



ANNUAL REPORT
PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
For the year ending 31st December 2023

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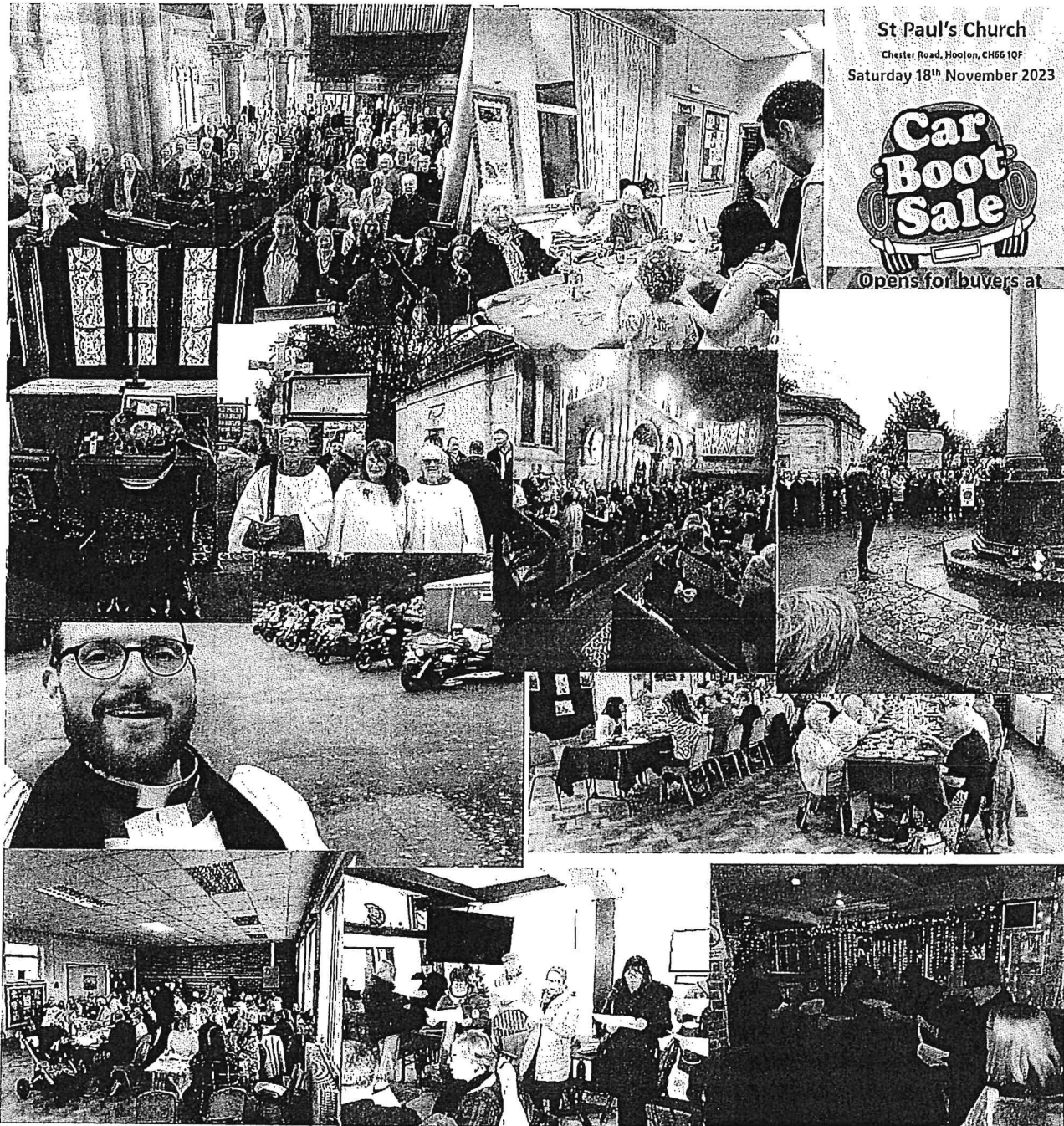
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ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

St Paul's is situated on Chester Road in Little Sutton, a village eight miles from Chester. The ecclesiastical parish is made up of the three communities of Hooton, Childer Thornton and Little Sutton. The correspondence address for the parish is Hooton Vicarage, Chester Road, Little Sutton CH66 1QF. The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2022) and a charity registered with the Charity Commission.

