griffith was appointed the position of Priest in Charge of St Michael's Burtonwood and Associate Priest in Newton Team in September 2021 (Licensed 13th March 2022). Rev Veronica Hancock was licensed to the Newton team on 26th September. Rev Stephen continued as Area Dean.

The PCC is responsible for working with the Team Vicar of St. Peter's and the other clergy and churches of the Newton Team, in promoting the whole mission of the Church: pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

It works together with the Clergy and the Churchwardens of St. Peter's to ensure continuity of ministry for regular services and to ensure that Sunday school and other Church groups are run and staffed properly.

The PCC has responsibility to manage the finances of the Church and to care for the Church building. It liaises with the higher Councils of the Church of England through its representation on the Deanery Synod and participates in diocesan funding through its contribution to the 'Parish Share'.

The general functions of the PCC are stated within Section 2 of the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956.

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

PCC Objectives:

Church Building and Grounds

During 2021 the churchwardens have continued to address the fabric and building needs of St. Peter's. The priorities with the exception of the stonework have now been completed.

Work completed in 2021:

- Replacement of wooden flooring to the Lady Chapel and carpeting
- Cleaning of the guttering
- Roofing Repair to the Annexe
- Boiler Repair
- Repair to the roof of the Church Entrance
- Installation of Car Park Payment system, including fixed lighting
- Clock Repair

A rolling programme of building repairs will need to be put in place.

Repairs to the stonework is ongoing, it was decided in 2020 in view of the cost of this work that a grant application be made to English Heritage.
It was agreed by the PCC to always keep ECO church on the agenda.

Proposed Work for 2022

- Repair electric lights in the Church.
- Internal decoration of the Annexe
- PAT testing of all electrical equipment.
- Fire Extinguisher inspection.
- Undertake Survey to Annexe Roof.

Growth Agenda

The PCC continued to be committed to the Growth Agenda of the Diocese of Liverpool.

Financial Review

At the end of 2021 the total funds held by the PCC were £85,328, with £43,098 of this being in restricted funds.

Income from regular giving and donations was comparable with 2020, and we received £7514 from legacies. As we were able to hold a Christmas Fair in 2021, income from fund-raising was better than in 2020.

As in previous years, the Parish Share was paid in full. Other major expenditure included insurance, electricity and gas for the church, council tax and water rates for the vicarage, and £11,082 in church repairs. The Building and Fabric Fund was used to pay for the repairs with the Lady Chapel costing £5,892, and the majority of the remainder being for repairs to the roof and electrics.

A Generosity and Giving Campaign was held in the autumn, which saw a slight increase in giving, but our expenditure month by month is greater than our income. We are however, very grateful to all who give financially (and of their time) to the church and recognise that we continue to live in challenging times.

Community

Due to Covid19 restrictions and the limited scope regarding mission, all planned outdoor community outreach was put on hold.

St Peters School has also been closed due to the pandemic for several months. However Rev Stephen has maintained close contact with the school and once the school reopened, Rev Stephen continued to deliver school assemblies.

The Christmas Celebrations included a Covid19 secure Christingle service, with limited bookings via Eventbrite. Sunday School reconvened during Advent. The Community Carol service and light 'switch on' went ahead. The annual Brass Band Concert was cancelled due to Covid19. The Church's Facebook Page, Website and 'Church Near You' website has been updated regularly to keep members informed throughout the pandemic in addition to the Churches Parish News Sheet.

Achievement and Performance

Membership

There were 199 members on the electoral roll

Worship

No services were held during the Government controlled lockdown.

Sunday services continued when deemed safe and included:

8am Sunday Holy Communion service

9.30 Sunday Parish Communion service

10 am Wednesday Holy Communion

These services were shorter than usual (approx. 30 min) due to Covid19 restrictions.

The choir did not meet during the pandemic and CD musical accompaniment was provided for worship services for the majority of the year.

Baptisms (12), Weddings (7) and Funerals (13) were conducted in 2021 but due to government restrictions many services had a reduction in numbers.

In December 10 children from St. Peter's Primary School and Newton Academy prepared for Confirmation. A service of Confirmation was officiated by Bishop Geoff Pearson on December 5th.

Attendance

The average attendance for Sunday services is 108

The average attendance on Wednesday HC is 16

A total of 215 attended the Easter Services

A total of 1070 attended the Advent Services

There were 229 members of our worshipping community at the end of 2021.

Total	Children (age 0-10)	Young people (Age 11-17)	Adults (Age 18-69)	Adults (Age 70+)
229	30	35	129	35

A total of 20 Adults joined our worshipping community in 2021 and 10 Adults left. The total number of children remained the same.

Open Church - Bob Dickinson, Co-ordinator for Open Church

Open Church is a monthly opportunity to visit St. Peters when there is nothing else happening inside the building and enjoy a period of silence, peace, prayer and reflection. It has been taking place for several years and is open to all—those of Christian faith and those who are not. Open Church began again after the pandemic and lock down in September 2021 and continued in October and November. As in previous years, it does not happen in December. There was an average of 5/6 who were visiting for different lengths of time, involving a regular cohort who come every month. The event was timed from 4.30 until 6pm on the first Wednesday of the month, and each gathering concluded with a short service of "Night Prayer" in which those who are present pray for the parish of St. Peters and those in need.