Registered Charity no. 1134654

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Our ACM was held in April following Church and Government guidelines. Two nominations were received for the two positions of Church Wardens and they were elected unanimously to continue as Churchwardens for another year.

PCC members are appointed in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. Membership consists of ex officio members (as listed above) and members elected by those whose names are on the Electoral Roll or live in the Parish. All those who attend our services — and are members of the congregation — are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

There were two vacancies on the PCC at the time of the ACM. Both were elected unanimously at the meeting.

We have three Deanery Synod Representatives and at the time of the AGM there was one vacancy, which remains however, the other two posts were re-elected.

In September 2023 The Revd. Jo Pemberton was licensed to our parish as Self Support Minister and Curate in Training.

The PCC met eight times in the year. The average attendance was 76%. All the meetings in 2023 were chaired by the new Chair, Father Mark. The Standing Committee met once in 2023 (under Church Representation Rules 2011 M31/6). PCC members are responsible for discussing and making decisions on all matters of concern and importance to the parish which includes finance, maintenance of the fabric of the church and grounds and social activities held by the church.

This year the PCC were split into working groups with the following names and remit:

Estates – to identify as much maintenance of the fabric needed on the church estate and complete.

Events – To plan social events throughout the year with the aim to develop community and increase income.

Finance – to review our financial situation. Seeking to wisely minimise outgoing and increase income, whilst remaining missional. What is our budget for mission, buildings, charitable giving? Like any family that is feeling the pinch we need to look at all our spending and budget fairly to achieve our aims.

Worship – to ensure that current worship at St Pauls is practically within our skill set, working at its best to develop community and how that community worships Almighty God. This group will work on the liturgy in church, what our diet of worship looks like. It will be creative for Easter, Christmas, Ascension, Pentecost, Epiphany, Lent, Advent. This group will help create, lead the family services.

Forward thinking – this is a group who will lead us in discerning Gods will for this parish. It will be looking forward to the future. Thinking of our overarching aims and objectives. How we can move forward, making this a centre for prayer, worship, learning, service, family, community.

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AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The parochial church council (PCC) works with the vicar to promote the mission of the church in the local context. This work is pastoral, evangelistic, social, and ecumenical in nature. We endeavour to communicate our faith and values through words and action, in the creation of a caring Christian community that is outward looking. As well as providing service to our community in a variety of situations we provide the church hall for various social needs and aspirations.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our Church, and to become part of our parish family. When planning our activities, certain members of the PCC have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, and in particular the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament. We try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish family, through:

- Worship and prayer: learning about the Gospel, and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus.
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish.
- Mission and outreach work.

To facilitate this work, it is vital that we maintain the fabric of the church building.

At St Paul's we are a community of many layers that come together to worship God and serve those around us. We aim to welcome everyone and have developed our sense of inclusivity. We hear God calling those in the margins locally, to be at the centre of His church. We hear God calling back those who have once left church.

The statistics show that St Paul's Electoral Roll is up from 222 at the end of 2022 to 226 in 2023.

There were 42 baptisms and three weddings:

168 adults and children attended Easter and 294 attended Christmas.

47 funerals were held in church 2 at a crematorium and there were a total of 20 committals only or burial of ashes. Memorial Services to remember those who had died were held in May and October as previous years, but this year we also worked with the two local Funeral Directors to conduct memorial services for their clients. In one service every seat in the church was taken. The other service had in excess of 50 people attending.