The Newton Team: "Hope Hub"

Team ministry has been invaluable during the lockdown with shared ministry taking place online.

These have included:

- Evening Prayer
- Wednesday Morning Services
- Sunday Morning Services

Winwick Deanery Synod Report by Garry Harley

Deanery Synod met once by Zoom during the year on 9th March.

We then met three times in person on 24th June, 23rd September and 25th November.

The main issues were further discussions on:

1. The new Deanery Plan which created **three Mission areas** in the Deanery –

North Lowton and Golborne team. A ready established team. Population 18,500.

Central – potentially moves Burtonwood into the ready established Newton-le-Willows team with Haydock. Population 32,000

South -which brings together Winwick, Culcheth & Croft, Hollinfares & Glazebury. Population 20,000.

This was to ensure that no Priest was working in isolation, and that parishes could work collaboratively with each other, sharing gifts and skills.

Churches in the **South Mission Area** have now set up a **Group council** with reps from each church.

The Area Dean was voted in as Chair of the Group Council and Christine Melia (Churchwarden from Winwick as Vice Chair.) The Archdeacon came to the meetings and spoke frankly about the need to attempt to resolve the financial situation of some of the churches by establishing a payment plan. All the treasurers got together and each church had to be transparent about its assets.

2. Clergy Moves in the Deanery

Rev Canon Stephen Grey was appointed to be Team Rector of Culcheth and Croft/ and Priest-in-Charge of Winwick and with a vision to draw together the Churches of the Group Council into a Mission Partnership.

Stephen was very excited about the project, but sadly Stephen died early in the new year having just left St Peter, Newton-le-Willows.

Rev Andrew Welsby retired from St James Haydock, and Rev Gareth Banton (Curate in the Newton team) has gone to be a Team Vicar in Eccleston Team. A new Team Vicar was appointed for the Newton Team.

Rev Jonathan Stott resigned from the Lowton team but will help out at Newton-le-Willows. St James' Haydock has been advertised and the Culcheth role and the Lowton post will be advertised soon.

St Peter's School

The school children did not attend Church during the Lockdown period which ran from 2nd January till 4th April, due to Covid restrictions.

The children were invited to come to the Church Lychgate to receive daffodils for Mothering Sunday and Palm crosses for Palm Sunday. The school children came into Church in small groups for a special Easter Service.

Members of the church also serve as governors under the leadership of the Chair, Sharon Brammeier. Rev Stephen continued to develop the position of School Chaplain offering pastoral and spiritual support to the whole school body.

Church Groups

- The Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Rangers, Beavers, Cubs and Scouts uniformed organisations have not been able to meet during the pandemic, but following the lifting of Covid19 restriction, the uniformed groups held regularly meetings in the church and monthly Parade service commenced once again.
- We continue to be a Fair Trade Church.
- Other groups for adults, including Bible Study, Choir, Bell Ringers and Mothers Union reconvened once restrictions were lifted.
- The Mothers Union met on several occasions beginning with a Strawberry Tea in April and concluded with a Christmas meal at the local Garden Centre in December.
- The Bible study group met on many occasions, one study in particular looked at 'Living in Love and Faith'

Regular contact has been made with Church Groups as and when required.

Christian Aid and other charities

Campaigns have been delivered for National Charities such as Christian Aid with the option for electronic giving.

A World Day of Prayer Service was available to view on YouTube.

Summary

During the first few months of the year, whilst still in lockdown St Peter's has maintained contact with its members either by personal telephone calls from our Vicar Rev Stephen Grey or via our weekly online newsletter.

Our priority has been to check in regularly with the most vulnerable members of our congregation.

Our Church finances have been seriously affected due to lock down restriction. Without direct giving and particularly the Parish Giving Scheme we would be in a far worse state that we find ourselves in today. Parish share relief has been given by the diocese to struggling churches both in 2021 and 2022

The Church Wardens have ensured that the Fabric of the Church has been kept in good order throughout the year.

The PCC and the Standing Committee have continued to carry out their duties either in person or on-line.

Throughout 2021 our Christian objectives have remained the same even though we may not have been able to carry them out to the extent to which we had planned at the beginning of the year.

We believe that we continue to provide a benefit to the public, with the following objectives:

To Love the Lord our God and be open to him through

- Regular public worship open to all.
- The provision of a sacred space for personal prayer and contemplation
- To help people who have asked for assistance with prayer.
- To provide more variety in our services in order to enhance the experience of our worship.

To Love our neighbours and be open to them through

- Pastoral work including visiting the sick, bereaved and elderly.
- Religious instruction for children either in St Peter's School and on the Church premises.
- Promoting the Mission of the Church through activities in the wider community.
- Supporting other charities in the UK and overseas.

To Love each other through Christian fellowship

- Teaching God's love through sermons, courses and small groups.
- To promote good working relations across the Newton Team and Ecumenically.
- To encourage all members to sign up to the 'Rule of Life'.

The Churchwardens, PCC and the Newton Team appreciate the support they have received throughout the year from the congregation and were pleased that our services have all been so well attended.