This year has seen the reintroduction of the women's fellowship.

We have also seen the introduction of a monthly men's breakfast.

The church is now open during the week initially between the hours of 8am and 4pm for prayer. Due to the popularity of this venture, we are now open seven days a week for prayer.

We have introduced a votive stand which has directed people to prayer but also increased our donations.

The main achievement for 2023 is a sense of community, a buzz, working together, enabling others talents and gifts. The second achievement is a sense of inclusion and that all are welcome here.

WORSHIP

Over the last year we have lightly reviewed all the services and their collective range. We have assessed our likes and dislikes, strengths and areas for development. It was therefore agreed to experience a refreshed diet of worship at St Pauls from September 2023 to July 2024 and review it as a PCC.

1st Eucharist with Sunday club

This will be the typical Sunday Eucharist service that we already have a pattern of at St Pauls. The Sunday club will meet separately in the small church hall under the supervision of Gwen

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2nd Family Eucharist

This will replace the current family service. It will still be a family service for the whole church, including the Sunday Club. The important difference here is that the Eucharist will be led by children. They will take on roles as carrying the processional cross and candles, reading, leading intercessions, assisting to distribute the elements. The talk will still be in a similar vein to the current family service. This will be informal formal. My hope is that the talks will be given by a variety of people both lay and ordained. The service will be interactive, and the hymns will be child friendly. It is to this service I will be writing to the Year 6 students at Little Sutton Primary looking for volunteers. Of course, with those volunteers comes parents to watch!

3rd Eucharist with Sunday Club

This will be the typical Sunday Eucharist service that we already have a pattern of at St Pauls. The Sunday club will meet separately in the small church hall under the supervision of Gwen

4th Café Church with Sunday Club

This is a non-eucharistic service that will replace the Service of the Word. It will be in the large hall with tea, coffee and croissant, muffins etc. It will bring back the parish breakfast. There will be hymns, readings, a talk, prayers, maybe some open discussion with those on our tables.

5th Eucharist with Prayers for Healing

This would be a standard Eucharist service but after receiving the Communion elements there would be two people offering prayers for healing. Please speak to the vicar if you have any questions about this service and what spiritual healing is about. This service will start after Christmas due to holidays and Christmas services.

As well as this we have included newer annual services which include a Pet Blessing Service (with 30 human souls), Dawn Service on Easter day (12 souls). Holy week evening activities, reflections and services.

WORKS, MAINTENANCE, HEALTH AND SAFETY

Variously known as the Monday Club or the Fabric Committee, there is a small group of energetic people led by Peter Jarvis who ensure that the church, church hall, churchyard and grounds are maintained in a satisfactory state to enable the ongoing activities of St Paul's to proceed in a safe and enjoyable manner. Activities include planned maintenance involving the testing of fire alarms, fire extinguishers, emergency lighting and security systems against a schedule, arrangement and supervision of routine maintenance by specialist contractors, and various other jobs, large and small on an "As & When" basis. The Monday Club is now supported by the aforementioned Estate Group of the PCC, who oversee the need for work. The link between the two groups is Mr Mark Holmes (Church Warden).

We have started a programme of refreshing the Church Hall this year to make it more attractive to renters, birthday parties etc. We are indebted to the Community Payback Team for their work in the churchyard throughout the year where they undertake most of the grass cutting, debris removal and clearance of the drainage ditch which runs down the entire north side as well as other tasks as they arise. Williams and Sons Funeral Directors have assisted with clearing the embankment on the north side of the church.

PASTORAL CARE

St Pauls Church is back into the swing of pastoral care. Regular visits are now conducted by the Vicar and the Curate. We are here to offer end of life pastoral care as well as ongoing home visits. Next year we hope to have in place a team who will assist.

COMMUNICATION

There have been a few changes in the way communication happens at St Pauls in 2023, whilst we have been trying out different methods there now seems to be a happy medium.