St. Peter's Church will host the Archdeacon's visitation on 28th June 2022.

Report Signed by Rev Chris Stafford


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Position – Newton Team Rector

Date - 3.5.22

St. Peter's Parish Church, Newton-in-Makerfield

Financial Statements for the year ending 31 December 2021

Receipts and Payments Accounts

	2021 £	2021 £	2021 £	2020 £
Receipts	Unrest.	Restricted	Total	Total
<i>Voluntary Receipts</i>				
Planned Giving Gift Aided	32556		32556	29441
Other Planned Giving	3197		3197	4430
Collections at services	7230		7230	5483
Gift Aid recovered	16110		16110	23250
	<u>59093</u>		<u>59093</u>	<u>62604</u>
<i>Other voluntary Income</i>				
All other giving and sundry donations	3351		3351	2262
Donations to CBF 3001 Building and Fabric		100	100	
Donations to CBF 3004 De Looze Flag		705	705	
Donations to CBF 3006 Tower Bells				648
Donations to CBF 3007 Stonework				25
Legacies	5014	2500	7514	8646
	<u>8365</u>	<u>3305</u>	<u>11670</u>	<u>11581</u>
<i>Activities for generating funds</i>				
Sponsored Walk	1118		1118	1579
Burns Night 2020	112		112	
Christmas Fair	3517		3517	
Magazine sales and advertising				1205
	<u>4747</u>		<u>4747</u>	<u>2784</u>
<i>Receipts from church activities</i>				
Fees - Weddings and Funerals	12821		12821	9088
Tea/Coffee	88		88	62
Hire of Annexe and Church	1147		1147	790
Team ministry - Expenditure reversed				548
	<u>14056</u>		<u>14056</u>	<u>10488</u>
<i>Investment income</i>				
Interest from CBF Funds	<u>12</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>278</u>
<i>Other Ordinary Income</i>				
Area Dean Grant	<u>1000</u>		<u>1000</u>	<u>1000</u>
Total Receipts	<u>87273</u>	<u>3325</u>	<u>90598</u>	<u>88735</u>

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	2021 £ Unrest.	2021 £ Restricted	2021 £ Total	2020 £ Total
Payments				
<i>Cost of generating Voluntary Income</i>	<u>70</u>		<u>70</u>	<u>124</u>
<i>Church Activities</i>				
Macmillan				413
Donations St. Peter's School	500		500	500
	<u>500</u>		<u>500</u>	<u>913</u>
<i>Ministry - Parish Share</i>	<u>52491</u>		<u>52491</u>	<u>59491</u>
<i>Church Running Expenses</i>				
Insurance	6634		6634	6668
Utilities - Gas and Electricity	5551		5551	4048
Utilities - Water	472		472	1007
	<u>12657</u>		<u>12657</u>	<u>11723</u>
<i>Clergy Expenses</i>				
Vicar's Expenses	290		290	264
Relief Clergy	449		449	
Vicarage Council Tax and Water	2933		2933	2401
Newton Team Curate	2122		2122	1291
	<u>5794</u>		<u>5794</u>	<u>3956</u>
<i>Cost of services</i>				
Sanctuary	241		241	70
Organist (Monthly Fees)	294		294	1650
Verger/Bellringers/ Organist	2930		2930	1220
Sundry	390		390	297
Subscriptions and Conferences	45		45	
Repairs and maintenance	11082		11082	1658
Servicing of organ		242	242	476
Accountancy and Professional Fees	900		900	1740
Printing and Stationery	210		210	392
	<u>16092</u>	<u>242</u>	<u>16334</u>	<u>7503</u>
<i>Fund Raising costs</i>				
Magazine				230
Christmas Fair	140		140	
	<u>140</u>		<u>140</u>	<u>230</u>
<i>Other</i>				
Fees paid to Diocese	3873		3873	4734
Wedding Fee refunds	11		11	628
	<u>3884</u>		<u>3884</u>	<u>5362</u>
Total Payments	<u>91628</u>	<u>242</u>	<u>91870</u>	<u>89302</u>
Excess of Receipts over Payments			-1272	-567
Bank balance as at 1 January 2021			86600	89187
Bank balance as at 31 December 2021			85328	86600

St. Peter's Parish Church, Newton-in-Makerfield

Financial Statements for the year ending 31 December 2021

Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31 December 2021

	2021	2021	2021	2020
	£	£	£	£
Monetary Assets	Unrest.	Restricted	Total	Total
Nat West - General a/c	26,369		26,369	19,963
Nat West - No 2 a/c - Organ & choir		2,019	2,019	2,261
Nat West - No 3 a/c - Sunday School		1,000	1,000	1,000
CBF Fund 3001 Building & Fabric	15,834		15,834	26,382
CBF Fund 3002 Bell Restoration & M'tnc		9,247	9,247	9,242
CBF Fund 3003 Hand Bells		680	680	680
CBF Fund 3004 De Looze Flag		1,352	1,352	647
CBF Fund 3006 Tower Bell General		6,332	6,332	6,329
CBF Fund 3007 Stonework		22,468	22,468	19,957
Petty cash & Tea/coffee cash	27		27	139
Total	42,230	43,098	85,328	86,600

Non-Monetary Assets

None

Debtors

Burial of Ashes fee **216**

Creditors

Wedding & Funeral Fees 2020 owed to Diocese 4734

Wedding & Funeral Fees 2021 owed to Diocese 4729

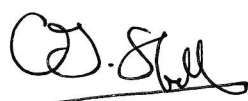
Total 9463

Notes to the accounts.