The link was taken over by the Vicar in 2023, and thanks is made to Sarah Wood who had been producing it previously. The weekly link sheet has more information on about the parish, including prayers and bible readings. The link has however retained parts of its former self.

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Concern about the real cost of the parish magazine, which not only included production costs but staffing, were realised. A request was made to the congregation for an editor to take over the magazine on a voluntary basis. We are grateful to Ben and Sam McCormick for taking this on. Under their stewardship the magazine has really increased in articles, items, posters, and generally is a bigger thing.

Our churchnearyou was the primary way of communication online for 2023, this was taken over by the Vicar and a thanks is noted to David Busfield for keeping this up to date previously. It is here we were initially able to advertise the new initiatives of the men's breakfast and the women's fellowship returning.

In April 2023 the PCC invested in our own new website. This was initially set up as a way of showing the local community what we do and who we are. How they can use us and contact us. The initially website was similar to a holding area. It was very static in the information being shared. Moving into 2024 this is being reviewed by the Vicar and a volunteer member of the congregation Olly Adam. The aim is that this website will be up to date with all the activities, sermons, photos of the Churches activities.

Facebook has been a major success for St Pauls. We have really made a footprint on this social media platform. Through it we have shared pictures, events, up and coming events, been able to assist the local community with requests, taken more hall bookings. We have shared services, not only at Easter and Christmas, but the Pet Services, Memorial Services etc. We have a good groups of followers and supporters.

Email addresses have been changed to a standard format and reflecting the new roles within the parish. These include: Hootonvicar@gmail.com Hootoncurate@gmail.com Hootonparish@gmail.com and Hootonsafeguarding@gmail.com

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INITIATION AND NURTURE

Seven candidates were prepared and presented by the Vicar for Confirmation by the Bishop of Birkenhead. All Seven are regular communicants at St Pauls post-confirmation.

SCHOOL CONNECTIONS

In 2023 the links with our local primary schools have been picked up by the Vicar. We have a strong working relationship with Little Sutton CoE Primary. We have sent our congregation to volunteer to build their Spiritual Garden. Gwen Wale has spent a lot of time over this last year working closely with reading and other activities. Mrs Sarah Wood acts as a Foundation Governor, alongside the Vicar. Fr Mark attends the School regularly, for a weekly Collective Act of Worship and various meetings with teachers and the Headmistress. Little Sutton CoE Primary attend the Church building regularly for major Christian festivals. Children from the School have assisted with our Family Eucharist service.

In 2023 firmer links have been made with Children Thorton Primary, Rossmore Primary and Parklands Primary, who have all allowed the Vicar to attend regularly for assemblies and Collective Acts of Worship.

SUNDAY CLUB

The Sunday Club is led by Gwen Wale and a dedicated team of helpers who operate on a rota basis. Child Protection and Health and Safety protocols are in full operation and checked on at regular intervals. It meets at 10.30am on Sunday morning in the church hall and through the year we have had an average of 8 children attending each week.

We generally follow the Lectionary, as we find that we don't have the same children every week. This is working very well but we do have 'Click', 'On the Way' and 'In Sight' to use as back-ups. The series of units take us through the Old and New Testaments covering all aspects of our Christian faith. All teaching material involves the children having fun with crafts and activities whilst learning.

We also take part in Family Worship on the second Sunday of each month with prayers, dramas, and readings. Parents have commented at how much their children have grown in confidence due to taking part in these services.

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SOCIAL EVENTS

The Events Planning Team organised a range of events during the year, re-introducing some old favourites. As ever popular events centred around food and fellowship. In 2023 we have had bring and share suppers, Coronation celebrations, Pimm's and hymns, games night, harvest supper, and much, much more.

WE have walked with St Johns Church Great Sutton on a pilgrimage to Chester Cathedral. In fact our walking group has covered some great miles over the year of 2023. This has been keenly led by Les, Nick and Mark. We mustn't forget a lovely boat trip from Trevor to Chirk.

Major fundraising came from the Summer and Christmas Fairs, which provided much needed funds.

WOMENS FELLOWSHIP

Following the first meeting held in July 2023 the Fellowship has met on the third Thursday of every month. Meetings start at 2pm and this has proved a popular time with the group. Subjects covered have included, Keeping safe in our homes and online, Support for carers, the Home Guard in WW2, Cake decorating, A joint lunch with GTT group, Valentine special, History and Present day success of Berwick Road School (2 separate speakers), Bee keeping and a Strawberry tea.

To help with funds we run a monthly raffle with donations by the group. And of course, we always finish the meetings with tea, lots of cake and a good deal of chat. The average attendance is between 15 and 20 ladies. It is intended to run the Fellowship from September to June.

MENS BREAKFAST

Early on in the year we introduced the Men's Breakfast at St Pauls as a way to get blokes together to chat and eat. Spending time in each other's company. This has grown to a steady 12 to 15 men, who attend, set up and clean up after the breakfast. Moving forward it is envisaged that the breakfast will include a speaker.

DEANERY SYNOD

Richard Soper and Sarah Wood are our parish representatives and there were several meetings during the year led by the Rural Dean Revd Beth Glover. Meetings were held at St Marys Eastham, St Thomas and All Saints Ellesmere Port, and the Chapel of the Holy Spirit /Parish Centre on Eastham Rake. The responses from all the Deanery events in the Diocese will then contribute towards the Bishops' work on setting a vision and direction for the Diocese. We have one space left that during 2023 has been unfilled.

ECUMENICAL PARTICIPATION

In 2023 we have started to build good relationships with our ecumenical brothers and sisters. March 2023, we attended the World Day of Prayer which was hosted by the local Methodist Church. Fr Mark welcomed the new Methodist Minister at her induction service. We invited the Roman Catholic parish to a choral evensong to celebrate the feast of Ss Peter and Paul, which was very well attended. Fraternal conversations continue into 2024.

SAFEGUARDING

The Parish reviewed and updated its safeguarding policy in 2023, in order to cover both children and vulnerable adults. The policy is now in line with the diocesan/national church safeguarding guidelines. All members of the PCC have completed a DBS check and have started a program of safeguarding training. Gwen Wale continues to act as Safeguarding coordinator for the parish.

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VOLUNTEERS

All our volunteers are warmly thanked for their contribution to the work and ministry of St Paul's and we mention the Monday group who cover the items described in the maintenance section above, church cleaners, flower carers, refreshments providers, magazine deliverers and event organisers, through to those who help to tidy the chairs away after social functions.

FINANCIAL REPORT 2023

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the publication PCC Accountability 5th edition incorporating SORP 2015 issued by the Archbishops Council.

This was a new year for St Pauls, we engaged in a new way of thinking and a living. We have all lived generously with our money, time, fundraising efforts. The PCC and congregation are being empowered, affirmed, and thanked. This is a church that has a priesthood of all believers working together. We have engaged in various fundraising activities, including hosting a car boot sale, various month events. We are slowly making the change that we want. With the increase in attendance and the increase in hall hires, we feel this is achievable.

Total resources expended for 2023 amounted to £140,155 an increase of £21,348 on 2022 whilst income of £130,114 surpassed the 2022 figure by £25,936 but the net result is a deficit of £10,041; however, we are continually looking towards a more stabilised future with confidence.