1. The financial statements of the P.C.C. have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts and Payments basis.
2. The following assets are recognised but not necessarily valued in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities : moveable church furnishings held by the Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC which require a faculty for disposal.
3. The expenses paid to clergy may include a small immaterial proportion which relates to their function as PCC members. No other member of the PCC received any payment for being a member of the PCC
4. Gift-aid to be claimed in 2022 in respect of 2019, 2020 & 2021 = £4275 (estimated)
5. Collections on behalf of Christian Aid (in / out transaction only) = £365.22

Approved by the PCC at its meeting on 3.5.22

and signed on its behalf by



Rev Chris Stafford - Chair of PCC



Wendy Jones - PCC Treasurer

Independent Examiner's unqualified report to the members of the P.C.C. of St. Peter's Church, Newton-in-Makerfield in respect of the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st. December 2021 as set out on pages 12 to 14 of this report.

Respective responsibilities of the P.C.C. and the examiner.

The P.C.C. members acting as the charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for the year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act
to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the Independent Examiner's statement.

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission and the guidance published in PCC Accountability (The Charities Act 2011 and the P.C.C.), 5th edition). An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with these records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required for 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 material matter has come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act, or
the accounts do not accord to the accounting records.

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

Signed. *Alan A. Clements* Date 4th. May 2022.

Name Revd. A. A. Clements

Fellow Association of Charity Independent Examiners.

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ST. PETER'S CHURCH, NEWTON LE WILLOWS (Newton in Makerfield)

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ST PETER'S CHURCH
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Administrative Information

St. Peter's Church is located on Church St., Newton-Le-Willows WA12 9SR.

The parish is part of the Newton Team in the Diocese of Liverpool.

Official correspondence should be sent to the PCC Secretary:

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7 Park Road North

Newton le Willows

WA12 9TF

Members of the PCC are elected at the Annual Parish Meeting (APM) in accordance with Church Representation Rules.

There are also some members with ex-officio status.

PCC and Ex-Officio Members

Clergy - Rev Canon Stephen Grey (Chair) (from May 2017)

Ordinand - Annie Houghton

Readers Emeritus - Dorothy Matthews (not on PCC)/Audrey Myers (not on PCC)

Churchwardens - John Higham (from 16th April 2018)/James Robb (from 1st April 2019)/

William Irving (from 29th October 2020)

Churchwarden Emeritus - Albert Waterworth

Deputy Churchwardens - Victoria Whiteside

Deanery Synod Reps - Ian Henry/Jim Robb/Annie Houghton/Canon Stephen Grey

Treasurer - Wendy Jones

Secretary - Kathryn Cunliffe

PCC Members from 29th October 2020

- Elaine Fairhurst
- Lianne Burgess
- Helen Archibald
- Sue Cooke
- Sue Hutton
- Glenn Hutton
- Serena Meadows
- Debbie Livesey
- William Irving
- Lisa Whittaker
- Kathryn Cunliffe
- Jim Robb
- Ian Henry
- Annie Houghton
- Phil Bremmeier
- Wendy Jones

The Standing Committee

Chair - Rev. Canon Stephen Grey
Churchwardens - William Irving / Jim Robb - (John Higham warden until 29th October)
Treasurer - Wendy Jones (until 28th October Wendy was financial administrator)
Secretary - Wendy Morris (up to 28/10/20)/Kathryn Cunliffe (from 29/10/20)

Other Responsibilities

Independent Examiner - Ian Burns, Hayes and Co
Legal Advisor - Given through Diocese of Liverpool
Architect - Grimshaw Associates '
Electoral Roll Officer - Sue Hutton
Child Protection Co - ordinator - Sharon Brammeier
Vulnerable Adults Co - ordinator - Michelle Brammeier
Parish Newsheet - Rev, Canon Stephen Grey
Website Editor – Wendy Jones
GDPR - David Smith
Children's Society Rep - Alice Ellam
Christian Aid Rep/Gift Aid Officer - Janette Grey

Structure, Management and Governance

St Peter's PCC operates under the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956 and the Church Representation Rules.

The PCC is a charity registered with the Charity Commission. (Charity number 1133794)

All church members are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC. The method of appointment of PCC members is as set out in the Church Representation Rules. The size of the Parochial Church Council is determined by the numbers on the electoral roll: currently the Parochial Church Council is made up of 17 members in total; 8 ex-officio, 9 elected.

Each year at the Annual Parochial Meeting, five elected members retire after having served for three years (or an unexpired portion thereof) and five new members are elected for a three-year term. Four Deanery Synod representatives are elected every three years and these, along with the Vicar, Readers, Wardens and Deputy Wardens are ex-officio members. In 2020, the PCC continued to meet in person and via zoom.

The PCC has a Standing committee, which meets as necessary between full meetings.