PCC members who served from 1 January 2023 until 31st December 2023 are:

Ex-Officio Members

Incumbent:	Rev Mark R J Turner (Chair)
Church Wardens:	Alex Duffey
	Mark Holmes

Deanery Synod Reps	Richard Soper
	Sarah Wood

Elected Members	David Busfield (Treasurer and Vice Chair)
	Peter Vaughan (Reader Emeritus)
	Lynne Bergin (Secretary)
	Jan Barnett
	Sarah-Jane Turner (co-oped)
	Jo Byrne
	Kathleen Hitchmough
	Wendy Holmes
	Viv Langan
	Jane Sheehy
	Nicolas John Revill
	Gwendoline Wale

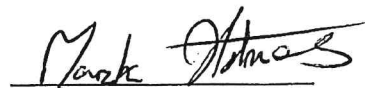
Approved by the PCC on 31st March 2024 and signed on its behalf by:



Rev'd Mark Turner
(Incumbent/Chair)



Alex Duffey
(Churchwarden)



Mark Holmes
(Churchwarden)

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Parochial Church Council of St Paul's Hooton

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Parochial Church Council of St. Paul's Hooton for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Responsibility and basis of report

As the charity 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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

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



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Date: 19/4/2024

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The charity constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) issued on 16 July 2014 (as updated through Update Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102), the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2015.

The charity has applied Update Bulletin 1 as published on 2 February 2016 and does not include a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is applying FRS 102 Section 1A.

The financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention.

Funds

General funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the PCC are also unrestricted. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the financial statements of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donors

Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the charity is legally entitled to the income after any performance conditions have been met, the amount can be measured reliably and it is probable that the income will be received.

No amount is included in the financial statements for volunteer time in line with the SORP (FRS 102).

Voluntary income and capital sources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC. Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received. Tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when the income is recognised. Funds raised by the fete, garden party and similar events are accounted for gross. Sales of books and magazines from the church bookstall are accounted for gross.

Other Income

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

Income from Investments

Dividends are accounted for when due and payable and interest entitlements are accounted for as they accrue. Tax recoverable on such income is recognised in the same accounting year.

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Resources used

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Expenditure is recognised when there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Support costs are those that assist the work of the charity but do not directly represent charitable activities and include office costs, governance costs, and administrative payroll costs. They are incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the charity. Where support costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to cost of raising funds and expenditure on charitable activities on a basis consistent with use of the resources.

Grants

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

Activities directly relating to the work of the Church

The diocesan parish share is accounted for when due. Any parish share unpaid at the year end is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not a legal) liability and is shown as a creditor in the Balance Sheet.

Fixed assets

Consecrated property and movable church furnishings

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the financial statements by s.10(2)(a) of the Charities Act 2011. All expenditure incurred in the year on consecrated or beneficed buildings, individual items under £1,000 or on the repair of moveable church furnishings acquired before 1 January 2000 is written off.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

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

Current assets

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at the bank.

Tax

The charity is an exempt charity within the meaning of schedule 3 of the Charities Act 2011.

Going Concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the trustees believe that no material uncertainties exist. The trustees have considered the level of funds held and the expected level of income and expenditure for 12 months from authorising these financial statements. The budgeted income and expenditure is sufficient with the level of reserves for the charity to be able to continue as a going concern.

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What others have said about St Pauls Church:

"We felt very welcomed into St Paul's and received numerous comments from other family and friends to say how welcoming and light-hearted the service was.

Thank you very much for making our daughter's day so special. We look forward to seeing you again soon."