The Standing Committee operates under Terms of Reference approved by the PCC and reports to the PCC at the next full meeting.

The PCC can recommend for appointment to the Diocese of Liverpool four Foundation Governors of St. Peter's Church of England Aided Primary School, Birley St, Newton-Le-Willows.

The vicar of St. Peter's is an ex-officio member of the Governing Body of the school. A member of the congregation of St. Peters, Sharon Brammeier, is currently Chair of the

Governing Body.

Individual PCC members receive training as and when deemed appropriate by the PCC. Training may include trustee responsibility training, basic health and safety, risk assessment and management, child protection procedures. A major provider of such training has been the Diocese of Liverpool.

During this year the Liverpool Diocesan Board of Finance acted as custodian trustee for the inalienable property of the church.

Risk Assessments

Financial Risk

The PCC have resolved that 6 months expenditure (c £45,000) should be kept in reserve wherever possible. All assets are insured and levels have been reviewed and approved by the PCC. Smart Water has been applied to precious metals to ensure full reclaim value in the event of theft.

Annual budget setting and monitoring is carried out by the PCC. Online banking has been introduced with appropriate safeguards.

Health and Safety

Coronavirus Pandemic Risk Assessment

During 2020 the government announced 3 National Lockdowns due to Covid19.

The PCC following the guidance from Bishop Paul and Rev Stephen decided to close for Corporate Worship during the lockdowns for the safety of our members and all our user groups.

In order to reopen our doors once again, our church needed to be Covid19 compliant. The risk assessment undertaken included many considerations, below is a list of the main requirements that needed to be made:

- Removal of wooden pews and replace with plastic chairs (60 max)
- A one way system
- Laminated signage
- A Booking in system
- No Choir or Singing permitted
- Shorter services (approx. 30 min duration)
- Individual Administration of Holy Communion
- Cash Handling process and Electronic 'Sum Up'
- Ventilation
- Social Distancing and mask wearing
- Hand sanitisation points
- Antibacterial Cleaning after each Service

- Recorded Viewing of online Funeral Services

The Churchwardens ensure that the Church is kept free of any hazards, that heating boilers are serviced regularly, fire extinguishers are inspected and portable electrical equipment is tested annually.

The Health and Safety Policy including fire procedures is reviewed and updated on a regular basis. First aid kits are sited at each end of the building. The accident book is kept in the vestry office. A defibrillator is sited in the annex and some PCC members have received training on how to use it. The list of First Aid Helpers has been reviewed with each member now required to possess a "First Aid at Work" certificate.

Security

The Church is protected by a well-maintained alarm. The number of keys issued to Church members is limited. A floodlight illuminates the car park while groups are occupying the Church in the evening.

Children and Vulnerable Adult Protection

The PCC follows the guidelines issued by the Diocese of Liverpool regarding the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults. In 2020 the Standing committee carried out a major audit of its Child Protection Policy. The PCC is extremely appreciative of the important and considerable work that Sharon Brammeier (Child Protection Co - ordinator) and Michelle Brammeier (Vulnerable Adults Co - ordinator) contribute to this task.

All volunteers complete the self-declaration form and those undertaking roles such as Sunday school teacher and Parish Visitors are required to complete a DBS check. Officers responsible for child protection and protection for vulnerable adults have undertaken training from the Diocese. Guidelines issued by the Diocese have been discussed and adopted by PCC. The PCC have adopted the Safeguarding Procedures 2015, as recommended by the Diocese, which is displayed on Church notice boards. The Council also approved the Policy Statement on 'children and young people', which is distributed to all parents of Sunday school children.

Objectives and Activities

The Primary objective of St Peter's PCC is to promote the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England.

St. Peters is part of the Newton Team in the Diocese of Liverpool, which includes the four Anglican parishes that geographically cover the areas of Newton-Le-Willows and Earlestown. There are four churches: All Saints, Emmanuel, St. John's, and St. Peter's. The Rev. Chris Stafford is Team Rector; the Rev. Canon Stephen Grey and Rev. Gareth Banton [acting team vicar] are the Team Vicars. Stephen is also the Area Dean of the Winwick Deanery.

The PCC is responsible for working with the Team Vicar of St. Peter's and the other clergy and churches of the Newton Team, in promoting the whole mission of the Church: pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It works together with the Clergy and the Churchwardens of St. Peter's to ensure continuity of ministry for regular services and to ensure that Sunday school and other Church groups are run and staffed properly.

The PCC has responsibility to manage the finances of the Church and to care for the Church building. It liaises with the higher Councils of the Church of England through its representation on the Deanery Synod and participates in diocesan funding through its contribution to the 'Parish Share'.

The general functions of the PCC are stated within Section 2 of the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956. When planning activities for the year, the PCC gave consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance to charities concerned with the advancement of religion.

PCC Objectives:

Fabric and Building

During 2020 the churchwardens have continued to address the fabric and building needs of St. Peter's. The essential priorities with the exception of the stonework have now been completed.