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

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	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS 2023	TOTAL FUNDS 2022
INCOMING RESOURCES							
Voluntary income	2a	67,875	1,472	809	-	70,157	54,202
Activities for Generating Funds	2b	20,973	-	-	-	20,973	17,159
Income from Church Activities	2c	37,515	-	-	-	37,515	31,143
Income from Investments	2d	-	1,469	-	-	1,469	690
Other Incoming Resources	2e	-	-	-	-	-	986
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		126,364	2,941	809	-	130,114	104,179
RESOURCES EXPENDED							
Grants and Charitable Donations	3a	633	-	-	-	633	286
Church Activities	3b	130,913	394	2,514	-	133,821	112,212
Costs of Generating Funds	3c	645	-	-	-	645	801
Costs of Governance and Support	3d	5,056	-	-	-	5,056	5,508
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		137,247	394	2,514	-	140,155	118,807
NET INCOMING (OUTGOING) RESOURCES		- 10,883	2,548 -	1,705	- -	10,041 -	14,628
Depreciation		-	-	-	-	-	-
GAINS AND LOSSES ON INVESTMENTS							
Realised		-	-	-	-	-	-
Unrealised		-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital adjustment		-	-	-	-	-	-
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS	9	20,000 -	20,000	-	-	-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		9,117 -	17,452 -	1,705	- -	10,041 -	14,628
BALANCE B/FWD AT 1 JANUARY		384,569	49,099	12,444	-	446,111	460,739
BALANCES C/FWD AT 31 DECEMBER		393,685	31,646	10,739	-	436,070	446,111

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BALANCE SHEET

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	Note	2023 £	2022 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	5	378,798	-
		<u>378,798</u>	<u>-</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	7	18,674	17,264
CBF Church of England short term deposits		29,037	47,569
Cash at bank and in hand		13,822	5,821
		<u>61,533</u>	<u>70,654</u>
LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	8	4,262	3,341
NET CURRENT ASSETS		57,272	67,313
NET ASSETS		<u>436,070</u>	<u>446,111</u>
FUNDS	6		
Unrestricted		393,685	384,569
Designated		31,646	49,099
Restricted		10,739	12,444
Endowment		-	-
		<u>436,070</u>	<u>446,111</u>

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on _____ and signed on its behalf by:

Revd Mark Turner
Vicar of St Paul's Hooton

Mr Mark Stanley Holmes
Church Warden

Mrs Alexandra Lucille Duffey
Church Warden

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2 INCOMING RESOURCES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS 2023	TOTAL FUNDS 2022
2a Voluntary Income						
Tax-efficient Planned Giving	32,460				32,460	25,274
Other Planned Giving	5,706				5,706	5,532
Collections (Offerory Plate)	9,494				9,494	6,238
Occasional Gift Aid	2,626				2,626	3,306
Income tax recovered and recoverable	9,623				9,623	9,387
Donations, including flower fund	7,966	1,472	809		10,248	4,465
	<u>67,875</u>	<u>1,472</u>	<u>809</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>70,157</u>	<u>54,202</u>
2b Activities for Generating Funds						
Fetes, bazaars, other fund raising events	8,841				8,841	6,270
Church hall lettings, etc.	12,133				12,133	10,889
	<u>20,973</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>20,973</u>	<u>17,159</u>
2c Income from Church Activities						
Magazine	235				235	1,177
Sub Group income					-	173
Fees	37,280				37,280	29,793
	<u>37,515</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>37,515</u>	<u>31,143</u>
2d Income from Investments						
Dividends and interest		1,469			1,469	690
	<u>-</u>	<u>1,469</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,469</u>	<u>690</u>
2e Other Incoming Resources						
Miscellaneous income					-	-
HMRC CJRS Furlough Grants					-	-
CBDF Energy grant					-	986
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>986</u>
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	<u>126,364</u>	<u>2,941</u>	<u>809</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>130,114</u>	<u>104,179</u>

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3 RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS 2023	TOTAL FUNDS 2022
3n Grants						
Missionary and charitable giving						
Home missions and other church societies	633				633	286
	633	-	-	-	633	286
3b Church Activities						
Ministry: Diocesan Parish Share	81,351				81,351	69,667
Clergy expenses	934				934	512
Visiting clergy					-	162
Church maintenance and running expenses	14,527		959		15,486	11,802
Upkeep of churchyard	-		1,555		1,555	1,057
Parish magazine costs		394			394	505
Sub group costs					-	114
Church hall running costs	7,144				7,144	5,805
Salaries, Wages and Honoraria	10,187				10,187	4,824
Cost of services	3,637				3,637	2,945
Costs of fees	9,307				9,307	12,374
Vicarage (less donations to "Vicarage Fund")	3,827				3,827	2,446
	130,913	394	2,514	-	133,821	112,212
3c Costs of Generating Funds						
Costs of fetes and other fund-raising					-	-
Weekly giving envelopes					-	141
Flower fund	645				645	660
	645	-	-	-	645	801
3d Costs of Governance and Support						
Office Equipment, Consumables & Maintenance	4,018				4,018	4,448
Bank charges and loan interest					-	-
Independent Examiner	1,038				1,038	990
Deanery subscription					-	70
	5,056	-	-	-	5,056	5,508
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED	137,247	394	2,514	-	140,155	118,807