They are:

- A warning sign for asbestos in the organ cupboard
- The testing of the lightning conductor
- Cleaning of the guttering
- Roofing Repairs
- Boiler Repair
- Boiler Room Drainage following Extensive Flooding

A rolling programme of building repairs will need to be put in place. Repairs to the stonework on the higher parts of the Bell Tower has been completed and there is need for renovation of the stonework of the church porches, the lower part of the tower, and the elevation to the western side of the building.

In view of the cost of this work it has been decided that a grant application be made to English Heritage who have introduced a new funding system.

Proposed Work for 2021

Replace Lighting and cables as necessary in the Church
Lady Chapel Oak Flooring Replacement and installation of new Carpet
Car Park payment scheme

Growth Agenda

The PCC continued to be committed to the Growth Agenda of the Diocese of Liverpool.

Stewardship Review

A Stewardship Review will be undertaken when the Church reopens. During the year members of the congregation were encouraged to directly through the bank or the Parish Giving Scheme.

Community

Due to the Church being closed because of Covid19 restrictions, all planned community outreach was put on hold.

St Peters School has also been closed due to the pandemic. However Rev Stephen has maintained close contact with the school and once the school reopened, Rev Stephen continued to deliver school assemblies online.

The Church was closed for Easter and Pentecost but reopened for Christmas Celebrations. These Celebrations included a visual Carol Service, a Cartoon Nativity and a Covid19 secure Christingle service. The Church was open for Christmas Day.

The Church's Facebook Page, Website and 'Church Near You' website has been updated regularly to keep members informed throughout the pandemic in addition to the Churches Parish News Sheet.

Achievement and Performance

Membership

There were 203 members on the roll

Worship

No services were held during the Government controlled lockdown.

Sunday services continued when deemed safe, which included:

8am Holy Communion service

9.30 Parish Communion Family service.

11am Holy Communion Service.

Wednesday Holy Communion 10am.

These services were shorter than usual (approx. 30 min) due to Covid19 restrictions.

The choir has not been able to meet during the pandemic.

Baptisms (6), Weddings (3) and Funerals were conducted in 2020 but due to government restrictions numbers were limited.

Attendance

Average weekly worshippers pre covid was 159. During the weeks we were open it was 117. These numbers include adults and children.

The Newton Team: "Hope Hub"

Team ministry has been invaluable during the three lockdowns with shared ministry taking place online.

These have included:

- Evening Prayer
- Wednesday Morning Services
- Sunday Morning Services

Winwick Deanery

Deanery Report by Ian C. Henry - Winwick Deanery Synod Secretary.

I think it is generally agreed that there was little activity during 2020 due to the CoronaVirus pandemic.

There was only one Deanery Synod meeting in 2020 held via Zoom (October). There were three M&PC meetings in October & November. Towards the end of 2020: Revd. June took up the position of Rector at St Elphin's in Warrington, which left a vacancy at St Oswald and St Michael's.

It was agreed by the Deanery Mission & Pastoral Committee to suspend the vacancy pending pastoral reorganisation in the Deanery.

The M&PC recommended that St Oswald's Winwick would be merged with Culcheth / Croft / Glazebury / Hollinfare to form a Group Ministry, this was accepted by the Diocesan M&PC. There was also general discussion about the appointment of a Priest in Charge for St Michael's.

The Diocese recommended that all parishes consider Eco projects.

At the October Deanery Synod meeting Revs Jan, Gareth & Jonathan and Louise (Emmanuel) talked about simple Eco projects.

Also towards the end of 2020 there was the Diocesan Initiative to assist with Parish Share for those parishes that were struggling financially. All PCC treasurers have now been contacted with the outcome of this diocesan project.

2021 So looking to the future:

Presently all meetings are via Zoom, we have had one D Synod meeting (March) and two M&PC meetings (January & February). The Group Ministry discussions for Culcheth / Croft / Glazebury / Hollinfare / Winwick are progressing well. There will be an appointment later in the year of a new vicar for Culcheth / Croft / Winwick. At the January M&PC Paul Hancock said that the proposed appointment for the Priest in Charge at St Michael's had been approved by the Diocesan M&PC. A group meeting was held 18th March with Archdeacon Simon to discuss the appointment; Archdeacon Simon said the post could be worded as Priest in Charge for Burtonwood and Associate Priest for the Newton Team. Hopefully there will be an appointment by the summer. At the March DS meeting Rev Jan said that our Diocese had signed up to ECO Church and would like all parishes to enrol with Eco Church by A Rocha (Caring for God's Earth).

We can do an online survey to ascertain our current 'Green' credentials and then look at how we might improve our rating. So on the surface things are looking a bit quiet but there is a lot going on behind the scene and there is a real opportunity to get involved with the Eco Projects

St. Peter's School

The school children have not been able to attend Church during the pandemic. However, in the first three months of the year classes contributed to Sunday worship in a very meaningful and appreciated way. School worship, however, has been led by Canon Stephen each Thursday morning. Members of the church also serve as governors under the leadership of the Chair, Mrs Sharon Brammeier.

Canon Stephen has also developed the position of School Chaplain offering pastoral and spiritual support to the whole school body.

Church Groups

- The Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Rangers, Cubs and Scouts uniformed organisations have not been able to meet during the pandemic. Beavers have continued to meet regularly via Zoom.
- We continue to be a Fair Trade Church.
- Other groups for adults which meet regularly include Bible Study, Choir, Bell Ringers, Mothers 'Union, and the Gardening Group have not been able to meet during the pandemic. However regular Prayer Groups, Bible Study and Cuppa and Chat meetings have continued online.

Regular contact has been made with Church Groups as and when required.

Christian Aid and other charities

Campaigns have been delivered online for National Charities with the option for electronic giving.

A World Day of Prayer Service was available to view on YouTube.

Church Buildings and Grounds

The Church and annexe have been well maintained during the Pandemic.

Financial Review - See Financial Statements

Summary

Throughout this difficult year, St Peter's has maintained contact with its members either by personal telephone calls from our Vicar Rev Stephen Grey or via our weekly online newsletter.

Our priority has been to check in regularly with the most vulnerable members of our congregation.

Our Church finances have been seriously affected. Without direct giving and particularly the Parish Giving Scheme we would be in a far worse state that we find ourselves in today.

The Church Wardens have ensured that the Fabric of the Church has been kept in good order throughout the three lockdowns.

The PCC and the Standing Committee have continued to carry out their duties either on-line if they could not meet in person and for this the Church is most grateful for their continued Christian service,

I would like to thank all church officers for their unstinting work and witness during the year.

Throughout 2020 our Christian objectives have remained the same even though we may not have been able to carry them out to the extent to which we had planned at the beginning of the year.

To Love the Lord our God and be open to him through

- Regular public worship open to all.
- The provision of a sacred space for personal prayer and contemplation. ●
- To help people who have asked for assistance with prayer.
- To provide more variety in our services in order to enhance the experience of our worship.

To Love our neighbours and be open to them through

- Pastoral work including visiting the sick, bereaved and elderly.
- Religious instruction for children either in St Peter's School and on the Church premises.
- Promoting the Mission of the Church through activities in the wider community. ●
- Supporting other charities in the UK and overseas.

To Love each other through Christian fellowship

- Teaching God's love through sermons, courses and small groups.
- To promote good working relations across the Newton Team and Ecumenically. ●
- To encourage all members to sign up to the 'Rule of Life'.

Signed - Stephen Grey 

Position – Vicar

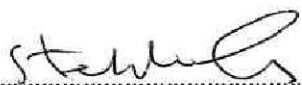
Date..... 14 MAY 2021

**CHURCH OF ST PETER, NEWTON-IN-MAKERFIELD
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - 1 JANUARY - 31 DECEMBER 2020**

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Notes	2020	2019
STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES			
FIXED ASSETS		0	0
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors - HMRC		10,627	6,516
Cash at Bank and in hand		86,600	96,040
		<u>97,227</u>	<u>102,556</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors		8,607	13,369
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>88,620</u>	<u>89,187</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>88,620</u>	<u>89,187</u>
FUNDS			
Unrestricted		48,504	49,460
Restricted		40,116	39,727
		<u>88,620</u>	<u>89,187</u>

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on14 MAY.....2021
and signed on its behalf by:



Chairman - Canon Stephen Grey



Treasurer - Wendy Jones

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £	Total Funds 2019 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
5a Resources		62,604		62,604	45,886
5b Other voluntary receipts		9,908	1,673	11,581	2,371
5c Activities for generating funds		2,784		2,784	7,336
5d Receipts from church activities		10,488		10,488	14,403
5e Investment income		124	154	278	665
5f Other ordinary income		1,000		1,000	1,500
		<u>86,908</u>	<u>1,827</u>	<u>88,735</u>	<u>72,161</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
6a Cost of generating vol income		124		124	122
6b, c&d Church Activities		81,724	1,862	83,586	106,549
6e Fund-raising costs		230		230	995
6f Other		5,362		5,362	0
		<u>87,440</u>	<u>1,862</u>	<u>89,302</u>	<u>107,666</u>
Net Income for the Year		-532	-35	-567	-35,505
Net Funds brought forward		49,460	39,727	89,187	124,692
Net Funds carried forward		<u>48,928</u>	<u>39,692</u>	<u>88,620</u>	<u>89,187</u>

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RECEIPTS ANALYSIS	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £	Total Funds 2019 £
5a VOLUNTARY INCOME					
Tax efficient planned giving		29,441		29,441	23,087
Other planned giving		4,430		4,430	5,012
Collections at services (open plate)		5,483		5,483	7,000
Gift-aid recovered		23,250		23,250	10,787
		<u>62,604</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>62,604</u>	<u>45,886</u>
5b OTHER VOLUNTARY INCOME					
All other giving & sundry donations		2,262		2,262	633
Donations to CBF 3006 - Tower Bells			648	648	479
Donations to CBF 3007 - Stonework			25	25	80
Donations for Macmillan & Christian Aid Legacies	5	7,646	1,000	8,646	1,179
		<u>9,908</u>	<u>1,673</u>	<u>11,581</u>	<u>2,371</u>
5c ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS					
Additional events (Sponsored walk)		1,579		1,579	1,397
Craft fairs					520
Christmas fair					2,410
Concerts					1,547
Magazine Sales & Advertising		1,205		1,205	1,462
		<u>2,784</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,784</u>	<u>7,336</u>
5d RECEIPTS FROM CHURCH ACTIVITIES					
Fees - Weddings and Funerals		9,088		9,088	10,566
Tea / coffee		62		62	100
Hire of Annexe		790		790	3,737
Team Ministry - Expenditure reversed		548		548	
		<u>10,488</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>10,488</u>	<u>14,403</u>
5e INVESTMENT INCOME					
Interest from CBF funds		124	154	278	665
		<u>124</u>	<u>154</u>	<u>278</u>	<u>665</u>
5f - OTHER ORDINARY INCOME					
Area Dean Grant		1,000		1,000	1,500
		<u>1,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,500</u>
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		<u>86,908</u>	<u>1,827</u>	<u>88,735</u>	<u>72,161</u>