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	2023	2022
	£	£
4 STAFF COSTS		
Salaries	10,187	4,528
Income tax		-
Average number of employees	1	1
No employees received total employee benefits of more than £60,000		

5 FIXED ASSETS

Tangible fixed assets	Freehold land and buildings	Fixtures and fittings	Total
	£	£	£
Cost at 1 Jan 2023	378,798	-	378,798
Additions at cost	-	-	-
Disposal	-	-	-
Cost at 31 Dec 2023	378,798	-	378,798
Depreciation at 1 Jan 2023	-	-	-
Charge for year	-	-	-
Depreciation on disposals	-	-	-
Depreciation at 31 December 2023	-	-	-
Net book value at 31 Dec 2023	378,798	-	378,798
Net book value at 31 Dec 2022	378,798	-	378,798

6 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	TOTAL FUNDS 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets	378,798	-	-	-	378,798
Current assets	19,149	31,645	10,739	-	61,533
Current liabilities	-	4,262	-	-	4,262
	393,685	31,645	10,739	-	436,070

Designated Funds represent the funds set aside by the PCC for the purposes of:

	At 1st Jan	Income	Expenditure	Net
a Reserve funds (invested)	44,933	1,778	20,394	26,317
b General Maintenance fund (invested)	2,636	84	-	2,720
c Funds held by the church's sub-groups.	1,530	121,315	119,761	3,083
	49,099			21,382

Restricted Funds represent the funds set aside by the PCC for the purposes of:

	At 1st Jan	Income	Expenditure	Net
a Church Projects fund (donated for non-revenue items)	8,861		959	7,902
b Donations towards essential dome repairs	699			699
c Churchyard maintenance fund	1,184	809	1,555	438
d Fabric Fund (as (a) above)	1,700			1,700
	12,444	809	2,514	10,739

Funds (a) and (d) have been donated by Church families with specific instructions.

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7 DEBTORS	2023	2022
	£	£
Income tax recoverable	9,622.69	9,386.81
Service fee reclaims (Interregnum)	945.00	314
Other debtors (hall rent owing & prepay adjustment)	456	184
Council tax owed for Oct - Dec occupancy	550	510
Prepayments (Insurance premiums payable in advance)	7,100	6,870
	<u>18,674</u>	<u>17,264</u>

8 LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN 1 YEAR:	2023	2021
	£	£
Church running costs (gas & electricity)	2,169	1,379
Hall running costs (gas & electricity)	482	362
Assigned fees owing	400	-
Admin costs (accountant, copier, gas & electricity)	1,211	1,600
	<u>4,262</u>	<u>3,341</u>

9 TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS / FUND CLOSURES	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds
	£	£	£	£
Payments from Magazine Account to PCC general account	-	-	-	-
Closure of Parent & Toddler Account	-	-	-	-
Closure of Social Account	-	-	-	-
Transfer of funds from CBF deposit to main fund	20,000	20,000	-	-
	<u>20,000</u>	<u>20,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

(A transfer from a designated Church Group fund to the general fund represents an amount donated by the individual group to the Church for the purpose of general use)

10 INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

The Independent Examiner's fee was £1,038.

11 RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related third party transactions during this year.