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RESOURCES USED	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £	Total Funds 2019 £
6a COST OF GENERATING VOL INCOME		<u>124</u>		<u>124</u>	<u>122</u>
6b CHURCH ACTIVITIES					
Macmillan		413		413	1,179
Donations - St Peters School		500		500	500
		<u>913</u>		<u>913</u>	<u>1,679</u>
6c Ministry - Parish Share		<u>59,491</u>		<u>59,491</u>	<u>63,554</u>
6d Church running expenses					
Insurance		6,668		6,668	6,562
Utilities - Gas & Electricity		4,048		4,048	6,636
Utilities - Water		1,007		1,007	0
6d Clergy expenses					
Vicar's Expenses		264		264	938
Relief Clergy		0		0	244
Vicarage (Council Tax & Water)		2,401		2,401	2,626
Newton Team Curate		1,291		1,291	0
6d Cost of services					
Sanctuary		70		70	428
Organist (monthly fees)		1,650		1,650	5,065
Verger/Bellringers/Organist		1,220		1,220	2,080
Sundry		297		297	2,437
Subscriptions and conferences		0		0	78
6d Repairs & Maintenance		638	1,020	1,658	12,013
6d Servicing of organ		234	242	476	0
6d Accountancy & Professional Fees		1,140	600	1,740	1,410
6d Printing & Stationery		392		392	799
		<u>21,320</u>	<u>1,862</u>	<u>23,182</u>	<u>41,316</u>
6e Fund raising costs					
Magazine (printing & advert refunds)		230		230	946
Christmas Fair		0		0	49
		<u>230</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>230</u>	<u>995</u>
6f Other					
Fees paid to Diocese		4,734		4,734	
Wedding fees refunds		628		628	
		<u>5,362</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>5,362</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL RESOURCES USED		<u>87,440</u>	<u>1,862</u>	<u>89,302</u>	<u>107,666</u>

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	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £	Total Funds 2019 £
7 DEBTORS					
Income tax recoverable & prepayments				<u>10,627</u>	<u>6,516</u>
8 CASH AT BANK					
Nat West - General a/c		19,963		19,963	27,523
Nat West - Flower a/c	6	0		0	305
Petty cash & Tea/coffee cash		139		139	77
CBF Fund (3001) Building & Fabric		26,382		26,382	29,495
Restricted Funds (see below)			40,116	40,116	38,640
Total cash balances		<u>46,484</u>	<u>40,116</u>	<u>86,600</u>	<u>96,040</u>
ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND					
Fixed assets		0	0	0	0
Current Assets - Nat West, CBF & Cash		46,484	40,116	86,600	96,040
Current Assets - Debtors 2019 & 2020		10,627		10,627	6,516
Current Liabilities		-8,607		-8,607	-13,369
Total Net Assets		<u>48,504</u>	<u>40,116</u>	<u>88,620</u>	<u>89,187</u>
ANALYSIS OF RESTRICTED FUNDS					
Nat West - No 2 a/c - Organ & choir			2,261	2,261	2,503
Nat West - No 3 a/c - Sunday School			1,000	1,000	0
CBF Fund 3002 Bell Restoration & M'tnc			9,242	9,242	9,203
CBF Fund 3003 Hand bells			680	680	1
CBF Fund 3004 De Looze Flag			647	647	644
CBF Fund 3005 Team Ministry	7		0	0	26
CBF Fund 3006 Tower Bell General			6,329	6,329	5,180
CBF Fund 3007 Stonework			19,957	19,957	21,083
			<u>40,116</u>	<u>40,116</u>	<u>38,640</u>
OTHER MONETARY ASSETS					
		Purchase	Dep'n	Current Value	
Steel Container		1,409	1,409	0	
Garden Bench		1,004	1,004	0	
Photocopier purchased Dec 2009		3,704	3,704	0	
		<u>6,117</u>	<u>6,117</u>	<u>0</u>	
9 ANALYSIS OF CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Wedding & Funeral fees due to Diocese		8,607	0	8,607	8,821
Creditors - Team Ministry fund		0	0	0	4,548
		<u>8,607</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>8,607</u>	<u>13,369</u>

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
CHURCH OF ST. PETER'S**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2020, which are set out on pages ten to fourteen.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

I have examined your charity's accounts as required under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. that accounting records were not kept as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. that the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. that the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Act; or
4. that there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.



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14 May 2021